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Please notify us of changes of e-mail address.

Thank You for receiving our Newsletter via E-Mail.

It is a wonderful donation of postage, office supplies and volunteer time.

COME TO OUR ANNUAL ASSEMBLY*

Our 69th Annual Assembly of the United Churches will be held Thursday, November 19 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1101 Washington Boulevard, Williamsport. The church is moderately handicapped accessible and their parking lot is a half block up Sherman Street. Registration begins at 5:45 P.M., with the dinner at 6:30 P.M. The evening will include:

- ★ Presentation of an Ecumenical Service Award.
- ★ Election of officers and new board members.
- ★ Adoption of the 2016 Budget.
- ★ Celebration of the Ministry We Do Together.
- ★ Conversation of the Evening: Refugees with Roberta Updegraff, a freelance writer for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance who is currently covering this overwhelming human disaster worldwide.

Attending from each member congregation should be three delegates, the pastor and two lay persons. *We encourage other interested persons to be present as non-voting representatives of your congregations.*

The menu is turkey with all the trimmings. Pastors will receive information via e-mail. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED *

Regina Gross, President - 570-322-2619

World Community Day will be celebrated on Friday, November 6, at 1:30 p.m. when women from throughout Lycoming County will gather at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 1971 Lycoming Creek Road, Williamsport. The theme is "Our Journey Together". This will be a time of praise and worship that demonstrates Christ's reconciling love to the community, the country, and the world. President, Regina Gross invites you to join in this inspirational service and time of fellowship.

Christmas stocking bags will be collected at this service along with the \$3 donations to fill each stocking bag with a pen, notebook, hand cream. Emery board, tissues, comb and Christmas card. We also prepare 50 bags for children who visit their mothers at the State Correctional Institution at Muncy. Checks should be made out to Church Women United of Lycoming County. These stockings will be assembled Monday, Nov. 16th beginning at 9 a.m. at Pine Street UMC, 441 Pine Street, Williamsport, (free parking signs will be available in the church). Women are welcome to help assemble and package the 1200+ stocking bags for distribution.



Follow us and others at "United Churches of Lycoming County"
& "Walking With God in Lycoming County"



UNITED CHURCHES FOOD PANTRY **foodpantry@ucl.org* or 570-322-1627

Gail Burkhardt, our faithful pantry coordinator, passed away on Friday, October 9, 2015 at the Penn State Hershey Medical Center, in Hershey, PA. She was transferred there Thursday evening after collapsing at her home earlier that day.

As a reader of this column you know a number of things about Gail, even if you never actually met her. You know...

- ▶ she worried about every client having the food they needed so they didn't have to worry so much about how they would feed themselves and their families.
- ▶ she was amazed and humbled by your generosity. The foods and funds you donate to keep the pantry in operation, your willingness to pitch in when needed.
- ▶ she knew we were blessed to have the best volunteers ever; hardworking, caring, dependable...
- ▶ she had a strong faith that helped her tackle the impossible, knowing that nothing is impossible with God. And she knew connections we have through prayer is the link that allows us to provide food for hundreds each month.



The pantry continues to be open, and right now some of the food items that we are in need of are...

oodles of noodles	chunky soups	peanut butter
tuna fish	powdered drink mix (ie: kool aid)	
canned veggies	jelly	saltine crackers
canned fruits	pastas	mac-n-cheese
Powdered creamer	cake mix	frosting
pork-n-beans	tea bags	instant coffee

Your support is greatly appreciated. You are always in our prayers and we request that you remember us in your prayers as well. Have a good month. Don't forget that our Pantry is now at the Rear of 320 Park Avenue. The hours are Mondays 9:30 - Noon for donations and Tuesdays and Thursdays 10-3 for clients services. Please keep the search for a new pantry coordinator in your prayers, and anyone interested in the position should contact Gwen at United Churches.

Reminders from Last Month's Newsletter

- Planning for Music Ministry Workshop - Saturday, October 24, 9-4:30 (570-412-5949)
- Lord, Let Our Eyes Be Opened: Breaking the Chains of Mass Incarceration - October 23-26 Pa Council of Churches - (717-545-4761)
- Better Together Walk to Prevent Suicide and Support Survivors - Sunday, October 18 1 p.m. Indian Park Pavilion 5 (570-974-3958)

POVERTY: A FAITH-BASED RESPONSE **from our Christian Social Concerns Committee*

But when you give a reception, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind (Luke 14:13). Today the United Nations is inviting us to join with others throughout the world to eradicate poverty.

United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

At the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit on September 25, 2015, world leaders adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which includes a set of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to end poverty, fight inequality and injustice, and tackle climate change by 2030. Goal #1 is No Poverty. Goal #2 is No Hunger.

U.N. SDG #1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere:

Eradicating poverty in all its forms remains one of the greatest challenges facing humanity. While the number of people living in extreme poverty has dropped by more than half – from 1.9 billion in 1990, to 836 million in 2015 – too many are still struggling for the most basic human needs.

Globally, more than 800 million people are still living on less than \$1.25 a day; many lacking access to adequate food, clean drinking water and sanitation. Rapid economic growth in countries like China and India has lifted millions out of poverty, but progress has been uneven. Women are disproportionately more likely to live in poverty than men due to unequal access to paid work, education and property.

Progress has also been limited in other regions, such as South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa, which account for 80 percent of the global total of those living in extreme poverty. This rate is expected to rise due to new threats brought on by climate change, conflict and food insecurity.

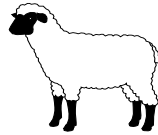
The SDGs are a bold commitment to finish what we started, and end poverty in all forms and dimensions by 2030. This involves targeting those living in vulnerable situations, increasing access to basic resources and services, and supporting communities affected by conflict and climate-related disasters.

