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**SPIRIT OF LIFE MINISTRIES**

**Sunday, May 1  
 7:00 p.m.**

We welcome Pastor Greg Lowe and his congregation from our sister church, Spirit of Life Ministries in Hanover, Pennsylvania. Pastor Lowe will be ministering to us in this evening service. After the service we will have a time of fellowship in the Atrium. We ask that you would bring a snack along to share.

For more information about Spirit of Life Ministries you can visit their website at [www.spiritoflifeonline.org](http://www.spiritoflifeonline.org).



**LITTLESTOWN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY MUSICAL**

**May 5 & May 6  
 7:00 p.m. Nightly**

This popular sequel to Dottie Rambo's "Down By the Creekbank" is simple and simply delightful! On a creekbank fishing trip, Mr. Jenkins shows his young friends the many ways God expresses His love through nature...and how to express our love to Him.

Littlestown Christian Academy will be presenting this musical on Thursday, May 5 and Friday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. There will be refreshments served after the Friday evening's performance.

Please note that all ministries will be up and running on Thursday, May 5. We invite you to come out and show your support for the LCA students who have invested their time into this musical. For more information you can visit their website at [www.lca eagles.org](http://www.lca eagles.org).

**PASTORS' APPRECIATION OFFERING**

**Sunday, May 15  
 8:00 a.m. and 10:40 a.m. services**

We will be taking a love offering for our Pastors and their families to show them our love and appreciation for all that they do to further the Kingdom of God.



**PASTOR ABERA HELLEMO  
 Sunday, May 15  
 7:00 p.m. service**

Make plans to attend this evening as Pastor Abera Hellemo shares with us how he and his wife, Mary along with their children Efraim and Ruth have been called to pastor an International Christian Assembly in Moscow, Russia.

**LADIES NIGHT OUT**

**Tuesday, May 24  
 7:00 p.m. in the Gym**

We invite all ladies to join us for another exciting "Ladies Night Out." We will be having another "Cook-off." The categories will be appetizers, main dish/casserole, and dessert. The last time that we held this event it was a huge hit so we encourage all ladies to sign up early to participate in the cook-off as we expect a large response. If you would like to participate please respond by May 15.

For those who do not want to participate, we encourage you to attend as we need judges for the evening's entries. Registration is required.

Please look for more information in an upcoming bulletin and in the Events Notebooks located at the Welcome Centers.

**BETHEL FAMILY PICNIC**

**Christ United Church of Christ Church  
 Sunday, May 29**

Immediately following the 10:40 a.m. service we will be having our church picnic at Christ United Church of Christ located at 131 Christ Church Road, Littlestown, Pennsylvania.

We invite you to stay and connect with people that you may not know in the church body for the entire day and participate in the fun, food and fellowship with your Bethel family. We will be playing volleyball and horseshoes.

Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish and a salad or dessert. The church will be providing chicken, drinks, plates, cups and utensils. Please bring your lawn chairs also.

You will be able to let the church office how many will be attending by picking up a form from the Events Notebooks located at the Welcome Centers.

Please note that there will be no evening service.

**WOMEN'S WORKSHOP**

On Tuesday, May 3 Women's Workshop is hosting a Spring Luncheon for the Operation Community Care Mission Volunteers at 9:30 a.m.

On Tuesday, May 17 we will have a picnic at Glenn and Anna Bartels home at 10:00 a.m.

Any questions on either of these events please call Mel Crabbs at 359-7291.

**HERITAGE MINISTRIES**

(Senior Saints 60 years and over)

On Wednesday, May 11, we will be going to the Allenberry Playhouse to see "Sisters of Swing."

We will leave the church at 9:45 a.m.  
 The cost of this event is \$61.00.

You may sign up in the "Events Notebooks" located at both of the Welcome Centers or contact Joanne Hare at 717-624-7954.

**SC/SCE COMBINED SECTIONAL POW-WOW**

Theme: "1-2-3 Launch" (Rocketry)  
 May 20-22

Camp Berry, Honey Grove PA

We will leave the church on Friday, May 20 at 4:00 p.m. and return on Sunday, May 22 at 4:00 p.m.

The cost is \$45.00 before May 12 and \$50.00 after May 12. Please see your commander for more details.

**METAL DETECTING SMALL GROUP**

On Saturday, May 21 we will meet in the church parking lot at 8:00 a.m. and travel to Lancaster County Kiwanis Park.

**RUSSELL FRAGER**

Sunday, May 22

Leading Worship in All Services

We are honored to have Russell Frager with us this day. He was born in 1954 in Penrith, New South Wales, Australia.

Russell comes from Hillsong Church. He has written songs such as 'People Just Like Us', 'Love You So Much', 'Holy Spirit Rain Down', 'So You Would Come' and many more went on to be internationally recognized and re-recorded by artists such as Alvin Slaughter, Don Moen, Natalie Grant, Freddy Hammond and more.

