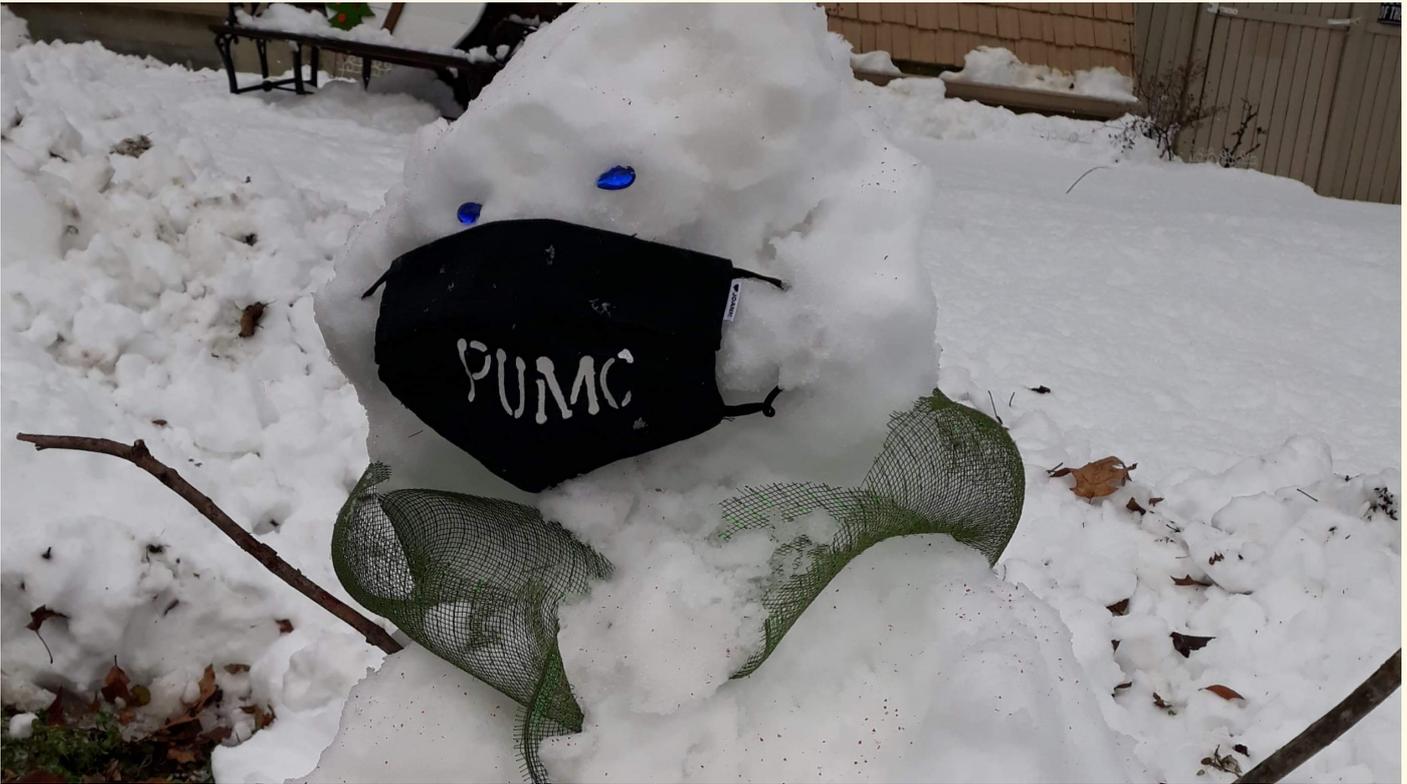


**PEMBERTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**FEBRUARY**  
**NEWSLETTER**



As we celebrate February, the month reserved for the celebration of love, I love that we started this month off with snow. Like many of you, the only downfall to the snow is when it's time to shovel it. Rob and Lisa Challender enjoyed the snow by making a PUMC snowman! How cool?! Wouldn't it be great to have masks with our church name on it like the above snowman?!

Even in the throes of a pandemic, God is still blessing our church. One of the biggest blessings of 2020 is that because of your continued support, we were able to pay 100% of our apportionments/shared ministry to our conference. To explain, our apportionments are the funds we pay to the larger United Methodist conference, which goes towards world-wide missions such as General Administration Fund, Interdenominational Cooperation Fund, World Service Fund, Black College Fund, Episcopal Fund, Africa University, and the Ministerial Education Fund.

According to the United Methodist Church website, "The foundation of the United Methodists is connectionalism. The connections between us mean we can do more good together than we can do alone. This is what shared ministry and connectional giving is in the United Methodist Church. Our membership is a whole – a whole of many parts that, when connected, makes big impacts."

