

# *St. Nicholas Eastern Orthodox Church*

*Stavropigia of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church - Kyivan Patriarchate*

## **Bulletin for Sunday, September 6, 2020**



**“O Lord, protect the newlyweds, Rebekah and Benjamin. Grant them Thy holy blessing, as they enter their new life.**

**By virtue of Thy Cross, grant them happiness in their new life. Give Thy blessing and grant to them good health and peace for many years.”**



*The Prokeimenon in the 8<sup>th</sup> Tone: "Thou hast set upon their heads crowns of precious stones; they asked life of Thee, and Thou gave it them."*





**On Saturday, August 29, 2020, St. Nicholas Church Members, Rebekah Sheldon and Benjamin Cliff, were married by Father Bohdan.**



**The newlyweds are pictured here on the front steps of St. Nicholas Church with their groomsmen.**





**The Saint Nicholas Patriarchal Choir sang at Rebekah and Benjamin's wedding on Saturday, August 29. The last time we heard the Choir was back in mid-March, when the COVID-19 quarantine began. The Choir returns to sing at weekly Divine Liturgy services starting Sunday, September 13.**



**The Saint Nicholas Patriarchal Choir  
with Father Bohdan**

*Andrew McGowan, Tenor; Eve Edwards, Soprano; Nancy Stott Trauger, Alto; Anthony Sinigaglio II, Bass*



# Schedule of Services

Saturday, September 5	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, September 6	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, September 12	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, September 13	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy, followed by monthly Panikhida
Saturday, September 19	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, September 20	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy
Saturday, September 26	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, September 27	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy and Elevation of the Cross, followed by ANNUAL MEETING in the Church Hall
Saturday, October 3	5:00 pm: Vespers
Sunday, October 4	9:30 am: Divine Liturgy

We are renting our "south lawn" to Citylight Church on a week-to-week basis. Weather permitting, CLC will hold its worship services Sunday mornings on our grass from 8 am-9:30 am and 11:00 am-12:30 pm. This is a TEMPORARY situation. CLC will stop renting our outdoor space when Philadelphia transitions to the Green Phase. CLC has congregational singing accompanied by a keyboard. Pastor Mike Anderson said he expects up to 50 people to attend each service. Everyone will follow COVID-19 safeguards. (CLC is NOT using our parking lot; the CLC congregation will park on 7<sup>th</sup> Street.)

Looking ahead at our Church calendar.....our Annual Parish Meeting is scheduled for **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2020**. A boxed lunch will be served to all attendees. President, Tom Hanney, will lead the meeting. This is your opportunity to hear about our accomplishments this past year and future projects. Members will vote for Council Members. We invite you to ask questions. (You may recall that our semi-annual update meeting scheduled for March 29 was canceled because of the quarantine, so there will be a lot of information to share at the September meeting.)

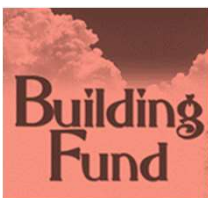
# ANNUAL MEETING



## Preparing for General Confession

Until further notice, Father Bohdan will give absolution at General Confession during Divine Liturgy just prior to Communion. However, *it is essential that you properly prepare for Confession*: fast in the morning; examine your conscience; reflect on your actions and thoughts. The Confession Prayer of St. John of Kronstadt will be read aloud by the Reader prior to receiving Communion. Please stand during the reading of this prayer.





## DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND 2020

1. Diane Kavchok, Renee Murphy,  
Vicki Borriello & Gail Osborn  
*In Memory of Victoria Patterson*

2. Anna Kuliasha

3. Colleen & Nicholas Philipp  
*In Memory of Parents/Grandparents  
Pauline and Charles John Redmond*

4. Serge & Janet Loginow  
*In Memory of Parents, Serge & Anna Loginow  
Grandparents, Harry & Ksenia Loginow  
Grandparents, John & Mary Sloma  
Uncle, Nick Sloma  
Aunt, Helen Trenchevski*

