

# The Window into the heart of

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church Volume 7, Number 4, Holiday 2021

Comfort and Joy

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church invites you to Christmas Season Worship. Gather at our church and experience the comfort of memories of Christmas past and the joy of this year's candlelight traditional services, family and children worship, and Christmas in modern style at *The Gathering*.

In order to allow enough distance between worshipers at our services, we are adding a Traditional Candlelight Service on Thursday, December 23, in the Sanctuary. Pastor Tom Strandburg will be officiating and Music Director Mr. Mitchell Stecker will be leading the music. The liturgy, music, candle lighting, and atmosphere will be the same for this worship service as for our traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

Our services will be compliant with social distancing and mask requirements and safety protocols.



#### Thursday, December 23

Traditional Candlelight Service 8 pm in the Sanctuary

#### Friday, December 24

Service for Children & Families 3 pm in the Sanctuary

"The Gathering Christmas" 5 pm in Asbury Center

Traditional Candlelight Service 8 pm in the Sanctuary

#### Sunday, December 26

Morning Worship 10:45 am only in the Sanctuary No children's Sunday school or Kids Praise on Dec. 26.

No Sunday school Jan. 2.

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# Home for the Holidays

The older folks among us will remember the famous "crooner from Canonsburg," Mr. Perry Como. Perry began his life as a barber in Canonsburg during the depression, and went on from there to sing with the big bands of the 30's and 40's and 50's. By the time of my own "musical awareness" in the 1970's, Perry Como's career had made a bit of a resurgence with a few more hit songs, and a series of popular television specials, particularly his Christmas specials. The songs of Perry Como were part of the soundtrack of Christmas in my mind, and we still hear many of those Christmas songs at this season of the year today.

One of my favorite Perry Como Christmas songs was his 1954 hit, "Home for the Holidays." Let's remember the first stanza of that song together:

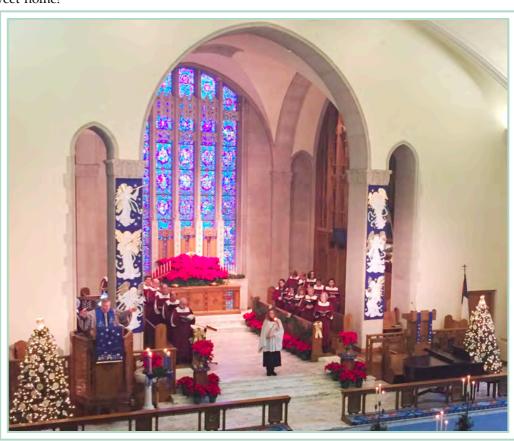
Oh, there's no place like home for the holidays,

'Cause no matter how far away you roam, When you pine for the sunshine of a friendly gaze, For the holidays, you can't beat home, sweet home.

Just reading those lyrics, I can hear Perry Como singing that song in my mind! Those lyrics express a universal truth – for the holidays, you can't beat home sweet home!

Having been through what we all have been through during the years of 2020 and 2021, I think that these old popular song lyrics are more precious to me now than ever. Just one year ago, it was inadvisable for many of us to travel home for the holidays. Many of our families had to be satisfied with watching Christmas Eve worship livestreamed from an empty sanctuary and gathering with our extended families over Zoom! Under the circumstances, we were glad to have these technological options available to us, but they were no substitute for really going home for the holidays.

The upcoming holiday season promises to be much different. This year, we can go home for the holidays!



Indeed, I would invite each one of us to do just that. Come home for the holidays! It has been almost two years since we were last able to observe the seasons of Advent and Christmas according to our traditional norms. Come home for the holidays! Our church is open, and ready to receive you. Elsewhere in this newsletter you will read of the many services that have been planned for Advent and Christmas. We have planned some new services for you, like our Advent Evensong Communion series, and an augmented schedule of services for December 23rd and 24th. We have done this so that everyone will have plenty of opportunity to "come home" during this blessed and holy season of the year. I would encourage us all to make every effort to join us in worship in the coming weeks. For the holidays, you can't beat home sweet home!

#### Pastor Tom Strandburg

# The View from The Gathering

By Rev. Scott Miller

Greetings to all! The Gathering, Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church's modern worship service, is finally back "home" inside Asbury Center every Sunday morning at 8:30am.