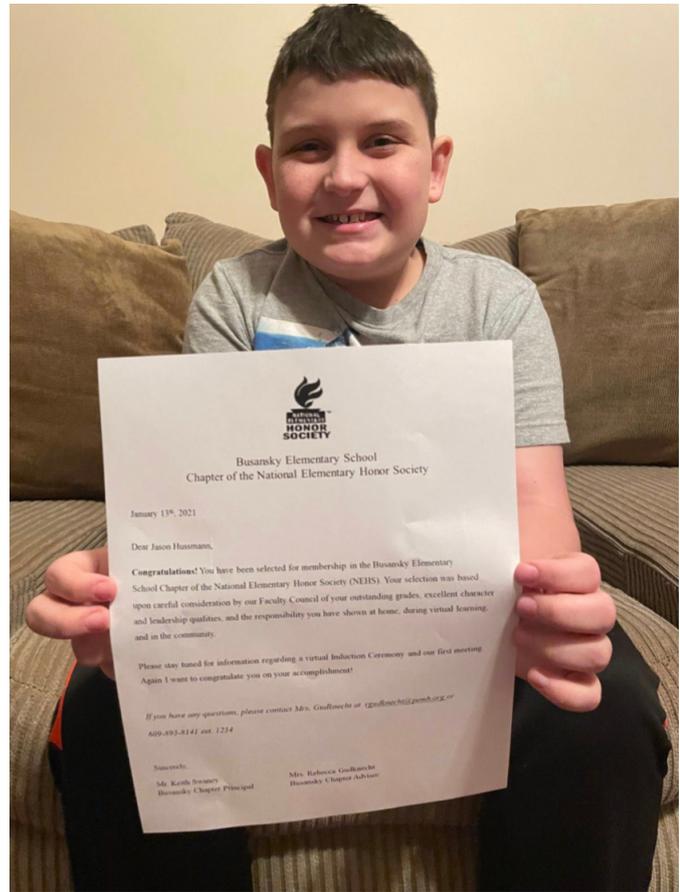
Therefore, I look forward to all that God is going to do in this year of 2021. People countlessly tell me of how they are blessed by our online presence, Food Pantry, God's Closet, Loads of Love, our Youth Ministry, and the many other ways that God continues to use our ministry in the community of Pemberton.

**Keep the Faith!**

**Rev. William D. Carter, III**

## ***Kids Corner***

*Hi! I'm Jason Hussmann. I am 11 years old. I go to Busansky Elementary School where I attend 5th grade. Some activities that I like to do are swimming, gaming and learning to play the trumpet. I swim for the East Coast C-Cerpents and my favorite swimming stroke is freestyle. My favorite video game is Fortnite. In church you can usually find me walking the microphone around during prayer concerns or doing whatever they need me to do. An accomplishment that I have recently had is that I got accepted into the National Elementary Honor Society.*



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## **February Birthdays**

Fred Abrego~February 19  
Keith Tabone~February 24  
Sandra Osiecki~February 26  
Carol L. Carter~February 28

## ***Message from Finance Committee***



**Last year, we received a Small Business Administration (“SBA”) loan in the amount of \$18,825.58. This year, we received word that the bank has issued full forgiveness of the principal and interest outstanding on the PPP loan for UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.**

**Great news!!**

**Also, beginning in the March Newsletter, we will keep the congregation informed of our financial status. Thank you for your continued financial support to PUMC.**

**Finance Ministry of Pemberton UMC**



### **Special Announcement from UMW**

**Thank you to all those who sacrificed and shopped at Boscov's. We were able to raise \$68.09 just from shopping!**

**Linda Hobert  
UMW President**

A message  
from our  
Board of  
Trustees



## ***FROM THE TRUSTEES***

***We will be holding monthly workdays on Saturdays from 9 to one. The dates are shown below. As best as I can determine, these dates do not conflict with other church activities or Easter. We will begin with an emphasis on safety issues and clean up, weather permitting. I have appointed the trustee teams to be responsible for organizing these workdays and acquiring the necessary repair materials.***

***Again the dates and responsible teams are:***

***February 20th***

***John Emmons & Michael Phillips***

***March 27th***

***Lynn Conover & Nancy Cutts***

***April 24th***

***Jeff Lato & Joe Muckelston***

***May 22nd***

***Joan Frye & Roger Meyers***

***We need your participation in these workdays to help maintain our church home. If you are aware of items that are not on this list please contact the applicable team member(s) and get it added to the list.***

***Thank you very much!***

***Bob Butler***

***Trustee Chairperson***

## Message from the Lay Leader



Love! Love! Love is in the air!!

February is renowned for "Heartfelt Experiences." Valentine's Day brings romance and sweet gifts. Lenten Season encourages us to fix our eyes on Jesus, our Friend, and Savior. Believers, we are recipients of His unconditional love; paid for by His precious blood for our sins on Calvary's Cross. There is a victory in Jesus, He sought and bought us with His own precious blood! He has reserved for us eternal life in Heaven with Him and an everlasting gift of love, peace, and assurance.

I find this verse enlightening from Hebrews 12:1-3: "Since we are surrounded by witnesses throw off everything that hinders the sin that so easily entangles. Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, our Perfecter of faith. For the joy set before Him, He endured the cross scorning its shame, sitting down at the right hand of God's throne. 3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners so that you will not grow weary and lose heart." (paraphrased)

"Oh, love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee, I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be." Dear friends, giving back is serving as the Body of Christ. Thank Him and praise Him; Who promises "Lo, I am with you always." That truth grabs our attention! Fixing our eyes on Jesus persevering to win races in His strength, grateful for filling our hearts with new life. Yes Lord, yes, thank you for saving our souls, making us whole. Wisdom to ponder: Proverbs 3:5-6. Bless the Lord, O my soul while reaching high for joy! Yesterday...gone; tomorrow...new mercies! Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

In Christ,

Shirley D. Adams  
Lay Leader

PEMBERTON UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH

*Lenten Bible  
Study/Discussion on Zoom*

Led by Rev. William D. Carter, III



*Starting Wednesday, February 17 & Every  
Wednesday from 6:00PM - 7:00PM*

ZOOM MEETING ID:

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PEMBERTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
PRESENTS

# **YOUTH NIGHT ON ZOOM**

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EVERY WEDNESDAY

**5 PM AGES 6-10**

**MEETING ID: 815 2827 6568**

**6 PM AGES 11-19**

**MEETING ID: 899 3531 0174**