



## KEMPTON NEW CHURCH NEWSLETTER – February 2022

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### The LORD'S LOVE and PROTECTION

#### Psalm 23

A psalm of David.  
Jehovah is my Shepherd;  
I shall not want<sup>1</sup>.  
He makes me to lie down in pastures of  
tender herb;  
He guides me by waters of rest.  
He restores my soul;  
He leads me in paths of justice for the sake  
of His name.  
Yea, though I walk in the valley of the  
shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil;  
For Thou art with me;  
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.  
Thou arrangest a table before me  
In the presence of my adversaries;  
Thou anointest<sup>2</sup> my head with oil;  
My cup runs over<sup>3</sup>.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life:  
And I shall dwell in the house of Jehovah  
for length of days.

#### Psalm 36:5-7

O Jehovah, in the heavens is Thy mercy;  
Thy faithfulness is even to the ethers.  
Thy justice is as the mountains of God;  
Thy judgments are a great abyss;  
Man and beast Thou savest, O Jehovah.  
How precious is Thy mercy, O God!  
And the sons of man confide in the shadow  
of Thy wings.

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<sup>1</sup> be in want

<sup>2</sup> literally, "makest fat"

<sup>3</sup> literally, "has abundance"

#### Psalm 57:1

Be gracious to me, O God, be gracious to  
me;  
For in Thee my soul confides;  
And in the shadow of Thy wings will I  
have confidence,  
Until calamities be passed.

#### Isaiah 40:10-11; 28-31

Behold, the Lord Jehovah with firmness shall  
come, and His arm shall rule for Him; behold,  
His reward is with Him, and His work before  
Him.

Like a shepherd He shall shepherd His drove;  
in His arm He shall gather the young lambs,  
and shall carry them in His bosom; and He  
shall guide the sucklings....

Hast thou not known? Hast thou not heard,  
that the eternal God is Jehovah, the Creator of  
the ends of the earth?

He faints not, neither does He tire; none can  
search out His understanding. He gives power  
to the faint; and to him that has no vigor He  
multiplies strength.

The lads shall faint and tire, and the young  
men stumbling shall stumble;

but they that wait upon Jehovah shall renew  
their power; they shall go up with wings as  
eagles; they shall run, and not tire; they shall  
walk, and not faint.

#### Arcana Coelestia 1736.3

Behold the Lord Jehovah will come in strength, and  
His arm shall rule for Him. He shall feed His flock like  
a shepherd, He shall gather the little lambs in His  
arm, He shall carry them in His bosom, He shall lead  
the sucklings (Isa. 40:10-11). Here the Lord is plainly  
spoken of, who is "the Lord Jehovah." That He "shall  
come in strength," and "His arm rule for Him,"  
signifies that He would conquer the hells by His own  
power; to "feed His flock, gather the little lambs in

His arm, carry them in His bosom, and lead the sucklings," are predicated of His love or mercy.

### Arcana Coelestia 8764.8

That "wings" denote truth Divine, is also evident from the following passages:

They that await Jehovah are renewed in strength, they go up with wing like eagles (Isa. 40:31). God rode upon a cherub, and did fly, He was carried upon the wings of the wind (Ps. 18:10; 104:3); treating of the Divine truth and its power. Again:

Jehovah shall cover thee under His wing, and under His wings shalt thou confide; truth is a shield and a buckler (Ps. 91:4). "To be covered with the wing of Jehovah," and "to confide under His wings," denote the protection and confidence that belong to faith. The like is meant by being "under the shadow of God's wings" (Ps. 17:8); "confiding in the shadow of His wings" (Ps. 36:7; 57:1; 61:4); and "singing in the shadow of His wings" (Ps. 63:7).

### PASTOR'S NOTES

The Lord gives us the images of Himself as a shepherd and as a mighty eagle because we really need to be able to picture His Divine Love and Divine Wisdom in the power and fullness of the letter of His Word.

The image of the Lord as our shepherd helps us receive the comfort of His love; it helps us feel His presence in His love. He guides us as a shepherd guides His sheep: He guides us through the peaceful times along the still waters and restful times in the luscious fields; restores us when we are weary; leads us always in the right direction, comforting us in the midst of the shadow of the valley of death, in the midst of evil spirits. The Lord gives us the courage that comes from knowing He takes care of us as the perfect Shepherd. He is with us every step, guiding us all the way, feeding and anointing us so His goodness and mercy can follow us. Along the way He also picks us up and holds us close, as the shepherd holds the lamb in His bosom. All of this He does because He loves us, so we may dwell with Him in His house forever.

The image of the Lord as an eagle with strong broad wings helps us receive the comfort of His wisdom; it helps us feel His presence in His wisdom. When we are sheltered by the wings of the Lord, we can confide in Him. We can tell Him what is hurting us, what we need help with. We can take our grief to

Him and find safety. Under the mighty wings of the Lord, we will find our confidence in Him renewed. He will safeguard us with His merciful and steadfast wisdom as we seek refuge there.