Source: www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/mdgoverview/post-2015-development-agenda/goal-1/

Wills Seminar: Warrensville UM Charge is hosting a free Wills Seminar on Thursday, October 22 at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. The Rev. Phillis Bowers, Exec. Dir. of the United Methodist Stewardship Foundation will speak. Topics include planning your will, living will and durable power of attorney for health care. Attendees will receive the book "Provide and Protect" compliments of the United Methodist Stewardship Foundation. Register today by calling 570-435-5831.

SHEPHERD OF THE STREETS*

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THE PRIVATION OF LOVE

The full orbed love (*agape*) of God is love given, love received, and love returned. No gift of love, no act of love, no assurance of love is, in and of itself, the full measure of love. God's love for the human race is made evident by the sacrifice of His Son on the cross. But, if we refuse to accept and admit to the love of God, it avails nothing. If, on the other hand, we accept the gift of God's love selfishly with no intention of reciprocity...to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, then it does not achieve its purpose.

Love must be the cause and purpose of any and every real gift. Pure and unadulterated love must be the incentive for any act or speech. Such love is a totally spiritual thing, not motivated by psychological need or selfish desire, but is the actual love of God, freely given by His grace to all who will accept it. It is the overshadow of the Holy Spirit that conceives holiness in our heart...it is the mystery of Christ in us, our own hope of glory.

This love is beyond sensual and emotional passion aroused by infatuation (*philos*). It is the love that pre-exists the discovery of a soul-mate. This love is the foundation of parental love that establishes itself in affection of fathers and mothers for each other and that demonstrates God's passion for their children. It is the love that endures beyond abuse or rejection of it and devotes itself to restitution. It is indestructible for it is an attribute of God (example: the father of the prodigal son). It is the love that is indifferent to the loved and is not established on the attractions of the soul. When attraction and affinity captivate a person's soul, this godly love validates and empowers the devotion to be truly built on a firm foundation. Often, the love of God is discovered after marriage, yet it has the power to solidify the relationship for life.

If eroticism or psychological need compels the emotions, causing selfish compulsions, such relationship is not love, even in the human sense, but selfishness that will sooner or later cause its own demise. Sex alone does not "make love", but the intercourse of marital love fills and secures the relationship in the embrace of God. Children conceived in loveless sensuality are usually unloved and feared. Such fear establishes parental inadequacy and causes verbal and even physical abuse. This loveless fear is the root of rejection that can consciously or subconsciously abort the child from acceptance, both in life or, sadly, by death.

If the child is conceived with the love of God from the oneness of flesh and bone, of mind and passion, that child is

accepted as the result of the mystery of God's making...the participation in the corroboration of life that God gifted to our original parents (Adam and Eve), and the child is celebrated as a gift from God...loved. Marital cohabitation is a full-orbed instance of love: love given, love received, and love returned. And the way love is returned to God is by loving...all, always, without regard to state or status.

A great and growing poverty in America is the ignorance of love, the rejection of matrimony, the disintegration of family, and the poverty of parentage. At Shepherd of the Streets we have opportunity to speak to this every day...to draw others to the love of God for them, for their life, indifferent to the mess that life has cultivated.

CLASSIFIEDS:

Hymnals Available free to a good home: The Celebration Hymnal © 1997 (*117 are available*). Call New Covenant United Church of Christ, 570-326-3308.

Music Books available free to a good home:
 • A set of 27 songbooks along with accompaniment CD for the cantata, "A Christmas Offering," by Marty Parks.
 • Four (4) WOW songbooks (one green, one blue and two orange.)


Contact Ann Judd, Dir. of Worship Arts at Fairlawn Community Church at annjfcc@gmail.com or 570.494.0414

Bell Choir and Chimes Director position open. Contact the Church Office at New Covenant United Church of Christ, 570-326-3308.

Volunteers needed at Firetree Place: Share your skills, mentor youth, and make a difference. Become a Program Partner or help in the After School Club as a tutor or in meal preparation. Contact them at 600 Campbell St, Wmspt. or 570-360-9946.

DIAL - A - DEVOTION *

Have you called yet?
 The number is 570-322-5762.
 It's available 24 hours a day.



Devotions are three minutes or less, change weekdays and once on the weekend, and are designed to lift your spirits and help you to have "A Closer Walk with God." The devotionalists this fall include:

10/11-18 Mrs. Tammy Aichner	10/19-25 Rev. Ken Wagner-Pizza
10/26-11/1 Pastor Dorothy Anderson	11/2-8 Pastors Jim/ Kathy Behrens
11/9-15 Rev. Danesta Whaley	11/16-22 Fr. Mrs Sandy Grier

Listen today and tell others about this ministry!

GOLF TOURNAMENT REFLECTIONS*

Rev. Ken Weiss, Chairman

A huge thank you goes out to so many as our 5th Annual Golf Tournament has successfully come and gone. This was once again, our best year ever. We just get better each year. We had 28 foursomes (116 golfers) and more sponsors than ever. Our list of raffle items was



huge and we sold more tickets than ever before. Each golfer received a free insulated travel mug, a number of other free gifts, a great door prize, enjoyed the perfect weather with their round of golf and cart. All that plus

free hot dogs, snacks, drinks, breakfast items, & buffet luncheon. Certainly the best deal in town for their \$80 entrance fee. Most every golfer shared with us that our tournament is simply the best one they play in the entire year and we promise to keep that going in 2016.



While all the money is not yet in from our tournament it looks like we made a profit of over \$10,000 again. We had over 100 sponsors continuing to support us in so many ways. We have turned into one of the largest and I think the best tournament because so many in our community agree that United Churches is a worthwhile organization that needs to continue. I am amazed at the wonderful comments we get, we really do make a difference in our community.



So thanks to the committee that worked so hard and now has two months off before beginning the process for 2016 Thanks to all of you for continuing to support United Churches through our golf event. Mark your calendars now for 2016, the fourth Friday in September... 9/23/16. We'll do our best to make this a fun day that brings in a lot of needed financial support for all our ministries at UCLC.

