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We were able to help <u>49 families</u>, which included <u>138 kids</u>. We were able to provide toys, clothing, shoes, jewelry, skin care items, sporting equipment plus so much more. We also provided them with bags of household items, food for a Christmas dinner, gift card to get a ham, school supplies, a Bible, and homemade cookies as well as an invitation to attend our Christmas Eve service. The days were filled with so much joy and gratitude. Not only the families but also a blessing for those that volunteered during the event, who gave of their time and talents.

So many families have trying yet amazing stories of trial and survival. They have worries that they don't know how to provide for their families for Christmas. You really stepped up to help them and gave so much. From all your donations plus volunteering, you made it a joyful time for all who participated. We are so grateful for your love and kindness that you show to each other in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior.

A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS!!!
May God's Blessings be with you and your loved ones now and through the
New Year!

## Meals on Wheels Dessert Help!!!

It's the time of year when HZGMC provides desserts for Meals on Wheels, From January 6<sup>th</sup> through January 24<sup>th</sup>. We need people who are willing to sign up and make or buy desserts. We need 30 regular



and 10 diabetic desserts for lunch and for dinner each day. There is a sign-up board in the lobby. Please remember to take the reminder slips for the date and desserts you signed up for they are hanging on the board to the right of where you signed up. On that date, please take your desserts donations to the English Lutheran Church on Grandview Avenue that morning between 7:00AM - 9:00AM. We hope you are able to assist in this crucial ministry for shut-ins, please contact the church office at 724-452-7670.



Join American Heritage Girls Troop PA1273 for a pancake breakfast fundraiser on January 19<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall after the 8:30AM service and the 11:00AM service.

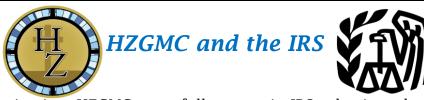
Eating in or carry out will be available.

The menu includes:

Pancakes Sausage

Juice and coffee.

Donations will be used to support of HZ AHG troop. If you have any questions, please contact Ronna Topf or Leslie Ahl at <a href="mailto:ahgps1273hz@gmail.com">ahgps1273hz@gmail.com</a>.



As a charitable organization, HZGMC must follow certain IRS rules in order to maintain its tax-exempt status. HZ's Donations Policy provides a set of guidelines for the finance committee to navigate various donation scenarios. We want to share this policy with you, so you are aware of any potential tax implications of your donations. The full policy is provided below.

#### **HZGMC Donations Policy**

According to the IRS, there are three types of donations that a person can give to a church:

- 1. Undesignated Whenever a donor gives to the church without designation. (Our yearly budget is funded primarily through undesignated gifts, and as such, donors are encouraged to give without designation.) Undesignated donations may be claimed as a tax-deductible donation by the donor.
- 2. Designated Whenever a donor gives to the church with a desired, or suggested, use of the donation but relinquishes control of the funds by giving the church the ability to use the donation at its discretion (e.g. the church is free to use the money for a purpose that is different from the donor's desired purpose). Designated donations may be claimed as a tax-deductible donation by the donor.
- 3. Restricted Whenever a donor gives to a church for a specific purpose and requires the donation to be used for that specific purpose only. If the church accepts a restricted donation, it is legally bound to use the money for that purpose; or the church must contact 100% of the original donors to secure their permission to use the money in a different way; or (if all of the donors cannot be contacted) the church must request permission from a court to use the money in a different way. Restricted donations are not tax-deductible by the donor (because the church does not have control over the use of the funds).

All undesignated giving from our weekly tithes and offerings will be directed to the General Fund.

Any gift designated for a budget category or line-item expense (under any fund) will be applied to the budgeted amount. Such gifts will be used to support the purpose for which they were originally intended until that purpose has been satisfied, after which any excess funds are used for other purposes consistent with the church's ministry.

Any donor who desires to restrict a donation to a specific use shall be informed that his/her donation is considered a restricted donation and will not be a tax-deductible contribution. Any gift that is offered with specific conditions on its use, if accepted, must be used in accordance with the conditions. Any such gift shall be referred to the Committee or Team responsible for that particular aspect of church life. In consultation with the Finance Team, the decision to accept the gift or not rests with the Team. If accepted, the conditions of the gift shall be documented and if cash shall be segregated into a separate Restricted Fund.