These powerful images in the Word are there so that the Lord can be with us. As it says in the Psalms, "In Thy Word do I hope" (Psalm 119:114).

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**The Board of Trustees** met on January 25. The main topic of the meeting was some great news regarding contributions to annual operating costs. The Contributions Committee will be in touch with a letter providing more detail.

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### WORSHIP

- 10:00 AM services live streamed: kemptonnewchurch.org.
- Services can be heard in the library. Parents with babies or little ones are always welcome to be in there, where a basket of board books (not library books, please) is available. Please leave the room in orderly shape. Thanks!

*Sunday, February 2, 4:00 P.M.*

Memorial Service for Christopher B. Judson.  
Rev. Lawson Smith officiating. At the Kempton New Church (live stream of the service also available at kemptonnewchurch.org). A reception will follow.

We are holding the Judsons with much love.

*Sunday, February 6, 10:00 A.M. Sunday School Service. Usher/Setup: Luke Glenn*

- An opportunity to leave donations in the church kitchen for **12 care packages** for students away from home. See "Announcements". (Deadline is end of Tuesday, February 15.)

*Sunday, February 13, 10:00 A.M. Family Service Usher/Setup: Thos Powell*

- An opportunity to leave donations in the church kitchen for **12 care packages** for students away from home. See "Announcements". (Deadline is end of Tuesday, February 15.)

*Sunday, February 20, 9:00 A.M. Young Children's Service. Usher/Setup: Judah & Lydia Synnestvedt*  
*10:00 A.M. Family Service Usher/Setup: Mark Hendricks*

*Friday, February 25, 6:30 P.M. HOLY SUPPER Usher: Roger Schrock*  
*Contact Brett by noon on the 24<sup>th</sup> if wishing to partake.*

*Sunday, February 27, 10:00 A.M. Family Service Usher/Setup: Luke Heiter*

**CLASSES**

Please contact the minister leading the class if you would like to attend virtually and think you may not be on his classes e-mail list. He will share a Zoom link with you, which will let you join by phone or video.

Winter Study Classes (on the Parables) will meet according to plans made by each group.

*Wednesday, February 2, 10:30 A.M.* Winter Study Class at Old School Village. With Lawson Smith. At Joan Tuccio's – Apt. E

*Wednesday, February 9, 10:30 A.M.* Winter Study Class at Old School Village. With Lawson Smith. Host TBD.

*Friday, February 11, 7:15 P.M.* Youth Group *Conjugal Love* Class. Boyesen's at 35 Ruen Road

*Saturday, February 12, 10:00 A.M.* Parents New-to-KNCS Doctrinal Class. Brett's office

**MEETINGS**

*Tuesday, February 22, 7:30 P.M.*  
Pastors Council Meeting. Library

**EVENTS**

*Every Wednesday – February 9, 16, and 23 (not the 2<sup>nd</sup>), 3:00 P.M.* Ladies and Girls Weekly Handwork at OSV. See "Announcements".

*Saturday, February 5, 2:00 P.M.* Show-and-Tell Tea Party: A Celebration of Crafts, Handwork, and Feminine Adornment. At Old School Village Lounge. See "Announcements".

*Wednesday, February 16, 7:00 P.M.* Bell Choir Open House. Society Room. See "Announcements".

*Saturday, February 18, 8:30-11:30 P.M.* Work Party at the church and school (rescheduled from January 29). Also expected to be there: donuts and coffee! 😊

*Friday, February 25, 7:00 P.M.* "The Twelve Dancing Princesses" – Presented by the Kempton Fools Guild. At Kempton Community Center

*Saturday, February 26, 2:00 P.M.* "The Twelve Dancing Princesses" – Presented by the Kempton Fools Guild. At Kempton Community Center

**DEADLINE**

*End of Tuesday, February 15* – Items for 12 Mid-Winter CARE PACKAGES for students away from home. See "Announcements" for more details.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

There is a love of man and man, and of woman and woman; and there is a love of a man for a woman and of a woman for a man.... The love of man and man and of woman and woman do not enter deeply into the breast but stand outside and merely touch each other; thus they do not inwardly conjoin the two.... But the love between man and woman is the love between the understanding and its affection, and this enters deeply and conjoins. *Conjugal Love 55:6*

*Congratulations and Best Wishes to:*

**Legend and Anna Brown**  
on the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9 years

**Cornell and Jackie Creciun**  
on the 15<sup>th</sup> - 42 years

**Gideon and Loretta Alden**  
on the 22<sup>nd</sup> - 36 years

**Michael and Karen Heiter**  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> - 34 years

**Ted and Kelly LaMastra**  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> – 24 years

**NOTICES / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SO Wonderful!!!** Not to make those who missed the Kempton's Got Talent Show on January 22<sup>nd</sup> feel badly, but if you did miss it, you are SO sorry!  
😊

There was as much talent in the planning of the evening as there was on stage; and that's saying something. The lineup from cherub little faces singing about their losses at the poker table to Not Your Ordinary Smoothy; from breath-taking musical numbers to a touching tribute to Society members who have gone on to find how their talents contribute to the Grand Man – the whole program was sensitively arranged. And as entertaining as our intermission auctioneer (Thaddeus Glenn) was at the front of the room, turning around and watching the faces of the audience was even better: people were beaming, laughing (some mouths open in pure suspense), exchanging meaningful glances, entranced – all in one happy glow. We all walked out into the freezing night so warmed and uplifted that some even left their coats behind.