Congratulations to the New Love Center, Jersey Shore, as they celebrates their first birthday October 1st. Today, three locations house and host this ministry. Trinity United Methodist hosts the weekday lunch Café; St. John Lutheran Church hosts the bimonthly Food Distribution and Emergency Food Pantry; and Grace Lutheran Church hosts the clothes closet and serves as the gathering place for the Christmas Gift project. As they grow into their second year through the Jersey Shore Ministerium, is planning a celebration of care in Christ's name!



Tammey Aichner, Coordinator, ucm@uclc.org

September was a busy month!!! We participated in Fall Fusion, on campus. This is an opportunity for students to present their organizations, a student fair of sorts. There was a nice turnout. Thank you to New Covenant United Church of Christ for letting us come to speak about United Campus Ministry and what we are about.

We enjoyed providing a worship service at Valley View this fall. The students especially loved connecting with the residents while taking them back to their rooms.

Our Monday evening bible study pastors for the month were Pastor Owen White, Pastor Tim Hartzell and Mr. Joe Smith. I am amazed at the outpouring of community support we have. October doesn't look like it is slowing down.

WEDNESDAY ECUMENICAL LUNCHES*

Join us Wednesdays for lunch and a interesting program! The lunch line opens about 11:45 a.m. and you are always assured of a tasty \$6 lunch, warm ecumenical fellowship and a thoughtful program designed to enrich your life mentally, physically, spiritually and socially. The parking is free in the Pine Street lot north of the church from 11 to 1:30. No reservations are necessary, but a call to Gwen at the United Churches Office 570-322-1110 if you are not a regular attender will help the caterer know how to prepare.



OCTOBER:

- 14- **Rev. Ronald Shellhamer**, Lutheran Assoc. of Missionaries and Pilots (LAMP), "*Ministry to the Aboriginal People of Northern Canada (The Cree First Nation)*"
- 21- **Mr. Kyle Murphy**, Manager, Lycoming County Transportation Museum, "*Rivers. Rails and Roads*"
- 28- **Mrs. Patty Gohrs and Rev. Gwen Bernstine**, United Churches of Lycoming County, "*Pumpkin Blessings*"

NOVEMBER:

- 4- **Ms. Melissa Farenish**, Community Health Navigator, AmeriHealth Caritas NE, "*Pills, Pills and More Pills*"
- 11- **Ms. Tonya Anderson**, Life Therapist, An Exquisite Life, "*For the Love of Veterans*"
- 18- **Ms. Henrietta Hadley**, Executive Dir., Firetree Place, "*Strengthening Youth, Families & Community*"
- 25- **Mr. James Foran**, Director of Religious Education, St. Joseph the Worker Parish, "*How To Celebrate Thanksgiving Canadian Style*"

Join the Converstion: On Wednesday, October 28th, the Beloved Community Council and the First Presbyterian Church of Williamsport, will collaborate in hosting a discussion regarding the issues of crime, race and the challenges of the current hip-hop generation of youth. Professor Ralph Godbolt will lecture at the Pennsylvania College of Technology on Tuesday, October 27 and will then participate in an open forum community discussion at the First Presbyterian Church, Third and Mulberry Streets, from 5:30 - 7:30 on Wednesday.

It will be a conversation about the impact of the post-industrial cultural revolution, historical racial disparities and the role of the underground economy on today's youth. Join the conversation on the challenges facing our youth. Topics will include institutionalized racism, the lack of jobs, the lure of the illegal drug trade, the probability of incarceration and the deadly violence on our streets. A poster and more information is available at www.bcc-web.org/blog/.

Walk through the CHURCH HOUSE that depicts the rooms of our hearts, as described in the book *MY HEART - CHRIST'S HOME* by Robert Boyd Munger. Tours of the Church House begin at 6:30 Friday, October 16th at Fairlawn Community Church, 353 Pleasant Hill Road, Cogan Station. This event is free and open to the public. Fellowship and refreshments follow. Call 570-916-3943 for details.

Life Hacks – Life Skills for Teens series has just begun at the JVBrown Library. The program, geared for teens age 14 and older in grades 8-12, to teach everyday “life hacks” skills necessary to become responsible, productive, confident and self-sufficient adults. The second program, “Feed Yourself,” is scheduled for [6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10](#), and will focus on how to plan, shop and prepare healthy meals. It will be presented by Christine Kavanagh, a registered dietitian and certified nurse practitioner. Kavanagh is a nursing instructor at Pennsylvania College of Technology and is the nutritionist for Williamsport Area School District. She has more than 25 years of nursing and nutrition experience. Additional programs will focus on skills such as learning basic sewing skills such as mending, hemming and sewing buttons, and upcycling discarded or damaged items; job-related skills such as interviewing, public speaking and dressing appropriately; and personal skills such as basic first aid, time management and basic vehicle maintenance. The Life Hacks programs will be presented [from 6-7:30 p.m.](#) on the second Tuesday of each month in the Teen Area on the second floor of the Welch Family Wing and will include a snack and craft to accompany each life hack. Registration is required and may be made at calendar.jvbrown.edu or by calling [570-326-0536](tel:570-326-0536).

CREATION CORNER

The Christian Social Concerns Committee

Divestment, Eco-shopping, Slogans, New Words, Green Exercise & Mall Walking, Carbon Footprint Calculators

Online Campaign: Divestment from fossil fuels in the 200 publicly traded companies that hold the majority of coal, oil and gas reserves. Meant for universities, religious institutions, local governments, etc. www.Gofossil-free.org 700 divestment campaigns worldwide.

Shopping For a Better World: 1000 companies that give back 1% of their sales to nonprofits dedicated to protecting our environment: www.onepercentfortheplanet.org.

Slogans: Divestment is the tactic, climate justice is the goal. To reduce fossil fuel use "Keep the coal in the hole, the gas beneath the grass, and the oil below the soil."

New Words/Definitions: Anthropocene: suggests that the Earth has left its natural geological epoch, the present interglacial state called the Holocene. Human activities have become so pervasive and profound that they rival the great forces of Nature and are pushing the Earth into planetary terra incognita. The Earth is rapidly moving into a less biologically diverse, less forested, much warmer, and probably wetter and stormier state.

