

GOOD SHEPHERD DAYCARE



These statements sound prestigious and immediately establishes authority...Nearly three decades of trusted care. Serving generations of local families. A proven foundation for your child's future. A cornerstone of our community since 1997. 29 years of laughter, learning, and love. Thank you to the families who trusted us with their most precious gifts for 29 incredible years. Good Shepherd has been around for 29 years and these were some of the thoughts I had about the program, but then I shifted my thoughts...What would God say?

Maybe He would say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." Operating a business for 29 years requires incredible resilience, patience, and integrity. In scripture, God honors endurance and honest work. In the eyes of God, children are not commodities or just clients – they are valuable gifts. A childcare provider acts as an extension of God's love and protection for the most vulnerable.

Over 29 years, this business has likely cared for thousands of children. Some of the early infants cared for are now adults in their late 20's and early 30s, bringing their own children back to the same facility. This reflects the biblical model of generational impact. "Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him." (Psalm 127:3) Jesus also made His heart clear in Matthew 19:14: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Psychologically and spiritually, the first few years of a child's life shape who they become. By providing a safe, loving, and stable environment for 29 years, this business had planted seeds of kindness, security, and peace in a generation of children. Reaching this 29-year mark is a sign that God's hand of favor and provision has been over the business. It is a milestone that calls for a look back in deep gratitude for the strength given on the hard days and the wisdom granted to make the right decisions year after year. "And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." (2 Corinthians 9:8)

As we look towards celebrating this incredible milestone for the 30th Anniversary next year, may we consider a community celebration to honor the families, staff, and divine grace that made these 29 years possible! Recently the Glen Rock Historical Preservation Society has reached out to me to help us begin the celebration by posting in their monthly newsletter a list of donations that are used within the program, to honor these past 29 years. In addition, I have been asked to speak at their meeting next August 2027 (in celebration of 30 years). For more information, their webpage can be found at <https://server1.edelts.com/~northbelltower/h/> Let's get together as one big family and begin to plan this celebration. If you are interested in helping with the planning, please reach out to me at the daycare 717-235-0553.

Blessings,
Pamela Prowell



NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2026

NEW STREET NEWS

OVER COFFEE

On a lazy, long ago summer, a church set a chalkboard on its sidewalk. At the top of the board, the church wrote the beginning of a sentence and invited anyone passing by to complete it. Chalk, of course, was provided. One conversation went like this:

Joy Is...

- Seeing deer on the lawn in the morning
- Being at peace with oneself!
- SHOOTING DEER ON THE LAWN!
- All around us... like the rushing wind
- Christ in you – the hope of glory
- Everything!
- Agreed! It's everything!
- Seeing the Lord in your children's lives.



That brief chalkboard conversation embraced joy is a gift: It can't be earned. It can't be bought, It can't be manufactured. And whether joy crosses our path or it is there all along, it is as freely abundant as the good of a world created by God who provides us with bread for the day.

Joy is also that down in your bones, deep in your heart just knowing that life is good, despite all that has gone right and wrong. It is heard when families gather to celebrate thanksgiving, seen in the face of wide eyed child on Christmas morning, and felt whenever we get up to join the risen Christ in the work he is already doing in the world.

In the Bible, joy brings Mary to sing her child who will "lift up the humble and fill hungry with good things." Joy follows angels bringing news of Christ's birth to shepherds alone in the night.

Joy fills the songs of God's people delivered from Pharaoh's hand. Joy is the feast of a Father whose lost son is home again. Joy is Jesus chasing out our fears and worries with the perfect love of heavenly Father. Joy is a fruit of the Holy Spirit. Joy led Jesus to take up His cross for the life of the world.

In his letter to the Philippian church, Paul writes that joy is for everyday:

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all," he writes, "The Lord is near."

Where God is found, joy is found. Joy is a gift.

Here's praying that you be found with God each day, that alive in Christ your work done with love, and that you rejoice in all things.

Pastor Skip

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SUNDAY SERVICE

9:30am Worship
10:30am Sunday School

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9am - 3pm

THE WELL, IMMANUEL'S OUTREACH MINISTRY

The well continues to have an average of 20-25 children every Tuesday. A new community volunteer has joined the core of volunteers. We continue to need additional volunteers. Good News Club is coming to The Well every other Tuesday, 4:30-5:30pm.

