

HEWITT HAPPENINGS MAY 2026



Pastor Jim's Thoughts

“Unity and NOT Uniformity!”
“They said to each other, “didn’t our hearts burn within us as He talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?”
Luke 24: 32 (NLT).

As I write this, I am thinking about last Sunday and how we discussed this passage from Luke which details the conversation between two disciples of Jesus and the resurrected Jesus on the road to Emmaus.

On the road to Emmaus, which is about 7 miles from Jerusalem, two of Jesus’ followers walked along and Jesus joins them. These two disciples did not recognize Jesus because God caused Him to look like a stranger to them. However, these two did show hospitality to this stranger in several ways.

God really does instruct us to welcome friends, strangers, and enemies into our lives. And here is what happens to us, much like the two disciples on the road. Whenever we extend and practice hospitality, our eyes are opened to see Christ in those we host and in those who host us.

I have been thinking about this idea of hospitality and the boundaries that we set up for ourselves because of our experience with violence, danger, and conflicts. How can we practice hospitality and remain safe, secure, and confident in this world today? That is the key question for us, as Americans, living in the 21st century. Perhaps it requires more of our faith in Jesus Christ and what He calls us to be.

I think we all would agree that God calls us to be united in Jesus Christ, right? The original Apostles and all of Jesus’ followers were united around this man who loved them all, taught them all, and pointed them all toward God. Jesus spoke many words about living in unity, even as different as we are. (See John 17:21).

But here is what happens to us as we notice the differences between us. We begin to feel more comfortable with people who look like us, talk like us, dress like us, and believe like us. And we find ourselves avoiding any of “those people” who don’t! Well, this thinking really sums up “uniformity” and not “unity.” Jesus did not and does not teach us to be uniform. Instead, He instructs us to be unified even in our diversity!

The two followers on the road to Emmaus had this demonstrated for them by Jesus Himself. They reacted by saying, “Didn’t our hearts burn within us as He talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?” They had welcomed a stranger and He unified their understanding of God’s Word. Then, and only then, were their eyes opened to see this stranger as Jesus Christ.

Friends, strangers, and enemies, because we are still celebrating our Easter faith, let’s be unified in Jesus Christ and what He has done for each of us. Practice the discipline of Christian hospitality in all the ways that you can, for all the people that you can, and in all places that you can!

Continued Easter Blessings!

Rev. Dr. Jim Kirk, Pastor

HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN NEWS

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
CONTINUES**

Special thanks to all who have made prayer shawls or lap robes. This ministry is not just for Hewitt, but also for family, friends and neighbors. If you know of someone who would appreciate a prayer shawl/lap robe, please contact

Debby Reynolds or Carol Teegarden.



WOMEN'S TEA

A hearty thank you to all who helped in any way to make the Ladies Tea such a success!



**MAY IS BIRTHDAY OFFERING
MONTH**

The women of the Church will be receiving a letter explaining the Birthday Offering and who are the recipients this year. This offering may be returned to Debbie Wilson or placed in the offering plates through the month of June.



ATTENTION LADIES!

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

**Ladies Night Out
Hartley Inn—6 PM**

THANK YOU

I would like to express my gratitude for the prayers, phone calls, visits and get-well quilt for Dad during and after his week-long hospital stay in December. His recovery has been something of a surprise to the medical team, but not to me. The Hewitt Church Family did the trick!

—Dean Cochran

HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN

HCW RECIPE OF THE
MONTH
From the Kitchen of
Denise Robison

My Mother, Theresa Busti Walters
Serbian Steak

1 1/2 lb. of Round Steak, cubed
 2 TBSP Olive Oil
 1 Yellow Onion
 1 TBSP Minced Garlic
 2 cans Diced Tomatoes
 1/2 cup Heinz Ketchup
 1/4 cup Brown Sugar
 Salt and pepper as needed

Directions:

To a medium size pan or large skillet add olive oil and heat under medium heat. Add onion and garlic. Saute until translucent. Do not brown.

Add in the cubed round steak also sauteing until lightly brown.

Once the steak has browned slightly, add in the ketchup, tomatoes and brown sugar. Make sure the ingredients are mixed well.

Simmer the mixture on low heat for approximately 1 to 2 hours. The longer the mixture simmers the more tender the meat will become. Stir occasionally and add water if the mixture becomes too thick.

Add salt and pepper to taste.

The dish can be served alone or over rice. The favorite in our home for decades is to serve the dish over mashed potatoes.

ENJOY!!

RUMMAGE SALE



RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

The Hewitt Church Women Rummage and Bake Sale will be held on:

Friday, June 5 (8 AM-4 PM) and
Saturday, June 6 (8 AM-2 PM)

Please begin setting aside your gently used items to donate. Items may be dropped off on Sunday, May 24 and Sunday, May 31 following worship. Monday, June 1 through Thursday, June 4 items may be dropped off from 9 AM-2 PM.
NO ITEMS ACCEPTED ON FRIDAY!!

Baked goods may be brought to the church on Friday, June 5 beginning at 7:30 AM. Please wrap items in Saran Wrap or put in baggies or containers which will be available.

If you need to make other arrangements, please call:

Cathy Brewer 724-592-6817
Cathy Murrall 724-592-5279
Kathy Kirk 412-334-9721

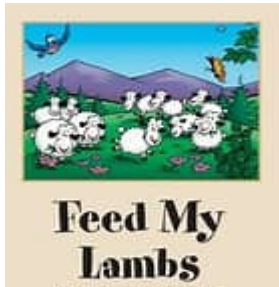


MISSION/EVANGELISM NEWS

FEED MY LAMBS SUNDAY

May 10, 2026

A container will be given to each family to use from May 17 until Sunday, Oct. 4. This offering is distributed to Jefferson Morgan Food Pantry and Presbyterian Hunger Fund.