Hockey stick-shaped trajectories, popularized by Prof. Michael Mann at Penn State Univ., as seen on graphs, (see example below) depict accelerations, such as for earth system trends of carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide, methane, stratospheric ozone, surface temperature, ocean acidification, marine fish capture, shrimp aquaculture, coastal nitrogen, tropical forest loss, domesticated land, terrestrial biosphere degradation. For socio-economic trends, the hockey stick shape occurs for world population, real GDP, foreign direct investment, urban population, primary energy use, fertilizer consumption, large dams, water use, paper production, transportation, telecommunications, international tourism.



Green Exercise versus Mall Walking: While walking in nature has been shown to be especially restorative, helping reduce stress and lowering heart rate and blood pressure, more so than city walking, many people choose to seek out malls for a walking regimen, as they also provide many advantages. See <http://www.cdc.gov/physical-activity/downloads/mallwalking-guide.pdf>

Carbon Footprint Calculators: Carbon footprints express the amount of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions as carbon dioxide equivalents. Such gases contribute to climate change, with global agriculture and food production accounting for 25 to 30 percent of the emissions. Other

variables, besides your food consumption, include how you heat your home, how much electricity and gasoline you use, how often you fly, and how you handle your garbage. To check out your carbon footprint, see such calculators at:

<http://www3.epa.gov/carbon-footprint-calculator>

Note: This column began in October 1997, and is thus starting its 19th year. It was "adopted" as a blog by LutheransRestoringCreation in March of 2011.

YOKEFELLOW PRISON MINISTRY (YPM)

By Rev. Danesta (Nessie) Whaley: 570-326-6868

BRINGING REFRESHMENT 

The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25

Beloved Ones, as we are in a NEW season of the turning of leaves, changing of weather and many other wonderful things, remember this too can be a time of refreshing as you look forward to the future. The Lord provides rest and refreshment for His children. While we ourselves receive from His hand, let us also remember many others and help to provide refreshment for those we come in contact with.

We are thankful for each of you who continually refresh us in this ministry. Recently we held our annual Yokefellowship conference at Best Western/Country Cupboard. Truly, it was a wonderful time of re-connection with some and joining with our local team of Yokefellow volunteers and outside supporters who came to join with us. Our dynamic speakers came to bring to us instruction, inspiration and much refreshment. One ex-inmate (we are now referring to them as ‘returning citizens’), Bret, shared his personal testimony of coming to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ after being incarcerated for 33 years. What an amazing testimony of what Our Lord can do with one surrendered life to Him. Bret now has such a positive influence in many spheres as He gives all the glory to the Lord and His servants for a changed life. Another story from Terri Roberts, our keynote speaker Friday night, of the power of forgiveness as her son, Charles Carl had taken the lives of 10 Amish girls in 2007. She spoke of the love and grace the entire community showed her family...now they are giving back to many. Terri’s book “Forgiven” is now out on the market since October 6.

Another speaker, Harold Dean Trulear, had such an impact on all of us as he shared about his ministry, “Healing Communities” and how churches/individuals can become involved in helping the ‘returning citizens’ and become a “Station of Hope”. He spoke much on re-entry back into society and how we as the Christian community can be involved

from ‘arrest to re-entry’ to the many state prisoners (95%) who will be returning into society. You will be hearing more on this vital topic in the near future as we seek to connect more with you so that TOGETHER we can make a difference in our local community and help to refresh others. Please keep us in your prayers. Contact: Yokefellowship Prison Ministry, 1200 Almond St, Williamsport, PA 17701.

MASS CHOIR EVENT AGAIN IN MAY*

The Music Ministry of Faxon Kenmar United Methodist Church invites you to be part of a Festival Choir on Sunday, May 1st at 2 p.m. Responsibilities include:

- Purchasing your copies of the music for the concert.
- Attending 4 Sunday afternoon rehearsals and the dress rehearsal on Saturday, April 30th at 10 a.m. with a luncheon following.
- Learning your part prior to the large rehearsals, or coming to Faxon Kenmar’s choir rehearsals on Thursdays at 7 p.m. for additional rehearsal time.

To register and obtain more information send the following information and a \$20 check to cover the cost of the music made payable to Faxon Kenmar UMC (memo line Faxon Festival Choir) by 11/25/15 to:

David Koskey, Director of Music Ministry
Faxon Kenmar United Methodist Church
1301 Clayton Avenue
Williamsport PA 17701

Name.....
Address.....
Home Phone.....
Cell Phone.....
Email Address.....

Vocal Part - Soprano 1 Soprano 2 Alto 1 Alto 2
Tenor 1 Tenor 2 Base 1 Base 2

Do you sing in a church choir Yes No (not required)

Name of Church.....
If you have questions contact the church at 570-323-7272 or David Koskey H-570-322-8562 or Cell-570-220-2621.

This concert will be the concluding concert in this years NEW Church Concert Series of four Free Sunday afternoon concerts at 2 p.m. that have been held this year at Faxon Kenmar. The next concerts in the series are:

- November 15: Ryan Workman, Tenor Solist
- March 20: Spencer and the T-Bones, Instrumental Ensemble
- April 17: Tim Schram, Organist
- May 1: Faxon Festival Choir (Second Annual)