One of his priorities is passing along his knowledge and experience to the next generations. He helps worship teams with insights, encouragement, practical musicianship and more. It all happens in a very encouraging, relaxed atmosphere, proving Russell's theory that "if you aren't having a great time in the praise and worship ministry, you're doing it wrong".

For more information on Russell Frager you may visit [www.createworshipconference.com](http://www.createworshipconference.com).

**SACRED ASSEMBLY PRAYER GATHERING**

Join us for our Sacred Assembly Prayer Gathering on Saturday, May 28 at 7 p.m.

**Milestone Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Yvonne Renshaw  
50 years  
May 2

Mike Hay  
40 years  
May 6

Congratulations to the  
Russell & Theada Stonesifer  
as they celebrate 40 years  
of marriage on May 8.

If we have missed your birthday  
or anniversary please contact  
the church office at 717-359-4675.

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

5/1	Wanda Staub	5/10	Jackie Baird	5/25	Joshua Honeycutt
5/2	Yvonne Renshaw Debbie Wartluft		Brian Bennett, Sr. Joshua Crawford		Bruce Imes Doris Mellot
5/4	Arnold Cregger Teresa Gonder Priscilla Lovell Tyler Rhines Keziah Sanders Emily Selby Tjay Storm Debbie Wienholt	5/13 5/15	Gloria Hipp Andy Kelch Selena Smith Russell Hare	5/26 5/27	Cheryl Czajkowski Judy Bollinger Shirley Demboski Lisa Plank
5/5	Elijah Seibel Alice Taylor	5/16 5/17	Melissa Wagner Melissa Gladhill	5/28 5/29	Walker Howard Mike Little Marian Reaver
5/6	Cathy Dotson Bill Gonder Mike Hay Carol McCargish Taylor Nelson	5/19 5/20	Joe Honeycutt Joanne Martin Jessica Moffatt Eric Roop, II Ed Wine	5/29 5/30 5/31	Matthew Smith Ed Ferris Laura Myers Russell Franklin
5/7	Kevin Crawford Breanna Dell Ray Tully	5/21 5/22	Betty Davis Arlene Helm Savannah Hendrickson Josh Olinger Nathanael Szabo Owen Wetzal		
5/8	Vickie Curtis Delores Myers	5/23	Kayla Lacey		
5/9	Cameron Connelly Brigitte Hersh		Alexis Moul		

**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

5/1	Tim & Leah Yingling	5/22	Mike & Pam Lippy
5/5	Greg & Bonnie Musselman Gerhard & Janet Noerr	5/23	Kirk & Pam Seibel Don & Mel Crabbs Larry & Beth Lacey
5/7	Larry & Sherry Roos	5/27	Jeff & Barbetta Moffatt
5/8	Russell & Theada Stonesifer	5/31	Tom & Cindy Ellicott
5/12	Thomas & Roquel Peiffer Jay & Richelle Smith		
5/13	Pastor Mike & Angela Smith		
5/16	Andrew & Jackie Baird		





**BABY NEWS**

Congratulations to **Matthew & Amy Norris**  
in the recent addition of their son,  
**Luke David William** born on Monday, April 18.



**MAY 2011**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Communion and Missions</i> Pastor Greg Lowe and Spirit of Life Ministries 7:00 p.m.	2	3 WM's Workshop Spring Luncheon for O.C.C. Workers 9:30 a.m. in the Atrium	4 	5 "Back to the Creekbank" and Family Night 7:00 p.m.	6 "Back to the Creekbank" 7:00 p.m.	7
8 <i>Happy Mother's Day</i>	9 L.C.A. Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	10	11 <i>Heritage Ministries Allenberry Playhouse leaving church at 9:45 a.m.</i> Littlestown Bible Study at the Nusbaum home 7 p.m.	12 Family Night 7:00 p.m.	13 	14 Men's Mentoring In the Atrium 8:00 a.m. <i>Photography Connect Group Immediately following Men's Mentoring</i> HCO at Gettysburg Homeless Shelter 5:30 p.m.
15 Pastors Appreciation 8 & 10:40 a.m. Pastor Abera Hellemo 7 p.m.	16 Church Board Meeting 7 p.m.	17 WM's Workshop Picnic at Anna Bartels home at 10:00 a.m.	18 	19 Family Night 7:00 p.m.	20	21 Metal Detecting 8:00 a.m. meeting in church parking lot Gettysburg Soup Kitchen 10:30 a.m. Royal Rangers Sectional Powwow 20—22
22 Russell Frager will be leading worship in all of the services today!	23	24 Ladies Night Out 7:00 p.m. In the Gym	25 <i>Littlestown Bible Study at the Nusbaum home 7 p.m.</i>	26 Family Night 7:00 p.m.	27 H.C.O. at the Baltimore Mission 6:00 p.m.	28 <i>Photography Connect Group 9:30 a.m. Atrium</i> Sacred Assembly Prayer Gathering 7 p.m.
29 Church Picnic following the 10:40 a.m. service at Christ United Church of Christ No evening service.	30 Memorial Day Church Office Closed 	31	1 June	2 Family Night 7:00 p.m.	3	4 Photography Connect Group 9:30 a.m.