5. Vicki & Frank Borriello  
*In Honor of Susan Guz for all her work for the Church*

6. Vicki Borriello, Diane Kavchok,  
Renee Murphy & Gail Osborn  
*In Memory of Karen Niehoff*

7. Barbara McMonigle

8. Ellen & Phil Hanavin

9. Borriello Family

10. John & Susie Sobchak

11. Barbara & George Latsios  
*In Memory of Stephen and Helen Sameruck*

12. Dawn Healey

13. Father Bohdan Zhoba

14. Prof. Alexander & Halyna Kachur

15. Judy & Tom Hanney  
*In Memory of Stephen and Helen Sameruck*

16. Oksana & Victor Voloshnovskyy

17. Susan Guz

18. Diane Kavchok

19. Cassandra & Ray McNulty  
*In Memory of Helen Sameruck*

20. Anonymous

21. Susan Isaac



### Message from: Barbara Latsios, President of the Sisterhood

The St. Nicholas Church “Sisterhood of the Protection of the Holy Theotokos” would like you to reserve **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020**, for our annual luncheon following Divine Liturgy. The luncheon is our only fundraiser. We use this event each year to raise money for essential items needed in our Church by the Clergy. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults 18 and older. Children 17 and under are free of charge. The luncheon always includes a full course menu. Your attendance makes this event a success and we look forward to seeing you there. Please contact Barbara Latsios at 215-814-5384 or at [gbcl@comcast.net](mailto:gbcl@comcast.net) for reservations or additional information!

Thank you! *Barbara*



Michael Kavchok

**Our webcasts were temporarily suspended due to a Verizon technology issue. We had no hope of having our internet restored until mid-September. Then, Michael Kavchok (who works at Verizon) took charge and installation of FIOS will happen on Thursday, September 3. Thank you, Michael, and your mother, Diane, too!**  
**To “attend” a virtual service, simply click on the YouTube channel link:**  
**[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAcnmIRpplmasL-806\\_Lzrg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAcnmIRpplmasL-806_Lzrg)**



The Kitchen  
is the heart of the home  
*...and St. Nicholas Church!*



**Thanks to recent generous donations from John and Susie Sobchak and Anonymous, WE REACHED OUR GOAL! and now have all funds needed for our kitchen remodeling project! Phil Hanavin will begin the work after the Pierogi Festival in November and anticipates completing it in time for our St. Nicholas Patron Saint Luncheon on December 20.**

**THANK YOU, EVERYONE, WHO MADE PLEDGES AND DONATIONS!**



# Snapshots Through the Decades in the St. Nicholas Church Kitchen



1989



**“Stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught.”**  
2 Thessalonians 2:15



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# Snapshots Through the Decades in the St. Nicholas Church Kitchen