Pastor Scott at the Lord's table, open to all. Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday at The Gathering.

As I look back and reflect, it's hard to believe this service has only been around for a year. We have a solid core of regular attenders, wonderful and varied music, (what I hope are) engaging sermons, a laid back and relaxed atmosphere, and enough "socially distanced" space for everyone who wants to attend. So I invite you to come on down, give it a try and bring a friend!

We continue to be blessed with great music, provided by our team leader BJ Collins, drummer Keith Moorehouse, our own Eric Palmer on the bass guitar, and frequent guests Bob Banerjee on violin and Joe Boward on saxophone. This team truly provides a wonderful music ministry for The Gathering. I'm also indebted to my wonderful wife Natalie, who is so consistent in her help with the A/V system and presentation.

In the coming months, we hope to be making some improvements to The Gathering worship service, including new lighting, new backdrops for the "stage" behind the altar, and fresh altar decorations.

Though the recent unpleasantness put a damper on things The Gathering folks are used to - coffee and snacks, passing the offering plate, and so on -The Gathering does retain its unique feature: weekly Communion. Since the start of the pandemic, people in a number of churches have been unable to receive our Lord's Supper. Pastor Tom and I are very blessed to be able to provide the folks at MLUMC Communion in the personal serving cups that everyone has become accustomed to. With Communion once again at the rail for the traditional worship services, we hope to resume Communion by intinction at the Gathering sooner than later. There will be more to come on that in the near future! We will also resume our coffee and snack offerings (for those who feel comfortable) starting in the season of Advent, so look forward to that as well!

Speaking of Christmas, The Gathering will be having its Christmas Eve service this year. More details to come about that, as the time draws closer, so I would urge everyone to stay tuned for emailed announcements or a listing in the bulletins at church.

Pastor Tom and I have also restarted our pulpit exchange, where we switch services on the last weekend of the month. So The Gathering folks need to watch for Pastor Tom to make his appearance on that final Sunday of each month!

I would like to add a personal note of thanks to everyone from The Gathering (and the Traditional services as well!) who has reached out to me following my recent brain surgery to remove a (fortunately benign!) tumor. Your prayers and cards and well-wishes have meant more than I can say, and I am so humbled and grateful to have such a loving Christian family looking after me. Words cannot thank you enough.

It's been my humble privilege to serve as pastor for The Gathering service, and I look forward to another year of serving God and all of you.

His and yours, Pastor Scott

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# **Advent Evensong Communion**

Observing Advent at Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church has a special, brand new addition to the worship schedule this coming season - **Advent Evensong Communion.** 

The services will be held on the first three Thursdays in Advent (December 2nd, 9th, & 16th) beginning at 6:45 p.m. A service of liturgy, song, and sacrament, the services will be a welcome new addition to our commemoration of this season of preparation. Each service will conclude by 7:30 p.m.

# Advent Volunteers Needed: Candle Lighting



Volunteers are needed to help with lighting Advent candles each Sunday during Advent and Christmas Eve services. No special skills required!

Candle lighters can be families,

including children couples, or friends. If you are interested, please contact Kim Rhoton with a date and service preference.

# Help Wanted: Angels, Shepherds & Kings



#### Christmas Tableaux D

December 19

Volunteers are also needed to assist behind the scenes and to participate in the annual **Christmas Tableaux**, scheduled for December 19 at the 10:45 service. Children and teens are needed to play the parts of angels, shepherds, and kings. Adults are needed to help the participants get into costumes and enter the sanctuary on cue. Participants and adult helpers must be available for a rehearsal on Wednesday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please contact Kim Rhoton to volunteer or with questions – krhoton@mlumc.org

#### Poinsettia and the Food Pantry Christmas Memorials

Make a donation to the Food Pantry or purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of friends or loved ones. The red poinsettias cost \$10.50 and will be on display Sunday Dec. 19, and during the services on Dec. 23 and Dec. 24. You may pick up your plant after Christmas Day, though if possible, please leave the poinsettias until after the Sunday, Dec. 26 service. Spread the cheer by volunteering to deliver the poinsettias to shut-ins, or ask the church to deliver.