All gifts of negotiable securities, whether intended for the general operating budget or for an established restricted fund or purpose, shall be liquidated by the Finance Team as promptly as reasonably possible. The mechanism for such liquidation shall be approved by the Finance Team in consultation with the Trustees. Any transaction fees attributable to the liquidation shall be paid out of the proceeds of the gift.

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Any gift of property other than cash or negotiable securities shall be referred to the Finance Team and Trustees for review. The factors that must be reviewed prior to accepting any gift other than cash or negotiable securities include: valuation; marketability (if the gift is to be sold); maintenance and insurance (if the gift is to be used in-kind); and liabilities that may be related to the gift property. This list of factors is not intended to be comprehensive; the Finance Team and Trustees may include other factors in their review as they deem appropriate.

All gifts are considered irrevocable. Requests to return gifts that have been given to the church shall not be considered by any decision-making body of our church.

The contents of these policies shall be communicated to the congregation from time to time, including the Year End Giving Statement. This policy document shall be available in the church office for review.



November	Budget Income	New Beginnings	Faith Promise
11/3/2024	9,970	0	751
11/10/2024	5,180	0	300
11/17/2024	19,32	0	590
11/24/2024	8,781	0	750
Online giving	14,682	0	1,462
AVERAGE	14,485	0	963

### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



4)Jill Marburger 6)Charlotte Broderick, 7)Cheryl Bishop 8)Justine Hutchison, Pastor Dan Owen 9)Maria Hutchison 12)Rachel Bornes 13)Kyra Fazio, Brenda Simpson

15)Patty Ruggiero, Don Weyman 16)Nancy Deffner 22)CJ (Curtis Johnston) 23)Morgan Bungar 24)Brooke Patterson 26)Liz Edmiston 29)Kim Yohn 31)Tom Tomayko.

# JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

9)Jerry & Diane Thomas(54), Chris & Ronna Topf(32) 31)Mike & Jean Hutchison(44).

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** The newsletter articles will be due the **THIRD MONDAY of the month** in order to be published.

#### SOUTHWEST BUTLER FOOD CUPBOARD

By Denny Weyman

May God continue to bless you with the gift of giving and

compassion!

Peanut Butter Jelly

Canned Tuna Canned Chicken
Pasta Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Fruit Canned Vegetable

Soup Cereal Ravioli Oatmeal Helper Meals Toiletries

Reusable shopping bags

<u>Thank You for your</u> <u>Love and Support</u>



#### 2nd Shift

By Donna Weyman

The old movies will show factories where people work until the whistle blows. 1st shift departs, 2nd shift comes in. Maybe 4pm to midnight.



It's up to your body to make it work. Food, sleep, other functions. Extra cash was earned.

I see us being raised as Christians from childhood. Some catching the Spirit a little later. Somewhere our attention came to Jesus as a reality and a blessing. So, let's call maturity in this reality THE SECOND SHIFT. Anytime, in our own time, hearts are changed to go deeper.

Eyes are opened to the opportunity to love those around us. Ears are opened to really hear the words of Jesus and those who were taught by Him in our Holy Bible. The sense of the Holy Spirit as He wafts the breath of God in pure inspiration and communication.

Prayers are not only more sincere but filled with words of wisdom. Words that sometimes are not even a word that we are familiar with. We say--where did that come from. Then you know. Holy Spirit direction. It's so good, the Holy Spirit can't wait for you to figure it out. He imparts His truth to you like an excited child who can't keep a secret.



We are the 2nd shift, coming in for you. Praying for you. Believing with you. Divine revelation and healing. We pray for release from any darkness and pain that remains at the cellular level. We cry out for you. Hear the

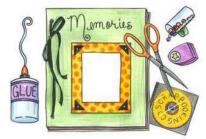
call. The whispers. The echoes. Let God's truth resound.

