

The Messenger



January 2026

Happy New Year, Friends!

Years ago I wrote a daily devotional (Good Morning Sunshine). The newsletter article below is Day 1 from that book. I cannot say it better than I already have, and I've tried my best to live this out myself, and I've discovered, God's promises never fail! I hope this reminds you of that:

Good Morning Sunshine! Make it a day of Promise that turns into a year, or a lifetime, of Promise. We make resolutions on New Year's Eve; we tell ourselves we are going to be different; we are going to change who we currently are to become better. We resolve to eat better, act better, think better, be better organized, and we start out with the best of intentions, and soon enough, for most of us, we go back to our old lifestyle. The result, disappointment, guilt or even apathy, we just stop caring. We move on and basically just decide or choose that the old way of life is acceptable, and if it doesn't go well, next year this time we will resolve to do it differently again. What if we lived with Promise rather than resolutions? Scripture is full of God's promises. Aren't we blessed that our God doesn't make resolutions that are broken but provides us with promises of making all things new, promises of hope for better days, of peace and no fear, promises that we are not alone and that we are loved beyond measure? What if we held onto these promises and asked God to guide us to become better, to become who God has created us to be. Let's live this New Year with God's Promises, and with our own promises rather than resolutions, and Enjoy!

Peace, Love & Light,

Pastor Dianna

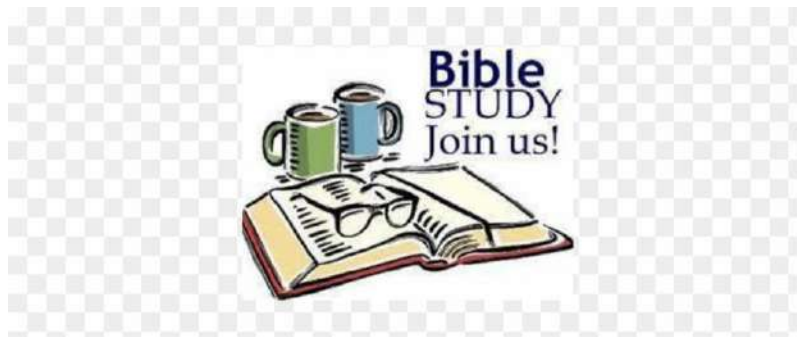


Tuesday Lunch Bible Study

* 12 pm – Lunch BYOL (“Bring Your Own Lunch”)

* 1 pm – Bible Study

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!



Confirmation Class begins Friday, January 16, 2026

Confirmation class will meet in the downstairs conference room

On Fridays from 6:30pm – 8:00pm. Please see Pastor Dianna

If you have questions, or if you haven't already, to sign up for Confirmation.

The Chosen Bible Study

A new Bible Study based on the television series “The Chosen” will begin on Thursday, January 22nd. The series is a relatable presentation of Jesus’s time on earth. The study will be held at the home of Bruce & Beth LaPenta. The video will be shown at 6:00pm, with the study to commence at 6:45pm. If interested, please contact Bruce at 732-261-4403.



Construction of Fellowship Hall continues to move forward!

The Fellowship Hall is nearly completed, as are the new bathrooms. Construction continues on the handicap bathroom by the sanctuary. Please be mindful to be careful of the construction areas for your safety!



Sunday School News

Please note that Children's Sunday school is open and welcomes all children! Children will be dismissed after the children's message.

Choir and Bells

Choir and Bell rehearsals are meeting on Wednesdays. Bells will meet from 4:30-5:30pm, and Choir will rehearse from 5:45 - 7:00pm. Come and sing and ring to the Lord!



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Flemington Area Food Pantry Suggested Donation List

Canned Cream Soup

Canned Fruit

Cereal, low sugar preferable

Canned Black Beans or White Beans

Canned Beets, low salt preferable

Muffin Mix

Mayonnaise

Body Wash

Facial Tissues Period Pads

Diapers 5 & 6

Pull-Ups, Size 3T/4T & 4T/5T

Incontinence Products Pads #6

ShopRite gift cards so we can purchase on sale items.