WHAT TO DO WHEN PERSONS NEED HELP

NEEDS	AGENCIES (Revised October 12, 2015)	PHONE
<p>1. When persons need a free <i>hot meal</i>....</p>	<p>A. <u>St. Anthony Center</u>, 125 E Willow St., Wmspt., Noon - 1 Monday - Friday</p> <p>B. <u>The New Love Center at Trinity United Methodist Church</u>, 1407 Allegheny St, Jersey Shore, 11-12:30, M-F</p> <p>C. <u>Sojourner Truth Ministries</u>, 501 High St. (side entrance), Wmspt., Hot Meal Light Breakfast & Hot Lunch: Mon. - Sat. 8:30 a.m.- 1 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Fruit & Vegetables available Tues, Day old Bread/Pastry available Wed.-Fri.</p> <p>D. <u>Antioch Baptist Church</u>, 514 High St. - side entrance - Williamsport Breakfast 8:00-9:30 a.m. Lunch: Noon - 12:45 p.m. Weekdays</p> <p>E. <u>Senior Center Lunches</u> six sites throughout county for people over 60</p> <p>F. <u>Christ Episcopal Church</u>, 426 Mulberry St. Wmspt. 1st Saturday evening each month 4-7 p.m. Delivery available (call ahead)</p> <p>G. <u>West End CCC</u>, 901 Diamond St., Wmspt. 11-12:30, M., T., Th., F.</p> <p>H. <u>Golden Agers Club</u>, Salvation Army, 457 Market St, T, Th, 9-12</p> <p>I. <u>Senior Lunch</u>, Montoursville Presbyterian, 900 Elm St, 3rd Fridays at Noon</p>	<p>570-326-2244</p> <p>570-220-7261</p> <p>570-323-1797</p> <p>570-323-2425</p> <p>570-323-3096</p> <p>570-322-8160</p> <p>570-323-6297</p> <p>570-326-9187</p> <p>570-368-1595</p>
<p>2. When persons need supplies of additional <i>food</i>.....</p> <p>No appointments needed unless noted.</p>	<p>A. <u>United Churches Food Pantry</u>, Rear 320 Park Ave (the Castellano Ctr.) Wmspt. 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. (by appointment)</p> <p>B. <u>Salvation Army</u>, 457 Market Street, Williamsport 9:30 -11:30 a.m. and 1:00-2:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday</p> <p>C. <u>American Rescue Workers</u>, 643 Elmira St, Wmspt. M-Th 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.</p> <p>D. <u>St. John Lutheran Church</u>, 220 S. Broad St., Jersey Shore, 9-Noon 3rd Fridays</p> <p>E. <u>Sonlight House</u>, 130 Carpenter Street, Muncy 7:30 -10 a.m. Monday, Thursday and Saturdays every other week</p> <p>G. <u>WIC Program</u> 612 W. 4th St, Wmspt. M-F, 8-4 Appointment only. No emergencies (For pregnant, postpartum & breast feeding women, and for children up to age 5.</p> <p>H. <u>Antioch Baptist Church Pantry</u>, 514 High St., Wmspt, M-F 10-12(call ahead)</p> <p>I. <u>West End Food Bank</u>, 911 Newberry St, Wmspt, Call 1st (Incl. Linden/Dubois town, Cogan Station, Ralston etc.) 12:30-3:30 p.m. the 1st 4 Thursdays each month.</p> <p>J. <u>Meals on Wheels</u>, Office of the Aging, 2138 Lincoln St., Wmspt. Weekdays 9:00 a.m.-5 p.m. (Assessments needed - must be homebound and 60+)</p> <p>K. <u>Footprints Food Pantry</u>, Bower Street Ext, Montgomery, 2nd Tues, 3-6 pm</p> <p>L. <u>St. Joseph the Worker Parish</u>, 711 West Edwin St., Wmspt. Wed. 4-5 pm.</p> <p>M. <u>Lycoming Cty Assistance Office</u>, 400 Little League Blvd, Wmspt. Food Stamps</p>	<p>570-322-1657</p> <p>570-326-9187</p> <p>570-323-8401</p> <p>570-220-7261</p> <p>570-546-3585</p> <p>570-322-7656</p> <p>570-323-6297</p> <p>570-323-3096</p> <p>570-995-1391</p> <p>570-323-9456</p> <p>570-327-3300</p>
<p>3. When persons are <i>homeless</i>...</p>	<p>A. <u>American Rescue Worker's Men's Shelter</u> 643 Elmira Street, Wmspt., 9-4</p> <p>B. <u>YWCA</u> (single women only) - 815 W 4th St., Wmspt.</p> <p>C. <u>Liberty House</u> (women and children) 815 W 4th St. Wmspt</p> <p>D. <u>Family Promise</u> (For Families) 635 Hepburn St, Wmspt (Office/Day Ctr M-F, 9-5)</p> <p>E. <u>Saving Grace Homeless Shelter</u>: 324 Campbell St, Wmspt. referral is needed from the American Rescue Workers or Salvation Army</p> <p>F. <u>Freedom House Women's Center</u>, 1700 Memorial Ave., Wmspt. (Single women)</p>	<p>570-323-8401</p> <p>570-322-4637</p> <p>570-322-4637</p> <p>570-567-7103</p> <p>570-323-8401</p> <p>570-772-0543</p>
<p>4. When persons need <i>rent</i>... (all limited)</p>	<p>A. <u>American Rescue Workers</u> Fridays 9-4 (families a priority) By Appointment</p> <p>B. <u>Dept. Of Welfare</u> Emergency Housing Funds 8-5 Weekdays 400 Little League Boulevard, Wmspt.</p> <p>C. <u>Salvation Army</u> - 457 Market St. Rent - Mortgage - Mentoring</p> <p>D. <u>Consumer Credit Counseling</u>...see contact info in 19-O</p>	<p>570-323-8401</p> <p>570-327-3300</p> <p>877-867-4014</p> <p>570-326-9187</p> <p>See 19-O.</p>