Proverbs 22:6 ~ Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 16:3 ~ Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.

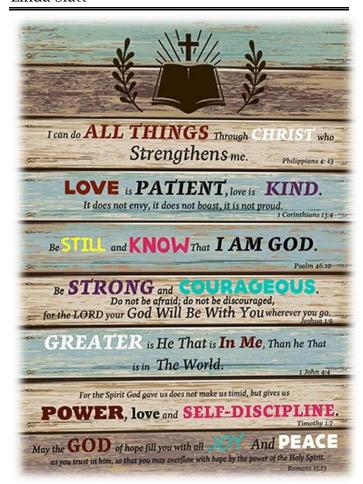
### January Scrapbook Social

Anyone wishing to come together for another day of lowkey scrapbooking is



invited to join other HZ scrappers on Saturday, January 25th (10 am - 4 pm) in Room 003.

Bring your friends, your open projects and a snack to share for the day of scrapbooking together. And, even if you're at the stage of just organizing your photos (or have another project you need to find time for), this day is for you. Snow, rain or shine! Questions? Contact Linda Slatt

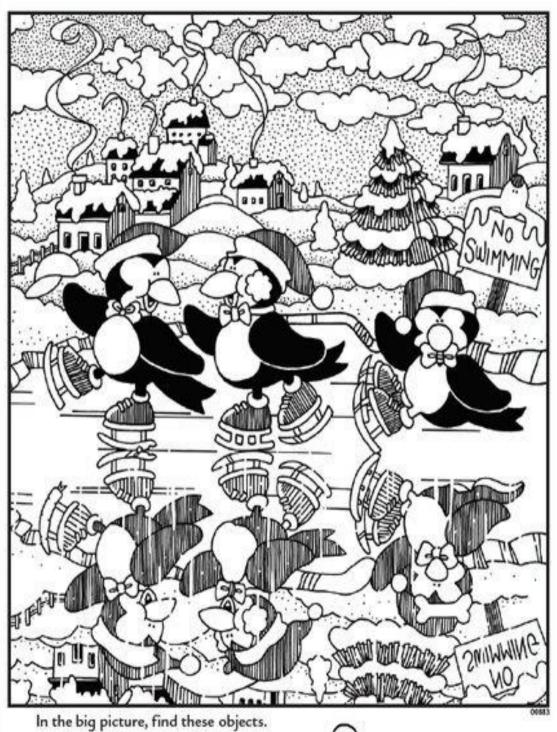


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# **Ice-Skating Party**

By R. Michael Palan









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JANUARY Crossword	
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1 January 15th, Civil Rights leader's birthday 7 Traditional Scottish celebration on January 25th 8 Winter constellation known as the Hunter 9 Martin Luther King Jr.'s famous speech: "I Have a  " 11 Zodiac sign for most of January  1	<ul> <li>2 Traditional January drink to stay warm</li> <li>3 January's gemstone color</li> <li>4 Birthstone for January</li> <li>5 January's weather phenomenon with freezing rain</li> <li>6 Winter precipitation</li> <li>7 Winter sport with skis and shooting</li> <li>0 January is often associated with resolutions</li> <li>2 January is the first month of the calendar</li> </ul>
13 January is National Month 15 January 28th, International Data Privacy Day 16 Famous American folk festival in January 19 January 21st, National Hugging Day 24 January 1st, the start of a new year 25 January's birth flower 26 National Soup Month	<ul> <li>January is the first month of the calendar</li> <li>January 20th, U.S. Presidential Day</li> <li>January 6th celebration, also known as Three Kings' Day</li> <li>January is often associated with new and fresh starts</li> <li>Popular January resolution</li> <li>Winter Olympic Games are usually held in years</li> <li>Winter month with the shortest days</li> </ul>
	3 Winter headwear to keep warm







# WINTER





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blizzard December February fireplace flannel flurries frigid frostbite frozen gloves hockey holidays hot chocolate icicle igloo jacket January longjohns mitts scarf shovel

skating skiing sleigh slippery snowballs snowboarding snowflakes snowman snowshoes solstice sweater toboggan whiteout wintertime



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