****Become a Member of The Flemington UMC****

At FUMC we believe that being part of a church community provides a wonderful opportunity for spiritual growth, fellowship, and service. We strive to create a warm and welcoming atmosphere where everyone feels at home and all are encouraged to get involved and connect with others. We believe that all who enter our space are part of our church community yet we invite everyone to join the church as official members and we'd love for you to consider making the Flemington UMC your official church home. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about membership, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Dianna

@ diannastone7514@gmail.com.

Welcome 2026!

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

I WANT MORE OF YOU.
AND LESS OF ME.



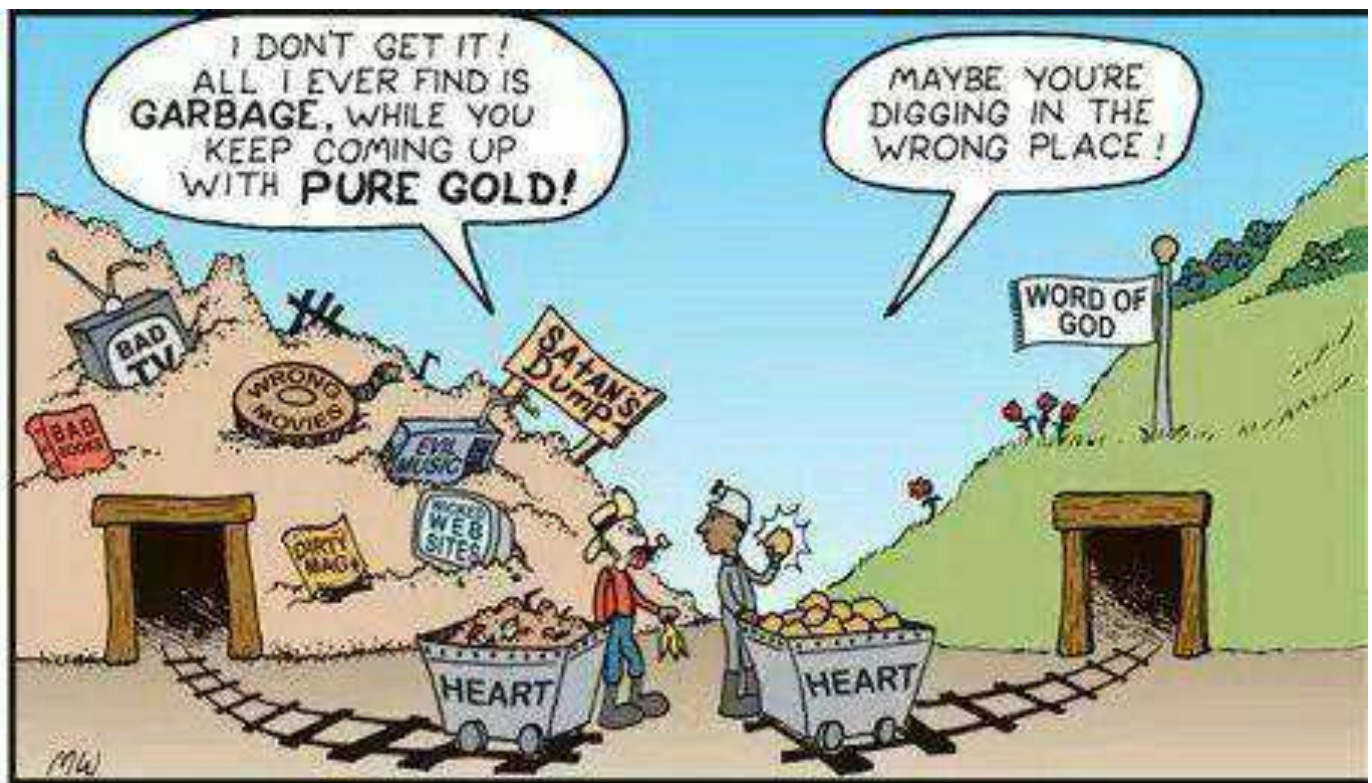
He must become GREATER, and I must become LESS
John 3:30

THINKSTOCK - Jaron



"If you listen real carefully when the breeze blows, you can hear God whispering."

from *The Joyful Noiseletter*
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Sunday Selfies!









