**IN MEMORIAM**

I regret to inform you that Bob Cassel Sr passed away on Monday February 14th with his family by his side. Please keep Joyce and the family in prayer. Joyce asked me to share his funeral information. On Friday Feb. 25th at Richardson Funeral Home, 29 South Enola Drive, Enola 17025 there will be Visitation from 10 am -12 pm with the Service to follow at 12 pm. Thank you for all your prayers during Bob’s illness and during these difficult days. Joyce and the family appreciate them. They are feeling the love and it is giving them strength.

**DCC BLOOD DRIVE**

Duncannon Council Of Churches

Community Blood Drive

*Saturday, February 26th*

8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Held at: Otterbein UMC

327 Newport Rd., Duncannon, PA 17020

Call To Donate: 1-800-771-0059

Appointments are suggested but not required.

Masks & a form of ID are required to Donate!

**PREPARING FOR LENT**

This year, Lent takes place from Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, to Maundy Thursday, April 14, 2022, while Easter takes place on Sunday, April 17th. Paula Beaston has a Lenten Candle Lighting Liturgy. **She is looking for Lenten Readers for the 6 Sundays in Lent.**  If you are able to participate in our Lenten Worship, **please contact Paula.**

\*MISSION COMMITTEE COLLECTING FOR PERRY COUNTY SCHOOLS

The 4 Perry County Schools had significant needs. So, we are collecting the following items. This will be an ongoing outreach. There will be a bin labeled in the Narthex. Needed Items: Men's & Women's Underwear (Must be new), Boys and Girls Underwear (Must be new), Socks for all ages (Must be clean & no holes), Feminine Products, Personal Care Items: Soap, Deodorant, Shampoo, Toothbrushes (Must be new) and Toothpaste, And Neutral Color Sweatpants: Men's, Women's, Children (Must be clean & no holes)

**WOMEN COLLECTING**

Paula Beaston and the Women’s Ministry are collecting sanitary napkins and pads for Downtown Daily Bread, a homeless service in Harrisburg. Please place items in the Pink waste basket by the water fountain.

THE MISSION COMMITTEE – WHO & WHY

The following make up this committee: Angella Lochstampfor (Committee Chair), Linda Pipp, Sandy Graeff, Sharon Graham and Barb Perkins. Some of the children asked a few weeks ago what the bucket brigade money was used for, so I figured others may have the same question. The money comes from our Mission Envelopes, private donations and the Bucket Brigade. Where does our Mission monies go? Here is the breakdown:

Currently:

* Organizing a donation drive to assist the needs of students at the 4 Perry County School Districts. \*See article on this insert. This will be ongoing.

Monthly:

* Donations to Neighbor Helping Neighbor Food Bank plus extra donations at Easter and Christmas.

Quarterly:

* Nekoda Unlimited

Yearly:

* Our Daily Bread Booklets
* Perry County Human Services
* Ambulances and Fire Companies of Duncannon, New Bloomfield and Newport
* Teen Challenge
* Summer program food distribution
* Perry County Homeless Shelter
* Appreciation Basket to the State Police

**CHURCH SIGN – 2 Corinthians 5:7**

*For We Walk By Faith Not By Sight*

**SING INSTEAD OF SORROWING**

In 1932 an out of work jazz musician, Thomas Dorsey, almost gave up trying to eke out a living. He was on the brink of disbelief, but God’s still small voice called him back to life. Dorsey decided he would sing instead of sorrowing, he would love instead of hate, he would trust instead of disbelieve. His hymn sings:

 Precious Lord Take my hand Lead me on, let me stand

 I am tired, I am weak, I am worn, through the storm,

 Through the night lead me on to the light;

 Take my hand precious Lord, Lead me home.

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