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**PEMBERTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
**MARCH  
NEWSLETTER**


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I can remember as a child, we would put things, an old couch for example, on the trash. Hours later, this man would come by with a truck and pick it up. My father then told me the words of Yotam Ottolenghi, "One man's trash is another man's treasure..." This man would take our couch off the trash and sell it to folks in need. I have learned that sometimes there are things in our lives that need to be put out in the trash. There are things in our lives that don't need to exist in our habitation but need to go to the curbside. So, I pose the question, "What needs to be put out of your life?" Sometimes it's a thought. Sometimes it's distractions. Other times, it is toxic people in our lives that don't need to exist in our habitation. Either way, I submit, it's time to take out the trash! Selah.

In the spirit of gratitude, thank you to all those who came out and participated in the workday at PUMC. So, much was accomplished and it was great to see so many people show up for an amazing day when so much was accomplished.

Some of you are not aware of the various ways that I work with the United Methodist Church. Therefore, let me tell you some of the ways I serve in our denomination. Presently, I serve as a Circuit Elder working alongside other pastors and congregations. Additionally, I serve on the Committee on Finance and Administration (CFA) and the Journey of Hope Team, focusing on promoting racial justice within our United Methodist Conference. I am honored to serve in these various roles. Yet, in every meeting, I represent Pemberton United Methodist Church. Therefore, keep me in your prayers as God continues to shine through all of us for the greater good of the Kingdom of God.

In His Service,

Rev. William D. Carter, III

## ***Kids Corner***

*We celebrate with Alissa & Richard on the birth of their son, Patrick Austin Matthews. He was born on January 19, 2021. We thank God for the new life in your church. It was once said, "A crying baby symbolizes that the church will never die!"*



*"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you. Before you were born I set you apart."*

*Jeremiah 1:5*



### **March Birthday's**

Elise Butler~March 6  
Jackson Anderson~March 20  
Megan Muckelston~March 20  
Bob Harris~March 20  
Susan Conover~March 21  
Barbara Abrego~March 22  
Tony Tabone~March 22  
Emily Phillips~March 25  
Karl Henley~March 25  
Judy Ries~March 27

### **March Anniversaries**

Connie & Howard Emmons~3  
Roger & Cheryl Watkins~20  
John & Maryjane Emmons~22

**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:***

***March 27th***

***Lynn Conover & Nancy Cutts***

***April 24th***

***Jeff Lato & Joe Muckelston***

***May 22nd***

***Joan Fry & 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**

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***Message from  
Prayer Ministry***

**For all prayer requests, please  
send them to  
[prayer@pemberton.umc.org](mailto:prayer@pemberton.umc.org).**

**Prayer Ministry of  
Pemberton UMC**





## **Message from the Lay Leader**

**THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD BLOWS WHERE IT WILL!**

**March wind whips around our ears and chills our bones, for sure! And so does the Spirit of God, it blows around us during this Lenten Season. During Lent, the wind of the Holy Spirit sets upon us during the time we have reserved to repent and renew. We seek within Scripture reminding our minds, hearts, and souls to be obedient in order to fulfill God's plans for us, honoring Him with sacrificial offerings and service. Yet, when will we surrender to find the peace that passes all understanding? In 1961, Bob Dylan wrote the song "Blowing in the Wind," and we continue to struggle with these unanswered questions today!**

**"How many cannonballs must fly before they are forever banned?  
How many years must a mountain exist before it is washed to the sea?  
How many years can some people exist before they are allowed to be  
free?**

**How many times can a man turn his head, pretending that he just doesn't  
see?**

**How many ears must one person have before they can hear people cry?"  
Dylan's answer is that it is "blowing in the wind." Still, they are  
unanswered questions!**

**I suggest a sure answer! "O let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit  
and His love. Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let Him  
have the things that hold you, and His Spirit like a dove will descend  
upon your life and make you whole...Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your  
lambs, Jesus O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs."**

**Dear friends let us pray that the wind of our Living, Holy God will fall  
afresh on each heart. Dear Lord, "stoop to our weakness, Mighty as Thou  
art" and humble us to love You, and our neighbors as we ought to love!**

**HAPPY SHAMROCK DAY GIVE GOD ALL THE GLORY!**

**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:

831 2725 6683

# WELCOME

SUN  
APRIL  
4TH

# BACK

*TO IN-PERSON  
WORSHIP*

## 10:45 AM

Pemberton United Methodist Church  
45 HANOVER STREET  
PEMBERTON, NJ 08068



REV. WILLIAM D. CARTER, III  
Senior Pastor

## SO EXCITED TO FELLOWSHIP AGAIN

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MASKS REQUIRED



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**