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# **Order Homemade Christmas Cookies** & Support a Good Cause

This year, the United Methodist Women will be selling boxes of delicious homemade Christmas cookies lovingly prepared and safely packaged.

Two sizes will be available for order:

- A large box for \$20
- A small box for \$10

Each box will contain an assortment of the tasty, cookies you know and love from our Christmas Cookie & Gift Bazaar.

To reserve your boxes, you must pre-order by Thursday, Dec. 2. Call the church office (412.531.7131) with your name, phone number, email, and the number and size of the boxes you want to purchase. You can pick up the boxes at church on:

- Saturday, Dec.11 from 10 a.m. to noon
- Sunday, Dec. 12 before and after church services

All proceeds from the sale benefit relief organizations that support women, children and youth. Thank YOU for your support during this challenging year of fundraising! Please note: Cookies may contain nuts, eggs, flour and other allergens.

# **Calling All Cookie Bakers**

Cookie bakers are needed for this year's modified **UMW Christmas** Cookie Sale. If you like to bake, but don't like the calories, please:



- Bake a batch or 2 of your favorite Christmas cookies. It's okay to bake now and store the cookies in a sealed plastic bag or container in the freezer.
- Based on input from last year's sale, we kindly request no mint-flavored cookies, which can be overpowering in the boxes. Also small to medium-sized cookies work best for layering.
- Leave the cookies in the church kitchen on Thurs. Dec. 9 between 9 am and 8 pm or on Fri. Dec. 10 before noon.

For more information, contact Sandy Waters at 412.833.3702 or bluepen1123@yahoo.com.

# RINGERS



# Christmas Kaleidoscope Friday, December 3 8 pm MLUMC Sanctuary

Three Rivers Ringers returns! After a year of virtual performances, Pittsburgh's premier handbell ensemble is thrilled to return to live concerts with Christmas Kaleidoscope. Join the ensemble in-person on Friday, December 3 at the Sanctuary of Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church, as Three Rivers Ringers takes you through a colorful holiday journey. You'll hear a full program of new favorites, including a powerful setting of I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day, some swingin' bells in St. Nick Boogie, an exciting, rhythmic O Come, O Come, Emmanuel and much more!

FREE, donations encouraged. All attendees must be masked and those over 12 should be vaccinated.

#### Weekday Ministries Childcare Center by Mettelise Ziegler, WDM Director



#### Weekday Ministries Keeps Priorities Straight

We see "help wanted" signs everywhere. There are childcare centers operating with limited hours due to staff shortages. At Weekday Ministries Childcare Center, we continue to operate normally. We have kept our priorities straight through a very difficult time.

First, our intention is to honor God. Our families know that when they leave their children in our care, there will be plenty of hands and hearts to love their children. We believe

it is important for children to be in relaxed settings with dedicated caregivers. Our teachers show the children the love of God.

Second, it is our intention to respect family differences while creating a sense of community for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. Children eat, nap and play together as extended family.

During the last few months of the year, there will be Thanksgiving sharing feasts, and lessons about the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ. They are part of keeping our priorities straight in a topsy-turvy world.





## Youth Ministries by Stephanie Lowe, Youth Director





Another project that they have started is the prayer board. Check out the bulletin board on the second floor near Pastor Tom's office. There the youth leave prayer requests for the congregation. They also want you to leave your prayer requests for them. Please participate in this new ministry with the youth.

Finally, save the date for the summer 2022 mission trip. We will be returning to Project Crossroads in Marion, VA from June 26th through July 2nd. More details will follow in early spring.

The youth group has been busy this fall. They had a fall clean-up day at the church where they weeded and mulched flower beds and started preparing all the railings for repainting. They carved pumpkins and packed flood buckets. They are in an ongoing study by Adam Hamilton of the major world religions. They continue to meet most Sunday evenings for fellowship, study, and fun.



#### Community Thanksgiving & Christmas Meals - Ways to Help

Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, First Presbyterian Church of Castle Shannon, and MLUMC are once again teaming up to provide Thanksgiving and Christmas meals to those in need in the South Hills. These long-standing outreach ministries provide the opportunity to share in faith, food, and fellowship.