*2005*

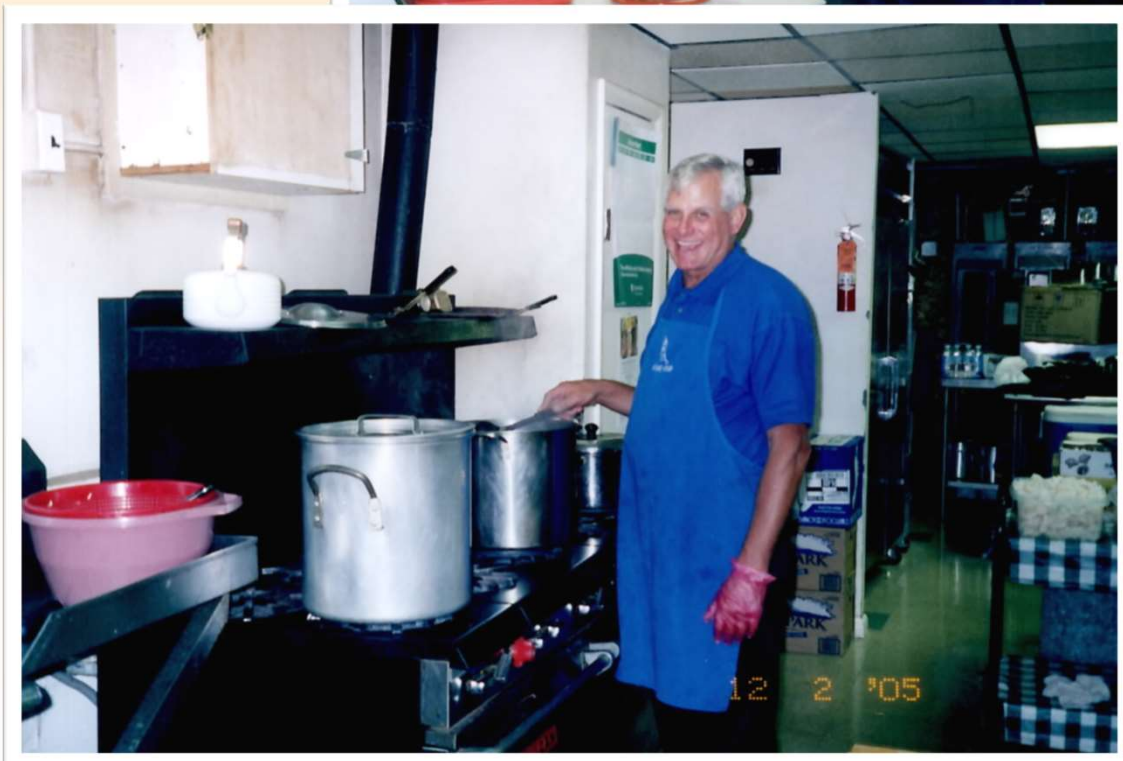




# Snapshots Through the Decades in the St. Nicholas Church Kitchen



*2005*





2019



**“How good and pleasant  
it is when God’s people  
live together in unity!”**

**Psalm 133:1**





This Week's Bulletin is Sponsored  
in honor of  
*George and Barbara Latsios*  
on their  
47<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary!

*God Grant Them Many More  
Happy and Healthy Years Together!*



## CHURCH CALENDAR 2020

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27	PARISH ANNUAL MEETING, following Divine Liturgy
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18	SISTERHOOD OF THE PROTECTION (POKROVA) OF THE HOLY THEOTOKOS LUNCHEON, following Divine Liturgy
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8	ANNUAL PIEROGI FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20	ST. NICHOLAS PATRON SAINT LUNCHEON, following Divine Liturgy

*Attention, Ladies of the  
Church: Consider joining  
the SISTERHOOD.  
Annual Dues are only \$10.  
Contact Sisterhood  
President, Barbara Latsios.*



Please remember our  
homebound parishioner:  
Ms. Anna Kuliasha  
St. Martha Center  
470 Manor Avenue  
Downingtown, PA 19335  
Tel: 610-873-8490

### ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

- Thomas J. Hanney
- Frank Borriello
- Susan Guz
- George Latsios
- Serge Loginow

### CHURCH COUNCIL

- Thomas J. Hanney, President
- Susan Guz, Vice-President
- Ellen Hanavin, Treasurer
- Frank Borriello, Secretary

### CLERGY

Very Reverend Bohdan Zhoba, Rector  
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Beautiful fresh flowers  
and herbs were blessed on  
Sunday, August 30, to  
commemorate the Feast of  
the Dormition of the  
Holy Theotokos.







### **Father Bohdan's Sermon – Sunday, August 30, 2020 – Dormition of the Holy Theotokos**

Last Friday, August 28, was the Feast of the Dormition or Falling Asleep of the Mother of God Theotokos – the assumption of Mary to heaven from earth. This feast commemorates the death, resurrection and glorification of Mary. And it is the custom in the Orthodox church to bless flowers on this day – as we did today. Mary died without illness, peacefully and with every virtue. Her soul was taken up in the divine hands of her Son and carried up into the heavenly kingdom accompanied by the singing of angels. Mary's most pure body was then carried by the apostles to Gethsemane where it was honorably buried, and on the third day it was resurrected and taken up to heaven. You see this event depicted on the icon of the "Dormition of the Theotokos." The body of the Theotokos is surrounded by the apostles and in the center of the icon is the Lord holding in His hands the most pure soul of the Theotokos. The feast of the Dormition is the sign, the guarantee, and the celebration that Mary's fate is the destiny of ALL Christian believers. What happens to Mary happens to all who imitate her holy life of humility, obedience and love. And we forever ask her to intercede on our behalf. AMEN.