Thank you, Youth Group, for the energy you gave to the older people, for the example of participation you gave to the younger ones (the youngest of

whom were itching in their seats to emulate you). Thank you to the people who went above and beyond to create such tempting items for the auction.

Perhaps for the evening we too would appear in the Spiritual World as a single human entity, united in good will.

**Rumor Has It** the Kempton Fools Guild presentation of “The Twelve Dancing Princesses” promises to be wonderful, that you won’t be one bit sorry if you go. 😊 Did you miss the Youth Group talent show? Don’t miss this production too! 7:00 P.M. on Friday, February 25 and 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, February 26. At the Kempton Community Center.

**“Suddenly” Here Somehow: Putting Together the Yearly CARE PACKAGES – 12 of them.** 😊 **In about two weeks**, we will be sending some mid-winter cheer to six (6) gals and (6) six guys who are away at school. Would you like to help?

DEADLINE is the end of TUESDAY, February 15. Some options for delivering donations:

1. Leave in the kitchen or church/school office at any time (including after church on the 6<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>),
2. send to church/school office with a student, or
3. hand them to Mr. Dale Smith at the 12:45 P.M. school pick-up line (Mondays-Fridays).

*(If you choose strongly scented items, please wrap each one in a way that will contain the scent.)*

Also in the boxes will be the always welcome cards made by KNCS students. Thank you for your ever good-hearted support of this. We also happily accept financial contributions to help with postage; nine of the boxes need to be mailed this year (instead of going with a courier to Bryn Athyn).

**Bell Choir Open House:** 7:00 P.M. Wednesday, February 16. Society Room. We need your help! So to introduce everyone to the marvels of the bells, we are hosting an open house – an evening of bells! If anyone is interested – men, women, kids from 7th grade and up – please come. If you love music, join us for a fun communal evening of shared music and very likely a lot of laughter. Refreshments will be served as well. We hope to see you there!  
– Roxanne Genzlinger

**Contact Info:** To be given Ayisha Synnestvedt’s new mailing address, please contact the church office.

**For Sale:** Sole E-35 elliptical, hardly used - \$150; Schwinn Active Series 20 recumbent bike - \$40; Blackburn Tech Mag stationary bike trainer (used once) with CycleOps indoor bike-trainer riser climbing block - \$40. Or make offer/s!  
Thank you – Tom Capparell

**Seeking Bicycle (for Adult) in Good Condition:** To buy or inherit. Please call church office. Thanks.

**Eggs Available:** Doug Zettlemoyer (1197 Old Philly Pike and Long Hill Road) has a surplus of eggs almost every week because, since Covid, his buyers have not been buying. If anyone needs farm-fresh eggs (with good yolks!) either because you don’t own chickens or your chickens are on winter break, you can call Doug at 610-756-6606 to help out a local farmer and have delicious breakfasts! – Jennifer Cole

**(Repeat) Weekly Handwork at Old School Village:** Wednesdays at 3:00 P.M. (though not on February 2). Ladies and girls are welcome to join us in the lounge with their handwork. (There are toys and books for boys and small children to play with while mamas or sisters do their work.) Contact Anna Volden if you’re interested in learning how to knit, or bring whatever project or mending you are already working on. – Ayisha Synnestvedt

**(Repeat) Celebration of Crafts, Handwork, and Feminine Adornment – a Show-and-Tell Tea Party for Ladies and Girls:** 2:00 P.M., Sat., Feb. 5. Old School Village lounge. Please see the January 20 Note Home for full details (such as, if you don’t have something to “show,” please come anyway). Please contact Lydia Synnestvedt or Ayisha Synnestvedt with questions or offers of help.

**(Repeat) Got Pork? (New Details):** You might not have realized how easy it would be to get a freezer of delicious meat! Only \$4/lb. flat rate for a mix of cuts! Quarter, half, or whole pig. Got freezer? If you order a half or whole pig, we’ll give you 30% off a like-new chest freezer and deliver both to your door. Please text or email. Thanks – Lydia Synnestvedt

### A BIT MORE

Out of the bosom of the Air,  
Out of the cloud-folds of her garments shaken,  
Over the woodlands brown and bare,  
Over the harvest-fields forsaken,  
Silent, and soft, and slow  
Descends the snow.

– H.W. Longfellow