Historically, the meals included both eat-in and delivery. However with COVID 19, the eat-in option was eliminated. Many other changes that were successfully implemented in 2020 have also remained in place this year. The adage "when there is a will, there is a way" was certainly evident.

There are many opportunities to help with the meals:

- 1) Provide a roasted turkey (carved) for Thanksgiving or a cooked ham for Christmas.
- 2) Volunteer to help in the preparation & packaging of meals.
- 3) Deliver the meals by car to South Hills area recipients.
- 4) Make a monetary donation towards the cost of food and supply items.

If you would like to help with either/both of these meals, please call the Church office (412-531-7131) or Rob Spicher, Community Events and Outreach Committee Chair (412-720-4589). Rob can also be reached at <a href="mailto:robert.spicher@pnc.com">robert.spicher@pnc.com</a>. Thank you in advance for your help with these very important community outreach ministries.

#### Community Events and Outreach Committee Getting Things Done

The Community Events and Outreach Committee had a very active 3rd quarter of 2021:

- Food Pantry Continued to monthly provide 60+ families totaling 140 individuals with food & household necessities
- Food Lift Maintained daily pick-up and distribution of perishable food items to Food Pantry clients and shelters, churches, and community service organizations
- Daily Bread Provided lunch the 1st Thursday of every month to 100 individuals in need on the North Side
- East End Cooperative Ministries Provided dinner on the 4th Sunday of August to 50 residents of a transitional housing/social service building in East Liberty
- Provided 250 backpacks filled with supplies to children/grandchildren of Food Pantry clients and the members of St. Paul AME, Warren United Methodist, and Beulah Baptist churches
- Commenced a drive to provide baby kits to immigrant and refugee families sponsored by Hello Neighbor
- Church Initiative to Address Racism, Discrimination, and Social Injustice Heard a presentation from Beulah Baptist Church, a recipient of our Food Lift

#### **Financial Partners Needed**

Many events hosted by the Community Events and Outreach Committee, such as large community meals, are self-sustaining, with free will donations covering costs. However, this is not always the case.

As the Committee plans its 2022 activities, there is an opportunity for congregation members to play a major role in ensuring their success. By becoming a "financial partner" of the Committee, you will not only help to underwrite the cost of these activities but also be given the opportunity to assist with them.

One of the Committee activities this Fall was providing 250 backpacks filled with school supplies to children/grandchildren of our Food Pantry clients and St. Paul AME, Warren United Methodist, and Beulah Baptist church members. Individual donations primarily funded the backpacks. Having "financial partners" in place will ensure that activities such as this continue in 2022.

If you would like more information about the Committee or are interested in becoming a "financial partner," please contact Rob Spicher, Committee Chair, at either 412-720-4589 or <a href="mailto:robert.spicher@pnc.com">robert.spicher@pnc.com</a>.

### **Church Financial Information**

by Rob Spicher, Finance Committee Chair

One of the recommendations in early 2017 from our Church stewardship consultant, Scott McKenzie, was more transparency regarding financial matters. The Finance Committee implemented this recommendation in early 2018 and began to share quarterly Church financial information in The Window. Summarized below are the Church's 2020 actual, 2021 budgeted, and 3rd quarter 2021 actual financial results.

A significant drop off in stewardship during the 3rd quarter is evidenced in the financial results shown below. Most concerning has been some pledgers falling behind in their pledges and some non-pledge contributors donating little or nothing YTD. Note that payments towards our Connectional Contribution (aka apportionment) have also been minimal YTD due to the stewardship decline. Hopefully, 4th quarter giving will help to stabilize cash flow.

You are reading this financial update during the Church's annual stewardship (generosity) campaign. If you have not yet made a pledge or financial commitment towards our Church for 2022, please consider doing so as soon as possible. EACH OF US DOING OUR PART WILL ENSURE THAT OUR CHURCH CAN DO ITS PART IN MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST!

Any questions regarding the actual and budget information shown below should be directed to Rob Spicher (Finance Committee Chair) or Virginia Katinsky (Business Administrator and Treasurer). Both can be reached by calling the Church office (412-531-7131).