The Well is distributing an average of 90-100 free hot Grab 'n Go meals each Wednesday.

Food Pantry clients shop the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 4:00pm-6:00pm. Free Thanksgiving and Christmas food boxes will be offered to food pantry clients. Please contact Judy Flemmens if you can donate a turkey, turkey breast, or roasting chicken. Zion Lutheran, Trinity UCC, New Hope Fissels UCC are all participating in providing food items for the holiday food boxes. Thanksgiving Boxes will be distributed November 23, 4:00-6:00pm. Christmas boxes will be distributed December 21, 4:00-6:00pm.

The American Legion Riders will, again, this year, co-sponsor The Well's Christmas party Saturday, December 5th.

Although the Walk for The Well was 'rained out', donations have been received. \$2,000 was collected for The Well. We are so thankful for these donations.

Thank you to Greg Alban for his work in covering all the food pantry/storage shelves with heavy duty plastic.

None of the above would be possible without God's guidance as Immanuel lives Matthew 25:40.

THE WELL SCHEDULE

TUESDAYS FOR THE CHILDREN, 3:30pm-6:30pm

WEDNESDAYS - GRAB 'n GO LUNCH - 11:00am - 12:30PM

1st & 3rd WEDNESDAYS - THE WELL FOOD PANTRY - 4:00pm - 6:00pm

1st WEDNESDAY - FREE FOOD BOXES for SENIORS - 12:00noon - 1:00pm

4th WEDNESDAY - YCFB MOBILE BUS - 11:00am-1:00pm
(Located in the alley on Codorus Street, behind Zion Lutheran Church)

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**Please note:
The Well is closed**

November 22 - 29

December 20 - January 4

CLOSED



IN-PERSON

**Tuesday Evening
Bible Study**

7:00pm

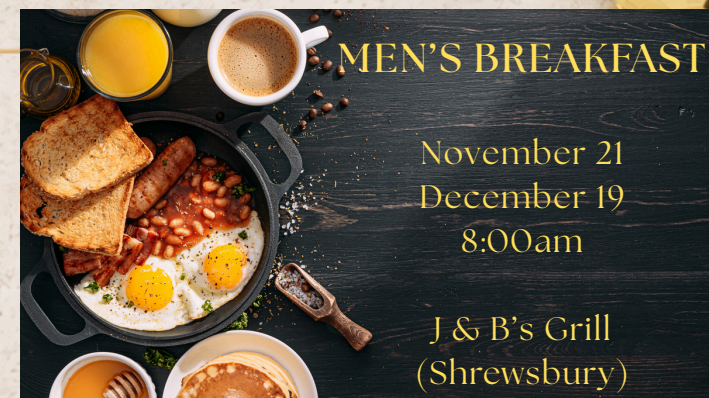
(see Pastor Skip for the
link to join us)

**THURSDAY MORNINGS AT
10:30AM**



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

MONDAY - DECEMBER 14 for the
January/February edition. Please note
that the deadline has been pushed up due
to the holidays.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

November 21
December 19
8:00am

J & B's Grill
(Shrewsbury)

IMPORTANT DATES:

**NOVEMBER 7, 1:00PM, MEET AT THE
POST 403 TO MARK THE VETERANS'
GRAVES**

**DECEMBER 19, 11:00AM, MEET AT GLEN
ROCK EMS BUILDING, CEREMONY AND
THEN TO LAY THE WREATHS AT THE 7
CEMETERIES**

**JANUARY 9, 1:00PM, MEET AT THE POST
403 TO REMOVE THE WREATHS AND
DISPOSE OF PROPERLY**

Immanuel is participating in the "Wreaths Across America" program this year, implemented by Austn L. Grove Unit 403 American Legion Auxiliary. The intent is to have enough wreaths sponsored to cover all of the graves at each of the Glen Rock cemeteries. Wreath laying is December 19. The wreaths are \$17.00. Sponsorship forms and volunteer forms are available in the Roser Entrance. Please complete the form and send it, along with payment by November 11th to:
Sharon Krout, 1415 Church St., Glen Rock, PA 17327