5. When persons need jobs or Employment Skills and Services...	<p>A. <u>Career Link Lycoming and Vetrans Services</u>, 329 Pine St. Wmspt. M,T,W. 8:30-4:30, Th. 8-4:30 F. 9-4:30</p> <p>B. <u>Counseling/Career Disability Svcs</u> Penn College, 1 College Ave., Wmspt. 8-4:30 M-F</p> <p>C. <u>Office of Vocational Rehabilitation</u> (for eligible persons with disabilities) 208 West Third St. - Suite 102 8 am. - 4:30 p.m. Weekdays</p> <p>E. <u>Experience Works</u>, 329 Pine St. (For persons 55+) M-Th. 8-3:30</p>	<p>570-601-5465</p> <p>570-327-4765</p> <p>570-327-3600</p> <p>570-321-5811</p>
6. When Veterans need assistance	<p>A. <u>The Vet Center</u> (benefits, counseling, therapy, housing, meds,) 49 E 4th St. #104 Weekdays 8-4:30 (Employment requests are referred to Career Link see 13A.)</p> <p>B. <u>V A Medical Clinic</u> - Wenner Bld, 1705 Warren Ave Suite 304, M-F. 8-4:30</p> <p>C. <u>Lycoming County Veterans Affairs</u>, 330 Pine St, Wmspt.</p> <p>D. <u>American Legion Post #1</u>, 10 E 3rd St.</p>	<p>570-327-5281</p> <p>570-322-4791</p> <p>570-327-2365</p> <p>570-323-9409</p>
7. When persons need clothing...	<p>A. <u>American Rescue Workers Thrift Store</u>, 141 S. Main St, JS 9-5 M-F, 9-4 Sat</p> <p>B. <u>American Rescue Workers Thrift Store</u>, 335 Rose St., Williamsport (no vouchers) 9 am - 6 p.m. Monday.-Friday., 9am - 4pm Sat. (Items have a minimal cost)</p> <p>C. <u>American Rescue Workers Thrift Store</u>, 643 Elmira Street, Williamsport. Weekdays 9am -5pm , Sat 9 am-4pm (Items have a minimal cost)</p> <p>D. <u>Sonlight House</u> 130 Carpenter St., Muncy, M, Th, Sat 7:30 - 10</p> <p>E. <u>From Our Hands to Yours</u>, For Kids & Adults, 501 High St. Wmspt. 10-2 M-T-W</p> <p>F. <u>Salvation Army Store</u>, 1445 Dewey Ave, Wmspt. Mon.- Sat.. 9:30 - 4:30, and 530 Lyc. Mall Drive, Pennsdale M-F 9-6, Sat 9-5</p> <p>G. <u>Daniel's Closet</u>, Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1101 Washington Blvd, Wmspt. Free Clothing for Children and Adults. 9-11 a.m. 4th Saturdays monthly</p> <p>H. <u>West End Christian Community Center</u>, 901 Diamond St, Wmspt. (Nominal fee) Clothes Closet: M, Th. 9 - 2, T, W 9-12 & 4:30-7, Sat 8:30-Noon Shoe Express: 1st, 3rd Sat: 1 sneakers/socks for kids up to 17 (need access card/referral)</p> <p>I. <u>Antioch Baptist Church</u>, 514 High St, Wmspt. Side Entrance, Weekdays 9-1</p> <p>J. <u>Shepherd of the Streets</u>, 320 Park Ave. Wmspt., 1st pair work shoes or uniform</p> <p>K. <u>Needlework Guild of Am. (Local Chapter)</u>: new outfit, coat or shoes (kids & adults)</p> <p>L. <u>Liberty House Boutique</u>: 815 W 4th St., Wmspt. W 4-7, Th-F 11-5, Sat 10-2</p> <p>M. <u>Children's Closet</u>: Clothes for Kids 0-6 Castellano Ctr, 320 Park Ave, Wmspt, Tues. 10-2</p>	<p>570-398-4311</p> <p>570-323-7321</p> <p>570-323-8401</p> <p>570-546-3585</p> <p>570-323-1797</p> <p>570-327-3035</p> <p>570-546-5509</p> <p>570-322-2333</p> <p>570-323-6297</p> <p>570-323-2425</p> <p>570-322-6538</p> <p>570-323-1707</p> <p>570-322-4637</p> <p>N/A</p>
8. When persons need emergency fuel assistance....	<p>A. <u>Department of Welfare</u> (LIHEAP, Regular and Crisis Programs) 400 Little League Blvd, Wmspt., 8:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. weekdays</p> <p>B. <u>United Churches Fuel Bank</u> Administered by STEP Outreach 9 - 5 M-F (Person must have applied for State Funding)</p> <p>C. <u>STEP Office of the Aging</u>, 2138 Lincoln St, Wmspt. 9-5 Weekdays, Seniors 60+</p> <p>D. <u>STEP Outreach Office</u> 2138 Lincoln Street, Wmspt. 9-5 weekdays</p>	<p>570-327-3497</p> <p>570-327-5485</p> <p>570-323-3096</p> <p>570-327-5485</p>
9. When persons need furniture...	<p>A. <u>Sonlight House</u> 130 Carpenter Street, Muncy (When available) M-Th-Sat 7:30-10</p> <p>B. <u>St. Anthony Center</u> 125 E Willow St., Wmspt. (When available)</p> <p>C. <u>American Rescue Workers Store</u>, 643 Elmira St, Wmspt. Monday - Friday 9-5</p> <p>D. <u>Salvation Army</u>, 530 Lyc. Mall Dr., Pennsdale M-F 9-6, Sat 9-5 (vouchers) and 1445 Dewey Avenue, Williamsport, Mon.- Sat.. 9:30 - 4:30,</p> <p>E. <u>Expectations for Women</u>, 854 W Third St, Wmspt - Baby furniture -no cribs M & W - 10 am-6 pm, T & Th - 10 am-8 pm, F 10 am-2 pm</p> <p>F. <u>Cribs for Kids/Pack N Play Cribs</u> for newborns, Coroner's Office, 48 W 3rd St, Wmspt.</p> <p>G. <u>American Legion Post #1</u>, 10 E. 3rd St, Wmspt: (available to anyone)</p>	<p>570-546-3585</p> <p>570-326-2244</p> <p>570-323-8401</p> <p>570-546-5509</p> <p>570-327-3035</p> <p>570-321-8254</p> <p>570-327-2305</p> <p>570-323-9409</p>
10. When persons need pastoral care	<p>A. <u>Shepherd of the Streets Ministry</u> 320 Park Ave. Williamsport. Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m.-Noon and 1-3 p.m. (Both counseling & referral)</p> <p>B. <u>Sojourner Truth Ministries</u>, 501 High Street, Wmspt. 9-3 M-F</p>	<p>570-322-6538</p> <p>570-323-1797</p>

