



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Towamencin is hosting a **Red Cross Blood Drive**, Tuesday, January 17, 2 - 7 PM. Please contact Dawn Zucca if you would like to volunteer or donate blood as Towamencin is in the process of taking over these drives.

If you are apart of **New Creation**, get a thrill out of game night, Sunday, January 22, at 6:30 PM. Contact Lois Ehst for more information.

Sunday, January 22, 2023 is **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**. Even with last year's legal changes, the work at North Care Women's Clinic remains the same, and they continue to offer services to show women they are not alone, they are capable, and that abortion is not their only option. They also seek to offer help, hope, and healing to those who have experienced abortion through healing support groups. To learn more visit: www.northcarecommunity.org.

Mennonite Women will be enjoying a dinner, Bible study, and fellowship, Saturday, January 28 at 6 PM.

Save the date! Saturday, February 11, 8 AM, will be a **Sweet Heart Breakfast**.

AWAKE Prayer meetings are back in room 203. Unite as a congregation every Wednesday, at 7 PM, to lift up praises, and prayer for our church, community, and others around the world!

Enjoy devotion and fellowship at the **Men's Discipleship Breakfast**, every Wednesday, 6:30 AM, at the Towne diner in Telford.

Mennonite Youth Fellowship meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Connect with Pastor Brandon & Naomi Lee, or David & Tiffany Good to check the **Youth Group** schedule.

Greeters next week, January 22, will be the DiTullio and Mellott families.



JANUARY 15, 2023

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
Matthew 5:3



WELCOME

We're glad you've joined us today! As we are empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to extend God's healing, hope, and forgiveness to all. Our prayer is that you receive grace and peace from Jesus Christ as we worship together.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY:
Blood Drive | 2 PM

WEDNESDAY:
Men's Discipleship | 6:30 AM
AWAKE Prayer Meeting | 7 PM

LOOKING AHEAD

Youth Group | January 24



TODAY'S WORSHIP

Gathering: The Church as Community
Song of Worship | Aaron Leatherman
Greeting | Wendell Weaver

Singing: The Church Worshiping God
Songs of Worship
Dedication | Pastor Charlie Ness

Learning: The Church Studying God's Word
Sermon: "Blessed are the Poor in Spirit" | Pastor Charlie Ness

Responding: The Church Ministering
Song of Response
Offering
Congregational Prayer (call or text requests to 267-380-0402)

Sending: The Church Going Out on Mission
Benediction

Today's Nursery Care:
Jason & Trish DiTullio (Service)
Twyla W. & Chelsia R. (Sunday School)



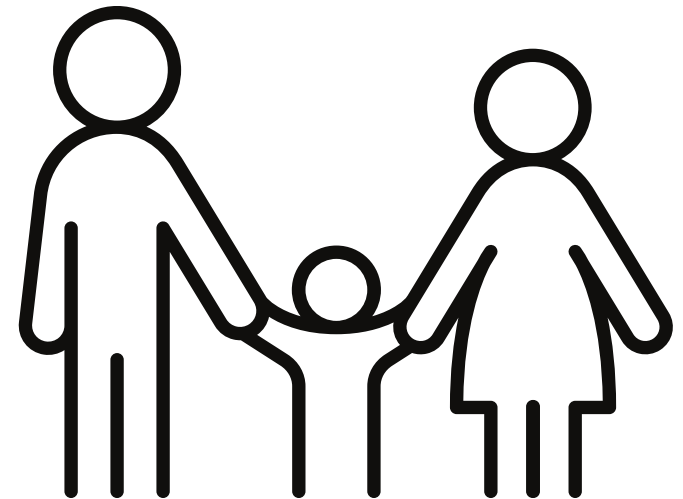
PARENT & CHILD DEDICATION

Today will be a parent & child dedication for:

Brent & Stephany Frederick dedicating Adana.

Galen & Andria Knechel dedicating Madeline.

Phillip & Malina Olsen dedicating Ezra.





BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT

Matthew 5:1-12
January 15, 2023

The Promise - Blessed

Great joy and gladness - how very happy

The Attitude

Poor in Spirit

Poor in spirit are broken

Poor in spirit are humble

Poor in spirit depend upon God

Response

Admit our sin and be saved

Repent of pride

Seek God with all your heart

Deny ourselves and take up our cross

Pray for humility; David prayed

Seek the counsel of others

Display humility to others

The Reward

Theirs is the kingdom of heaven

Commitment



PRAYERS AND PRAISES

Thank God that through humility we enjoy the blessing of the kingdom of heaven.

Give thanks to the Lord for the leaders and teachers in our Sunday School department and pray God's grace on their ministry.

Thank God for the **parent & child dedications** today and pray God's blessing on the families.

'Thank you to the congregation for the gift, from Carol Markley and I.'
Martha Allebach

Pray for **safety for the Frederick family as they return to Peru** on Wednesday.

Pray for God's blessing on **Ponci & Gina** as they are with family in Bolivia. Pray for God's grace and wisdom with Ponci working through some legal issues, and Gina as she deals with flight changes to her scheduled return on Wednesday.

Ask **the Lord for His direction** in our search for pastoral leadership.