Altar Candles: \$35;  
Analog Candles: \$25  
Sunday Vigils: \$2;  
Annual Vigils: \$100  
Bulletin Sponsor: \$25

#### SUNDAY VIGILS

1. For the health of Ellen Hanavin, offered by Susan Guz
2. For the health of Robert Wohar on our 49th Anniversary, offered by Marianne
3. For the health of our dad/husband Robert on his birthday, offered by Marianne, Michael, Andrew, Amy and Anastasia
4. For the health of and congratulations to Anastasia Wohar and Tom Wingert on the occasion of their micro wedding, offered by Mom, Dad, Michael, Andrew and Amy
5. For the health of and congratulations on your marriage, Rebekah and Benjamin, Love, Ellen Hanavin
6. For the health of Susan Guz, for the work she does for the church, Love, Ellen
7. For the health of Diane Kavchok and her son, Michael Kavchok, with appreciation, offered by Susan Guz

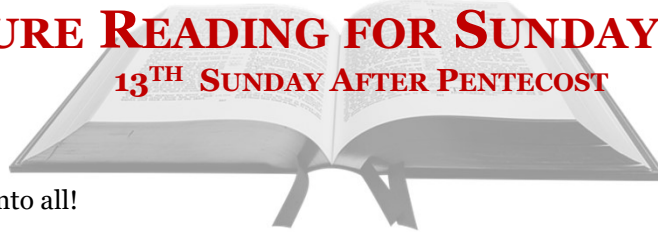
#### ANNUAL VIGILS

1. +The Repose of the soul of Carol Dantine, offered by David Dantine, Jr. and Family. exp. 11/1/21
2. +The Repose of the souls of George and Barbara Wohar, offered by Barbara McMonigle and Family. exp. 11/1/20
3. +The Repose of the souls of John and Helen Guz, and John and Mary Dzwonczyk, offered by daughters/granddaughters Patricia Walker and Susan Guz. exp. 12/31/20
4. +The Repose of the souls of Helen and Michael Zaruba, and Christina and Christopher Natale. May Their Memory Be Eternal. Offered with love by Daughter/Sister/Aunt, Marcia O'Connor. exp. 10/1/21
5. +The Repose of the souls of All Members of the Sisterhood Fallen Asleep in the Lord, offered by the Sisterhood of the Pokrova. exp. 10/13/20
6. +The Repose of the souls of the Boljarevich Family, Anastasia (Nancy) Yarosh, Helen Kon, Helen and John "Whitey" Horbacz, Harry Mason, Sophie Gamble, Michael Zaruba and John Martin. PERPETUAL
7. +The Repose of the soul of my beloved husband, our devoted father and grandfather, Jack Kavchok. May his memory be eternal! Offered with love, Diane, John, Michael, Melissa, Makenzie, Riley and Kylie. exp. 8/1/21
8. +The Repose of the souls of Emil and Helen Levchenko offered by daughter, Ellen Hanavin. exp. 12/31/20
9. +The Repose of the souls of Irina and Michael Sierp, Konstantin, Olga, Lydia and Juris Teterski, Richard Boswell, and the health of all living members of the Teterski, Sierp, Boswell and Lis Families, offered by Susan Lis. exp. 9/18/20
10. +The Repose of the soul of our mother and grandmother, Helen Marx, offered by Victoria, Frank, Christopher, Stephanie, Julia, Nicholas, Krissy, Nathan and Morgan Borriello. exp. 4/19/21
11. +In memory of John and Susan Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/20
12. +In memory of Paul Stetsuk, offered by Susan Isaac. Exp. 12/31/20
13. +In memory of Vera, Richard and Paul Wienckowski, offered by Susan Isaac. exp. 12/31/20
14. +In memory of Evelyn Atlee, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 12/31/20
15. +In memory of Nadia Borriello, offered by the Borriello Family. exp. 5/31/21
16. +In loving memory of our mother Lillian Fox, offered by Renee Murphy, Gail Osborn & Families, exp. 9/1/21
17. +In loving memory of our sister, Karen Niehoff, offered by Renee Murphy, Gail Osborn & Families, exp. 9/1/21
18. +The Repose of the souls of the Kowal Family: Andrew, Paraskeva, Andrew, Catherine, Susan, John, Nionila, Anna, David, Franklin Shultz and Edward Barrett, offered by Drew Kowal. exp. 11/1/20
19. For the health of Mykhailo, Tetiana, David, Svitlana, Vitaliy, Marina, Viktor, Ilona, Bogdan, Oleksandra, Volodymyr, Halyna, Victoria, Mykola, Father Bohdan Zhoba and his family, and in memory of Mykhailo, Yaroslav, Anna, Petro, Bohdan, Anna, Veronika, Tetiana, Oleksander, Diana, Olga, Hrystyna, Dimitriy and Diana, offered by Michael, Tetiana and David Kuchmiak. exp. 12/31/20
20. For the health of Viktor, Oksana, Volodymyr, Anna-Diana, Vasyl, Maria, Mykhailyna, Anna, Olga, Mykola, Marianna, Oksana, Olga, Roman, Olga, Iryna-Olesia, Bohdan, Volodymyr; +In memory of Anna, Sophya, Volodymyr, Joseph, Petrunellia, Vasyl, Maria, Pavlo, Maria, Petro, Stepan, Anna, Stepania, Vasyl, Maryna, offered by Oksana and Victor Voloshnovskyy. exp. 9/1/21
21. +The Repose of the souls of Stephen and Helen V. Sameruck, offered by Barbara Latsios, Judy Hanney and families. exp. 10/25/20