	2020	% <u>of</u>	2021	% <u>of</u>	2021 Third Q	% <u>of</u>
Church Budget	Actuals	Expenses	Budget	Expenses	Actuals	<b>Expenses</b>
Revenue:	\$723,354	101.2%	\$713,430	85.3%	\$499,986	89.6%
Expenses:						
Personnel	\$445,945	61.8%	\$450,739	53.9%	\$344,655	61.5%
Programs & Facilities	117,981	16.4%	172,502	20.6%	102,222	18.2%
Utilities & Taxes	80,122	11.1%	99,428	11.9%	77,008	13.8%
Insurance Connectional Contribution	41,288	5.7%	44,281	5.3%	33,913	6.1%
to WPA UM Conference *	36,307	5.0%	69,119	8.3%	2,203	0.4%
Total Expenses	\$721,643	100%	\$836,069	100%	\$560,001	100%
Total Net Income (Loss)	\$1,711		(\$122,639)		(\$60,015)	

<sup>\* \$70,611</sup> requested in 2020; did not pay \$34,304

Net losses are covered by cash on hand, special gifts received, and reserves.

### Your Financial Support Is Needed – Now More Than Ever!

Since 1911, the Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church has focused on making its members and friends disciples of Jesus Christ. The financial gifts provided by you have helped ensure this mission.

The COVID 19 pandemic has challenged our Church greatly. In-person worship has been limited, nurturing activities curtailed, and opportunities for service constrained. The costs of paying our Church staff, maintaining our facilities, and implementing our ministries have been unabated as we continue to fulfill our mission.

Your financial gifts are the primary source of covering the costs. These gifts have been impacted by COVID 19, as both pledged and non-pledged giving has declined. Absent an increase in financial support, we will struggle to fulfill our mission in the days ahead. I therefore urge you to do the following:

- 1) If you have made a 2021 pledge to support our Church's staff, facilities, and programs, please make sure that you pay it off in full. Pledged amounts have historically been paid at a 95% rate, and it is my hope that 2021 will be no different.
- 2) If you have not yet made a 2022 pledge, please consider doing so.
- 3) To non-pledged givers, you make up an increasing percentage of our overall giving base and are critical to our Church fulfilling its mission. Your continued support, whether through regular giving or special gifts, is imperative. Please continue with your giving.
- 4) To those of you who do not currently give, I ask that you consider the impact your monetary support will have and respond favorably.

Thank you for your past, present, and future financial support of our Church's staff, facilities, and ministries. May God continue to bless you and your families.

Rob Spicher, Finance Committee Chair

# 2022 Generosity Campaign - We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens his will to make known. The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own. (UMH #131)

God is with us. That is a theme in the lyrics of the familiar hymn, "We Gather Together." The hymn reassures us that God was with us through the months of the pandemic challenge, and that the Lord will be with us in the future, no matter our circumstances. So as we begin once more to gather together - for fellowship, worship, and service - let's not forget to gather in gratitude and to offer our gifts in support of our church's ministry in the coming year.



A 2022 Estimate of Giving Card is being distributed during worship and was mailed to church members and friends. Additional cards are available on the narthex literature tables. We invite you to return the card by mail or in-person. If you have chosen to suspend attendance at worship because of the pandemic, you may want to make your pledge of support online. Go to our church website (www.mlumc.org), select "Giving" and then "Pledge."

Whether you pledge in-person, online, or through the mail, know that God will be honored, and many will be blessed by your response.

No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money. Matthew 6:24

### The Albright Society's November 5 Meeting

Two years ago, our church established the Albright Society to recognize members who have made contributions to our endowments and/or have remembered Mount Lebanon United Methodist Church in their wills. Our second annual meeting of the Albright Society took place on Friday, November 5th in Wesley Hall. The evening included a social time and dinner. A short program outlining ways our endowments have enhanced our church's ministries followed. As part of the program, Louanne Baily talked about her trip to a North Dakota Native American reservation, where she delivered a generous check from the Micki and Harold Heard Endowment.

# The Albright Society

The following people have generously remembered the church in their wills and/or have made contributions to the endowment fund. Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church thanks them for their generosity and love for the church.

