

**Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it...** Psalm 127:1a

**Home Churches:**

**Hanover St. Home Church**

**Monday Evenings**  
256 South Hanover Street  
Pottstown, PA 19465  
7:00 to 8:30

**Consumer Center Church**

**Thursday Evenings**  
249 High Street  
Pottstown, PA 19464  
8:00 to 9:30

**Eden St. Home Church**

**Tuesday Evenings**  
846 High & Eden Sts  
Pottstown, PA 19464  
7:00 to 9:30

**Ministry:**

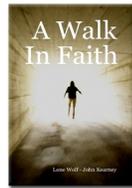
**The Table**  
**Every Wednesday Evening**  
Washington & Chestnut Sts  
7:00 pm

**Announcements:**

**New Choices/New Options** Free Career Development Program  
This is a FREE intensive Career Counseling, Personal Growth, Job Readiness, and Computer Training program for those preparing to return to work due to life circumstances or looking to improve their opportunities in the job market. The program is open to single parents, displaced homemakers, and people in transition. Childcare reimbursement available. Program Services include: Computer Training - Skill and Interest Assessments - Job Placement Assistance - Self-Esteem Development - Peer Support - Career Testing - Job Search Skills - Resume Writing - Interviewing Skills - Career Counseling. If interested please contact Pastor Kork.



**We have a new published Author among us.** We have just published **John Kearney's** first book, "A Walk In Faith." Please see the church office to order your own copy of this excellent book. And please congratulate John on a job well done—for God's glory!



**Your Prayer Reminders:**

**We are always collecting items for the Women's Center.** Please bring small soaps, shampoo, toothpaste, washrags, towels, lotions, disposable razors, large plastic zip lock bags, etc., to Tabernacle for blessing others in need.

Thank you for your prayers while we address the growing problem of homelessness here in Pottstown. We are hosting the shelter in the Parish House this month and still looking for volunteers for this ministry. This collaborative is called **The Ministries at MAIN Street.** To volunteer please see Pastor Kork.

**Our Mayor has asked us to pray and fast...**

In another ministry appeal—who would enter into a fast of corporate agreement for Pottstown from January 1 until February 9. Much victory was commanded by the nation of Israel as they proclaimed corporate fasting. Our fast times will be from noon until 4 pm daily for maximum participation. Consider this in prayer. The lent season will be the next 'corporate opportunity'. This is a Lighthouse of prayer initiative. Sharon Valentine-Thomas

*Please continue to remember Melvin in your prayers. He is recovering and we are confident that he will be coming home for good, very soon.*

*Zenona is in the hospital in Fort Washington, PA. Please pray as to how you can help her in her struggles. And also remember Mother Edythe who is struggling with pain in her knees.*

**Your Prayer Notes:**

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"He restores my soul . . . surely goodness and mercy will follow me" Psalm 23

January 7 = 2007  
1st Sunday After Epiphany (Year C)

the Spirit & the Elements  
living with Him in name, or in the Way...?

**Tabernacle Worship**  
75 East Main Street, Pottstown, PA 19465  
Every Sunday Evening at 7:00, St. John's parish House

**Our Mission**  
To pursue God's heart and mission of building a worshipful faith community within the Pottstown area, through good works and home churches; recognizing Jesus as King of the universe, and worshiping Him privately and publicly because He is worthy.

[Worship]

Today...

Scripture Reading & Call to Worship ::

psalm 29

Congregation Song Worship ::

~ offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy

A Latter-Day Psalm ::

~ by John Kearney

Reflection Film ::

“why are you afraid?”

The Scripture ~ *this week's focus*

the Spirit & the Elements

*living with Him in name, or in the Way...?*

“[Peter and John] went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.” act 8.15-17

psalm 29, isaiah 43.1-7,

luke 3.15-17, 21-22, & acts 8.14-17

Reflection Film ::

“seeing Jesus, everywhere”

Congregation Song Worship ::

~ reflection and open prayer

Benediction ::

1 thessalonians 3.11-13

[Journaling Worship]

your discussion notes

**Meditation:** “When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you”.  
(isa. 43.2)

**But,** “He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” (lk. 3.16b)

**Reflection:** Isn't it interesting that John swears that Jesus baptizes us with the identical elements that our Isaiah passage identifies as dangers (isa 43.2). Notice that as we live with Jesus though, the "waters" of our lives that threaten to overwhelm us, and the "fires" that threaten to consume us, become the right of passage, by which we are refined and made able to approach the world as God does; to truly serve Him and one another.