# THE SCRIPTURE READING FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



**PRIEST:** Let us attend! Peace be unto all!

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

**READER:** The Prokeimenon in the 4<sup>th</sup> Tone: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all!

**CHOIR:** O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all!

**READER:** Bless the Lord, O my soul! O my God, Thou art very great! O Lord, how manifold are Thy works!

**CHOIR:** In wisdom hast Thou made them all!

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

**READER:** The reading is from the Corinthians.

**PRIEST:** Let us attend!

**READER:** Brothers...Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. I urge you, brethren, you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints- that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us. I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied. For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men. The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. The salutation with my own hand-Paul's. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen. **(1 Corinthians 16:13-24)**

**PRIEST:** Peace be unto thee, Reader.

**READER:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** Wisdom!

**READER:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! **CHOIR:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**READER:** Go forth, prosper and reign because of truth and meekness and righteousness.  
You love righteousness and hate iniquity.

**CHOIR:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**PRIEST:** Wisdom! Let us attend! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel. Peace be unto all.

**CHOIR:** And to thy spirit.

**PRIEST:** The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

**CHOIR:** Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.

**PRIEST:** Let us attend. Hear another parable: There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.' So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers? They said to Him, "He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. This was the LORD's doing, And it is marvelous in our eyes?'" **(Matthew 21:33-42)**

**CHOIR:** Glory to Thee, O Lord, glory to Thee.





Dear Parishioners:

Weekly offering envelopes for the Church Year September 2020 to August 2021 are ready for pick-up in the entrance foyer.

Members: Your boxes are marked with your names.

Other Parishioners: Please let Diane Kavchok -- kavchokd@aol.com -- know if you want a box of envelopes assigned to you as we have extra available.

Advantages to using envelopes:

- We keep track of your donations and at tax time, Diane can provide you with an accurate accounting of your tax-deductible contribution to the Church.
- Included in the box of envelopes are envelopes for specific events/needs, e.g., Sunday School Offering, Patron Saint, Christmas, Easter, Air Conditioning...gentle reminders that your Church can always use your generous additional help.