<p>11. When persons need utility assistance....</p>	<p>A. <u>STEP (Limited)</u> 2138 Lincoln St. 9-5 weekdays (Cap for gas) 800-844-9276 B. <u>PG Energy program</u> (Must be on a payment plan) C. <u>PPL-CARE</u> (electric) (Must be on a payment plan) 8-5 weekdays Operation help program.... a one time payment. D. <u>PPL On Track Program</u> - Through STEP Outreach Office Help for electric bills of eligible persons with reduced monthly payments E. <u>Salvation Army</u>, 457 Market Street (By appointment only) G. <u>Am. Rescue Workers</u>, 643 Elmira St, Wmspt (Limited) Fri-9-4 by app. Ext. 12 H. <u>Shepherd of the Street</u>, 320 Park Ave. Wmspt. 9-12, 1-3 Mon - Thurs I. <u>Public Utility Commission</u>, Insure safe reliable reasonably priced electric, gas, water, telephone. Their decision is final. Determination hotline:</p>	<p>570-327-5485 800-820-8620 800-342-5775 570-368-5267 570-326-9187 570-323-8401 570-322-6538 800-692-7380</p>
<p>12. When persons need medical help....</p>	<p>A. <u>St. Anthony Free Clinic</u>, 125 E Willow St., Wmspt 7-8:30 p.m. Mon., and 11-12:30 Wed.; Physicals (appointment needed) on a Friday. B. <u>Susquehanna Community Health Center</u>, 471 Hepburn Street Mon-Fri - 8:30-11:30, 1-4:30. appointments required C. <u>SHS Community Dental Clinic</u> 469 Hepburn Street, Hepburn Plaza, 7:45 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Accepts medical assistance) Appointments required D. <u>Healthy Kids Help-Line</u> Medical info and help for uninsured children E. <u>Healthy Baby Help-Line</u> for infants and pre-natal F. <u>Adult Health Insurance</u> information/referral or basic insurance G. <u>Lead Information Line</u> H. <u>STEP Office of the Aging</u>, 2138 Lincoln St, In home services and referral for elderly I. <u>Hepatitis Testing and Care</u> - Susquehanna Health System - Call for info. J. <u>Pennsylvania Department of Health</u>, 1000 Commerce Park Drive K. <u>Hearing Aids Lions Club International Hearing Pgm.</u> - Art Girio L. <u>Penn College</u> - 1 College Ave, Wmspt - Routine Dental Cleaning & Check-up M. <u>Shepherd of the Streets</u>, 320 Park Ave, Wmspt., Eyeglass/Dental Surgery Ast. N. <u>Rural Health Care Marketplace</u>, 471 Hepburn St. Wmspt. Weekdays 8-5 Q. <u>Healthy Women Project</u>, 699 Rural Avenue, Suite 202, Wmspt. Free pap tests, mammogram for ages 40-60 with no/limited insurance and low/moderate income R. <u>PA Health Law Project</u>, helps low income families/disabled/elderly obtain health care</p>	<p>570-326-2566 570-567-5400 570-567-5430 800-986-5437 800-986-2229 800-462-2742 800-440-5323 570-323-3096 570-321-1000 570-327-3400 570-326-1793 570-327-4500 570-322-6538 570-560-3035 570-321-3131 800-274-3258</p>
<p>13. When persons need prescriptions...</p>	<p>A. <u>American Rescue Workers</u> 643 Elmira St, 9-4 M-F (Limited) B. <u>Shepherd of the Street</u>, 320 Park Ave., Wmspt. 9-12, 1-3 Mon - Thurs C. <u>PaceNet & Pace</u> - Office of the Aging 60+, 2138 Lincoln St., Wmspt. Weekdays 9-5 D. <u>PA Patient Assistance Program</u>, Dept. Of Public Assistance, 400 Little League Blvd, Wmspt. for 19-64 year olds not receiving Medicare</p>	<p>570-323-8401 570-322-6538 570-323-3096 570-327-3497</p>
<p>14. When persons face HIV/AIDS</p>	<p>A. <u>AIDS Resource</u>, 500 W 3rd St, Wmspt. 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Weekdays (Support services for those infected and affected with HIV or AIDS) B. <u>PA. Department of Health</u>, 1100 Commerce Park Drive, Suite 109 Wmspt.</p>	<p>570-322-8448 570-327-3400</p>
<p>15. When persons need transportation</p>	<p>A. <u>Am. Rescue Wks</u>, 643 Elmira St, Wmspt. Emergencies only. Limited (By appointment) B. <u>STEP Transportation</u> (Step Van) 1-800-222-2468 or C. <u>Shepherd of the Streets</u>, 320 Park Avenue., Wmspt, 9-12, 1-3 M - Th D. <u>STEP Office of the Aging</u>, 2138 Lincoln St, Free bus pass for seniors 60-64 E. <u>American Cancer Society</u>, Road to Recovery Program (medical appts.)</p>	<p>570-323-8401 570-323-7575 570-322-6538 570-323-3096 800-ACS-2345</p>
<p>16. Additional Resources</p>	<p>A. <u>Lyc. Cty. Clearinghouse</u>: % ARW, 326 Bridge St, Wmspt. Information verification for providers kimarw@chilitech.net B. If you still need help finding a resource call..... C. <u>Favors Forward</u> - email: favorsforward@gmail.com www.favorsforward.weebly.com</p>	<p>570-323-8401 Extension 112 211 570-326-3805</p>