MISSION AND EVANGELISM TEAM MEETING:

Sunday, May 17, 2026

BEFORE Worship/9:30 AM

DATES TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Sunday, June 14, 2026

Mission Aviation Sunday

Guest: Jim Parkinson

Sponsored by:

Mission and Evangelism Team

Covered Dish Lunch following worship with presentation on Mission Aviation Fellowship.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 24, 2026

Please return your Fish Banks on this day. Special offering envelopes will also be available for your use.

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

If you would like to order a geranium to be placed in the sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday please contact CATHY MURRAL for more information.

Also, order forms will be available at both church entrances in the near future.



DEACONS BAKE SALE



Be sure to circle your calendar for the Deacons Bake Sale FOLLOWING WORSHIP on Sunday, May 17.

Fill a container and make a donation. All contributions are appreciated.

TOP THREE ON TEAM IN EACH CATEGORY FOR THE 2025-2026 SEASON

Games Played

66	Barry Elliott/Cathy Brewer/Adam Brewer
63	Rev. Don Wilson
60	Rachie Teegarden/Sara Parker/Matthew Parker

At-Bats

220	Barry Elliott	92	Barry Elliott
216	Adam Brewer	86	Sara Parker
209	Cathy Brewer	69	Adam Brewer

Singles

79	Barry Elliott	12	Cathy Brewer
75	Sara Parker	8	Rev. Don Wilson
42	Deb Reynolds	7	Matthew Parker

Triples

39	Adam Brewer	14	Rev. Don Wilson/Cathy Brewer
34	Rachie Teegarden	10	Matthew Parker
14	Luke Lubich	8	Adam Brewer

Total Bases

174	Adam Brewer	36	Sara Parker
124	Barry Elliott	35	Barry Elliott
110	Rachie Teegarden	24	Adam Brewer

RBI's

50	Adam Brewer	.806	Adam Brewer
28	Cathy Brewer	.564	Barry Elliott
27	Rev. Don Wilson	.560	Sara Parker

Average

.446	Sara Parker	7	Sara Parker
.418	Barry Elliott	4	Barry Elliott
.362	Deb Reynolds	2	Deb Reynolds

Hits

Doubles

Home Runs

Runs

Slugging Percentage

Long Singles

We want to thank the team for the fellowship, fun and food of the Dartball League this season.

Adam Brewer
Cathy Brewer
Mike Brewer
Barry Elliott
Pastor Jim Kirk
Luke Lubich
Pearl Ludrosky
Kara Parker
Matthew Parker
Sara Parker
Bob Reynolds
Deb Reynolds
Rachie Teegarden
Rev. Don Wilson



*****Pictured at the league banquet with their trophies are Rachie Teegarden, Sara Parker, Matthew Parker (accepting the award on Rev. Wilson's behalf), Adam & Cathy Brewer, Barry Elliott*****

The Hewitt Dartball team concluded their 13th season in the Greene County Church Dartball League last month at the league's annual banquet and trophy ceremony at Waynesburg Baptist.

Several of our players were recognized for their outstanding, individual seasons. **Barry Elliott and Sara Parker** won the 400 Club Certificate for batting over .400 this season. **Barry, along with Adam and Cathy Brewer** were also awarded a 66-Club Certificate, as all three played in all 66 games this season.

Barry (singles), Rachie Teegarden (triples), Cathy (home runs) and Rev. Don Wilson (home runs) all won 55 and over trophies. **Adam** won the Carl Hoy Jr. Manager of the Year plaque, voted by all of the managers in the league.

We look forward to the start of next season, as it will be a milestone year for the league as we celebrate 80 years!! We want to thank the congregation for their support during the season as well!!

SCHOLARSHIP

DONALD P. WILSON SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Scholarship Committee would like to announce that applications are still available for the *Donald P. Wilson Scholarship*. This will be awarded directly to the student and is open to those enrolled in a College or Technical School .

For more information including the criteria and application please contact the church office or
Cassie Teegarden
(724-809-4038)/
cassiebryan03@gmail.com

The deadline for this year's scholarship will be
Sunday, May 17th
which is quickly approaching!!

DO NOT HESITATE TO APPLY!

JEFFERSON- MORGAN FOOD PANTRY

Food Pantry collections for April:
Cash donations- \$207

- Pork and Beans - 4 cases
48 cans
- Farfalle Pasta - 1 box
- Rigatoni Pasta - 1 box
- Spaghetti Sauce - 1 jar
- Tuna Creations/Seasonings - 14 pkgs
- Fruit Cocktail - 4 cans
- Peanut Butter - 2 jars
- Pop Tarts - 2 boxes
- Mac and Cheese Dinners - 4 boxes
- Frosted Flakes Cereal - 1 box

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Pantry!!

Respectfully submitted ,
Hewitt Church Deacons



Sunday, May 17
Collection date for MAY!



2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Feed My Lambs Containers Distributed ----- DPW Scholarship Applications due TODAY	18 May 17—cont. Food Pantry Items Collected ----- Deacons Bake Sale following worship	19	20	21	22	23
24 Pentecost Sunday	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

MAY BIRTHDAYS

MAY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

25 Denise Robison
 31 Bob Kelly
 31 Donna Laskosky

2 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lanxner
 21 Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Cunningham
 23 Mr. and Mrs. Greg Rohanna
 18 Mr. and Mrs. Eric Cottle

CELEBRATE!!!!

If your birthday or wedding anniversary is in May and not listed, please contact Amy at the church office and let her know. Thank you!

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