

Wisdom has built her house...she has also set her table  
Proverbs 9:1a, 2b

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Join us this Sunday for worship via Zoom with Pastor Leah.

### Pastoral Care

If you need pastoral care during this time please contact:  
**Pastor Anabel, [pastoranabel@wisdomstableucc.org](mailto:pastoranabel@wisdomstableucc.org) - 717-413-7594**  
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### This Sunday we are trying something new!

We will Zoom meet our worship service at 11am. A link will be emailed to all members of Wisdom's Table and those who have received the Friends Blessing.

The service will be posted on our Facebook page at the conclusion of the service for all to view!

Members and Friends please email the [office@wisdomstableucc.org](mailto:office@wisdomstableucc.org) with your feedback on how the Sunday worship service experience was for you.

### Staff Update:

Diane Brandt has requested and was granted a leave of absence from her position as Minister of Visual Arts.



**Please hold the following people and situations in prayer:**

If you have prayer requests that you want to share in the newsletter, please email it to Pam [office@wisdomstableucc.org](mailto:office@wisdomstableucc.org)

***Please keep all those who have been infected with the virus in your prayers. Keep the medical personnel and first responders safe and healthy.***

**Thank you to all our members and friends who continue to give to the church during this difficult time.**



### Update from Rich Buckwalter

Pastor Anabel recently received a letter from Rich letting us know that he is well but is also experiencing challenges. He recently had to change cells so that a recently hospitalized inmate could have his lower bunk in the cell Rich had had. That means he has to adjust to a new cellmate he does not know and sleep on a top bunk again, which, as he says, "makes for a physical challenge at my age." Indeed! They are on lockdown during the COVID-19 situation which means meals are handed through the opening in the cell gate. He has been assigned to a group of 10 inmates who do everything together—going out to the yard, using the phone, showers and going to the gym.

Rich reports that he is able to handle the lockdown better than a lot of the guys at Huntingdon SCI. He listens to radio and watches TV. Like many of us, he is keeping up on the news. In his words: "I stay pretty well informed. Too well at times." Can't many of us relate to that? Rich reads his Bible regularly and it is a source of hope and solace for him. He treasures the letters he receives from members of Wisdom's Table who write to him, and he sends replies, writing from his bunk in his cell.

He prays daily for Wisdom's Table—what a wonderful gift he is giving us. He longs to be back with us and looks forward to that day. Please continue to pray for him and drop him a line to brighten his day.

### Don't forget to send Rich a note!

At this time all State Prisons have suspended any visitation.  
Please keep Rich in your prayers and send him a note.

Due to new state regulations all mail is processed through Florida. Rich has not moved, he is still in Huntingdon.

#### Please address your mail as listed below:

Smart Communications/PA DOC  
Richard Buckwalter NK-7086  
SCI Huntingdon  
PO Box 33028  
St. Petersburg, Florida 33733

Please remember to surround Brenda with love from Wisdom's Table!

Brenda Buckwalter  
Keystone Villa  
100 N. State St.  
Ephrata PA 17522



All people who hold meetings in our church building have been notified that the building is not to be used for meetings or gatherings or used in any way until after May 8th.

If you have a key to the building, please do not use it at this time. Pam and Tommy are periodically checking the building and trying to sanitize the surfaces.



### During this time please remember the church!

The church still needs your financial giving during these uncertain times.

Here are some ways you can continue to give to Wisdom's Table.:

1. Mail your contribution to: Wisdom's Table at St. Peter's UCC, 816 Buchanan Ave., Lancaster PA 17603 (Pam and Tommy will be making sure the mail is collected)

2. Visit Wisdom's Table's website. At the top there is a tab "How to Donate". The e-giving button is our new online giving. If you donate from your bank account to ours there is no fees. If you donate by using your credit card there are fees. You can also schedule a donation to happen monthly, yearly, weekly or a one time donation.

Our PayPal button is still available.

3. Most banks have bill pay. Visit your bank's website and make a donation through bill pay.

4. Please consider making a donation to the Jane Addams Fund. Many of our members will be experiencing difficult times in the near future.

Thank you for remembering the church!



### ELECTION DAY

PA primary is June 2nd

It is possible to request a ballot that will allow you to vote by mail. This is different from an absentee ballot and there are no conditions one must meet ~ such as being out of town on primary day. Here is the link: <https://www.pa.gov/guides/voting-and-elections/>.

Then look for the section called "Voting by mail-in ballot" for instructions.

we will keep you informed as to when we will reopen the building.



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## JANE ADDAMS FUND

### What is the Jane Addams Fund?

Wisdom's Table is a diverse congregation in many ways and one of those is socio-economic. We have seen an increasing amount of need among our members and friends who live on the economic edge. We believe that as a congregation that is focused on Social and Environmental Justice, we should respond to those among us who are facing financial need in part because of social justice issues. As such we are collecting funds on a quarterly basis that will be disbursed to those members and friends in need.

### As a member or Friend of Wisdom's Table you are eligible to apply for the Jane Addams Fund.

Applications for funds are available in the bin above the mailboxes outside the office or from a pastor. Please return the completed application to Parish Administrator, Pam Kilgore's mailbox or to a pastor. The Professional Leadership Team (Pastor Anabel, Rev. Karin and Pam) will review and make decisions about each application received based on need and funds available.

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