<p>17. When persons are <i>mentally or emotionally disturbed & or suicidal...</i></p>	<p>A. <u>Lycoming/Clinton MH/MR and Children and Youth</u> (24 hr.) 200 East St Wmspt. B. <u>Catholic Social Services - Lycoming</u> 1201 Grampian Blvd, Suite 2G 9-5 Weekdays, evenings by appointment (Counseling/ Pregnancy & Adoption Svs) C. <u>Diakon Family Life Services</u>, 435 W 4th St(by appointment) Monday - Thursday 8-8, Friday - 8-4. Family, Individual, Marital & Suicide Counseling D. <u>Suicide Hotline: National: 1-800-SUICIDE(784-2433)</u> Lycoming Cty Crisis Int. E. <u>Heartworks: Children's Bereavement Specialists</u>, 1100 Grampian Blvd. Suite 383, Wmspt F. <u>Crossroads Counseling: 501 E 3rd St. Wmspt.</u> M-Th 8am-9pm, F&S, 8-2 or 8 N. Grove St, Lock Haven, M-Th 8-8, F 8-1 or 444 E. College Ave Suite 460 State College, M-Th 8am-9pm, F, 8-2</p>	<p>570-326-7895 570-322-4220 570-322-7873 570-326-7895 570-320-7691 570-323-7535 570-893-1886 814-231-0940</p>
<p>18. When persons have serious <i>drug & alcohol problems....</i></p>	<p>A. <u>West Branch Drug and Alcohol Abuse & Tobacco Addiction Commission</u> Case Management Unit, 213 W. 4th St., Wmspt 7:30 - 4 M-F (call anytime) B. <u>Psychological Services</u> (Outpatient therapy) Bloomsburg 9-5 Weekdays C: <u>Alcoholics Anonymous - District 48</u> PO Box 303, Williamsport 17701 D. <u>AlAnon and AlaTeen</u> Williamsport Hospital Conf. Rm 1B, 7 pm Sun. E. <u>Narcotics Anonymous</u>, PO Box 1161, Williamsport 17701 F. <u>Alcohol and Drug 24 Hour Referral Line</u> G. <u>White Deer Run</u> - Lock Haven H. <u>Valley Prevention</u> - 520 W 4th St. Wmspt. Suite 2B I. <u>Susquehanna NW Human Svs. Outpatient Mental Health Drug & Alcohol</u> <u>Counselling</u>, 520 W 4th St. Suite 2A, Wmspt. J. <u>White Deer Run</u> - Devitts Camp Road, Allenwood K. <u>White Deer Run Outpatient Treatment</u> - 901 Westminster Drive, Wmspt L. <u>Crossroads Counseling: 501 E 3rd St. Wmspt.</u> M-Th 8am-9pm, F&S, 8-2 or 8 N. Grove St, Lock Haven, M-Th 8-8, F 8-1 or 444 E. College Ave Suite 460 State College, M-Th 8am-9pm, F, 8-2</p>	<p>570-323-8543 570-389-1249 570-327-2860 800-344-2666 570-327-2678 800-821-4357 570-893-8100 570-323-9940 570-322-1216 800-255-2335 570-321-6127 570-323-7535 570-893-1886 814-231-0940</p>
<p>19. When persons have <i>a specific need...</i></p>	<p>A. <u>Crisis Hotline</u> 24 hour National Crisis Service B. <u>Special Kids Network & Parent to Parent Information and Referral.</u> Help for kids with disability/health conditions State office, Harrisburg C. <u>Child Safety Seat Inspection</u> - Free - by appointment: Wmspt Bureau of Fire, 440 Walnut St, or Old Lycoming Township Vol. Fire Company, 1600 Dewey Ave, Wmspt. D. <u>STEP Inc.</u> 2138 Lincoln St, PO Box 3568, Day Care / Head Start, Weatherization, Training Programs. E. <u>STEP Inc.</u> 2138 Lincoln St, Funded Child Care. F. <u>Center for Independent Living</u> 210 Market St. #A. Serves disabled, M-F 8-4:30 G. <u>North Penn Legal Svs</u> 329 Market St, Wmspt.8:30 - 4:30 Weekdays Civil cases only. Eligibility based on income and household size. H. <u>Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Hotline/Shelter</u> - 815 W 4th St. Wmspt. For victims of crimes - in crisis - With transient services for Women and Children I. <u>Expectations Women's Center</u> 854 W 3rd St (Counseling, Care & Supplies) M & W - 10 am-5 pm, T & Th - 10 am-7 pm, F 10 am-1 pm 24 hr hotline J. <u>West End Christian Comm. Ctr Limited Vouchers</u> -diapers 901 Diamond St, Wmspt. K. <u>Firetree Place</u>. 600 Campbell St, Wmspt Educational, Recreational, Community pgms, for children-youth-adults L. <u>N.W.PA Optical Clinic</u> 901 Diamond St, Wmspt. appointments needed New prescription classes to low/moderate income persons, \$36 starting price M. <u>North Central Sight Services</u> 2121 Reach Rd, Wmspt., W-F 8:30-4:30 vision N. <u>Shepherd of the Streets</u>, 320 Park Avenue, Wmspt., Birth Certificates and ID's O. <u>Consumer Credit Counseling Svs.of NE PA</u>, 201 Basin St. Suite 6, Wmspt. Mediation - advocacy - budgeting M, T, W & F., 8:30:4:30, Th. 11-7, Sat. by appointment P. <u>Hearing Loss</u>, 901 Diamond St, Wmspt 2nd Thursdays each month e-mail contacts only: tybergkay7376@yahoo.com Q. <u>Yokefellowship Prison Ministry</u>, 1200 Almond Street, Williamsport R. <u>Habitat</u>, 355 Rose St., Wmspt, <u>Restore</u>, 336 Rose St. Wmspt., 9-4 W-F, 8-3 Sat,</p>	<p>211 800-784-2433 570-326-4980 570-327-1602 570-323-1665 800-986-4550 570-326-0587 570-601-9703 570-327-9070 570-323-8741 570-323-8167 800-326-8483 570-321-8254 800-395-HELP 570-323-6297 570-360-9946 570-601-3399 570-323-9401 570-322-6538 570-323-6627 800-922-9537 NA 570-326-6868 570-322-2515</p>