

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

Ministry:

The Table

Every Wednesday Evening

Washington & Chestnut Sts. 7:00 pm

Worship:

Tabernacle Worship Service

Every Sunday Evening

St. John's Parish House

75 East Main St. South Pottstown 7:00 pm

Announcements:



You Are Invited to...!

Celebration2007

The Northern Atlantic Fellowship Annual Conference

Sunday, March 18, 2007 at Penn Valley Grace Brethren Church, Telford, PA

For more info call the church office.

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.

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.

Camp Conquest is seeking to hire a female program assistant. The applicant should have or be able to acquire an ARC Lifeguard Certificate. Duties will include lifeguarding, janitorial, program and other duties. Pay includes housing, meals and \$225 per week. Position starts about June 5th and ends about July 22nd. Call Mike at 717.336.2541 or at mike@campconquest.org for details.

A local mother of 4 children needs our help. Her husband has been sent to Afghanistan, and will hopefully return in September. Their children are ages 8, 3, 18 months, and 4 months. Our friend Becky Sikora invites us to her mission of making life a little easier for her while her husband is away. She is collecting things to help including: for WalMart & Weis Gift Cards. Please contact the church office for more information.

Prayers Collections from the Worship Table

- ✓ Lord I need funds for rent & a job. Also, health issues with diabetes. ~RJF
- ✓ Pray for my brother Sam who is incarcerated and struggling with addiction. ~Unknown
- ✓ Church, continue to pray for me to be more like God! ~SH
- ✓ Lord, help us in our weakness to continue your work in our community. ~SW
- ✓ There is a couple who are looking for help renovating their home into rooms for rent to help those in need. Pray as to how you might help their efforts.

Next week... March 11, 2007: Lent 3 (Year C)

psalm 63 .1-8, isaiah 55 .1-9, luke 13 .1-9, & 1 corinthians 10 .1-13

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



Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears... (Phil 3:17-18)



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 worshipping Him privately and publicly because He is worthy.

[Worship]

philippians 3.17-4.1

17 Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. 18 For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. 19 Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. 20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. 21 He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. 1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Meditation:

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(Phil 3.17-18)

[The Scripture]

luke 13.31-35

31 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." 32 He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. 33 Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' 34 Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! 35 See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'" (Psm 118:26)

[Think & Pray...]

Reflection: According to theologian Jon Levenson, (Creation and the Persistence of Evil), "God's offer of covenant is a mysterious and unmotivated decision of God, without regard to the merit or sins of Abraham." The two parties trust in one another without obvious reason, and their mutual faith has formed the blueprint for the Judeo-Christian understanding of covenant to this day.

In his letter to the community of Philippi, however, Paul insists that faith is just part of the equation. He criticizes those who preach safe Christianity, and fail to live its fulfillment; both cross and resurrection, naming them "enemies of the cross of Christ" (Philippians 3:18)

Paul's Lenten journey comes as God sets him free from legalism, freely to act in Kingdom mercy—the Land of the Living.

Soon the strength of that power will be all too real. Jesus knows what waits in Jerusalem. The cross is already in view.

Consider: During our Lenten Desert, are we intentionally "Exodus-ed" into weakness through reliance on God's Spirit?