If you prefer a more “21<sup>st</sup> Century” method of giving:

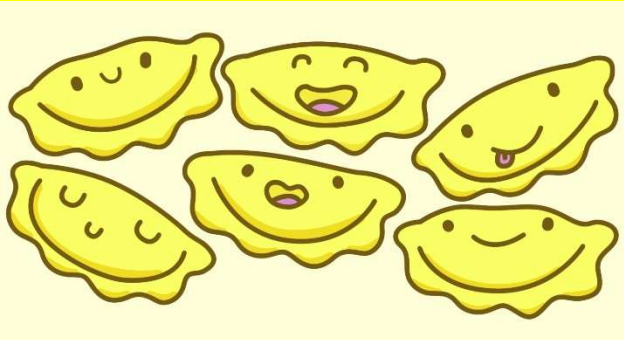
Simply go to our Church website

**[stnicholaseoc.org/donate](http://stnicholaseoc.org/donate)**

- Scroll down to choose the Fund you wish to support  
*(Benevolent Fund, Building Fund, Choir Fund, Endowment Fund or Operating Fund. You can even pay your Annual Membership Dues online).*
- Your contribution is automatically deposited into the Church’s bank account – and you will be emailed a receipt.

*Simple, easy....and greatly appreciated!*





# PIEROGI FESTIVAL 2020

## November 7-8

**Parishioner RENEE MURPHY is designing "themed" gift baskets to be raffled at our Pierogi Festival in November. The Festival is our biggest fundraiser for St. Nicholas Church. Please help and donate one or more of these suggested items. Renee will then create beautiful baskets - and the Church will benefit.**

### TAILGATE FUN BASKET

- Big cooler
- 2-4 12 packs of soda
- Bags of chips and pretzels
- Football
- Yard game (Ladderball)
- Gift card to a grocery store



### CHRISTMAS COOKING BASKET

- Cookie pans, cookie cutters, cookie decorating kits
- Sprinkles
- Muffin pans
- Spatula
- Rubber scraper
- Parchment paper
- Spices
- Gift card to a grocery store



### FALL TREATS BASKET

- Pumpkin spice coffee
- Pumpkin pancake mix
- Pumpkin muffin mix
- Apple cider mix
- Fall-scented candle



### SWEET TREATS BASKET

- 50 full-sized candy bars

### "PAMPER ME" BASKET

- Candles, facial masks, loofah, essential oils, bath bombs, etc.
- Gift card for spa service (facial, pedicure, massage)

### PHILLIES BASKET

- Anything Phillies or baseball themed
- Peanuts, Crackerjacks
- Gift card to a Phillies game



### ITALIAN NIGHT BASKET

- Pasta
- Olive Oil
- Tomato Sauce
- Oregano
- Salami
- Cheese



### FUN FOR KIDS BASKET

- Playing cards, games, snacks
- Gift card to RiverRink, Linvilla Orchards, Johnson's Corner Farm, miniature golf
- Gift card for online games
- Microwave popcorn



### WINTER SURVIVAL BASKET

- Hot chocolate mix
- Hat, gloves, scarf
- Sled
- Shovel
- Cozy blanket
- Car snow scraper



### DONATE A GETAWAY

If you own a time share or rental property, consider donating a weekend getaway

### DONATE A ROUND OF GOLF

If you are a member of a golf club, consider donating a round of golf for 2-4 people

**GIFT CARDS:** Target, ShopRite, Acme, Walmart, Trader Joe's, Whole Foods and Amazon gift cards are always welcome!

### DATE NIGHT BASKET

- Gift card to a restaurant
- Redbox gift card
- Wine glasses
- Chocolates



### EAGLES BASKET

- Anything Eagles themed



### FLYERS BASKET

- Anything Flyers themed

### OTHER LARGER ITEMS

- Bicycle
- Flatscreen TV
- iPad
- Videogame console
- Cornhole game



### DONATE A SERVICE

- 1 hour of cleaning
- Paint a room
- Personal chef for 10 people for breakfast
- Oil changes
- Will preparation
- Simple tax return preparation
- Fall yard cleanup
- Car detailing



# Thank You

**Your raffle basket items can be dropped off in the Church Office.  
Or contact Renee to make other arrangements: [fmurphy5@comcast.net](mailto:fmurphy5@comcast.net)**