Pat and Betty Lou Albright Arthur and Marian Belton Brookline UM Church John and Donna College JoAnn Conner Cleon and Vera Jane Cornes Dormont UM Church John and Ruth Ann Esaias Mary K. Gibson William and Grace Gullborg Harold and Micki Heard Newton and Mary Lou Heston Ella B. Ion Oscar and Annie Larson William and Kathryn Karns Sara Mercer Scott and Natalie Miller Bill and Judy Moeller Josephine Newman Spencer and Gayle Radnich Edward and Bette Lou Reichard Lee Rumberger Bradley, Laura, Emily and Evan Shoff Elmer and Frances Shumaker Andrew and Jane Smith Howard R. Spicher Legacy Fund Elizabeth Stevenson John and Mary Taylor Chuck and Brenda Vogel Kay Wasser Family Irene Wickline Dwight and Ellen Worthy



Some of the 25 people who attended The Albright Society dinner meeting on November 5.

#### **Unity Gathering** November 30 6 pm **Asbury Center MLUMC**

#### Topic: "What We Have in Common -**Implicit Bias**"

As our denomination wrestles with difficult decisions, let's meet in unity, to discover how God wants us to engage and embrace others.

#### When:

Tuesday evening, November 30 from 6 - 7:30 pm. Dinner will be served at 6 and our program will start at 6:30, both live and via Zoom. Social distancing will be observed for those joining in Asbury Center. A freewill offering will be passed.

#### Who:

YOU and Reverend Debra Mason, Senior Pastor at John Wesley UMC, Washington, PA; and WPAUMC's Diversity Development & Inclusion Coordinator

Contact MLUMC Church Secretary, Michelle, at 412-531-7131 to make your dinner reservations or to get on the Zoom list. Questions? Call L Baily at 412-719-7063.

# Join The Nyadire Connection by Sponsoring a Child

The Nyadire Connection is celebrating 15 years this fall. During travels to the United Methodist Mission in the rural area of Nyadire, Zimbabwe, over 500 children have been identified as orphans by the Social Welfare Department. Some are with extended family, some are living on their own in their homesteads and villages, and some are leading their own households and are parenting their younger siblings. Going to school is a source of hope for them. Your involvement at \$100 a year to sponsor a child will bring such joy to the child and a personal connection to a new friend in a faraway land.

If you would like more information about this mission to educate children, please contact Brenda Vogel at 412-276-5473 or btvogel44@comcast.net today.

#### The Nyadire Connection Announces New Leadership

The new leadership team, effective Jan. 1, 2022, consists of Ralph Duckworth of New Sewickley Township, Chairman and Director-Strategic Outreach; Chuck Billerbeck of Upper St. Clair, Director-Finance; Debbie Little of Cranberry Township, Director-Strategic Inreach; Sandy McKnight of Adams Township, Director-Administrative and Programs; and Tim Wesley of Cranberry Township, Director-Communications. Members of the leadership team have been involved in TNC for an average of about 10 years and bring extensive professional expertise to their roles.

# Volunteers of the Food Lift - 365 Days/Year Feeding Hungry People



Each Sunday, early in the morning, church members Mike and Sally Touscany and Noel Slater deliver donated produce, pastries and bread to Shepherd's Heart Fellowship and Veteran's Home on Pride Street in the Lower Hill District. Shepherd's Heart houses up to 15 formerly homeless male veterans with transitional housing, rehabilitation, counseling, and food until they are stable and prepared for independent housing.

In mid-November, the Sunday morning Food Lift team became aware of the significance of their delivery. "We like going there every week, but going right after Veteran's Day was even more meaningful," said Noel Slater. Shepherd's Heart's stated goal is to restore honor and dignity to veterans who have served our country. On that Sunday, the smiles on the faces of the residents let the volunteers know that the Food Lift contributes to that goal.

Food Lift volunteers work 365 days a year collecting food donations from groceries, bakeries and restaurants and delivering them to the hungry people of ministries and shelters. To volunteer or for more information contact Don Langston, 412-894-5559.

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To get on the email list, fill out the form below and drop it in the offering plate, or take/send it to the office. You can also sign up for the email list on the website front page under *Signup for Email*. If you wish to cancel your mailed paper copy of *The Window*, check the box below or contact the church office: 412-531-7131 or churchsecretary@mlumc.org.

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