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2020 Cares Act Offers Tax Incentives

Most if not all of us are aware of the stimulus package that was passed this spring. A component of that package (the 2020 CARES Act)

is an added tax deduction for many people donating to charitable organizations. For people who do not itemize their charitable giving, the CARES Act will allow them to deduct donations to charity of up to \$300 of their 2020 Federal Tax Return, even though they take the standard deduction of up to \$600. For people who are still able to itemize their deductions, and therefore directly write off gifts to charity, the current deduction cap is 60% of adjusted gross income*.

Corporations can deduct charitable donations up to 10% of taxable income.

The CARES Act lifts these caps to 100% for individuals and joint filers, while corporations will see their cap lifted to 20% for 2020. These are truly substantial changes to the tax treatment of donations. For individuals, it could theoretically mean zero taxable income if someone gives big.



For more information on the possible impact on your taxes, talk to your tax preparation professional.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

St. John's Childhood Center is seeking a teacher to create a loving, fun, creative and play-based environment for their Pre-K Counts classroom. The Pre-K teacher will manage all aspects of the classroom with the help of an aide. Together, they will lead children in purposeful play, plan and implement teacher chosen lesson plans, record and report assessments and conference with parents. The teacher will also conduct home visits to help establish a relationship to transition children from home to school. The classroom size is no more than 14; 7 being in Pre-K.

A work week is approximately 35 hours, Monday thru Friday with eleven paid holidays and paid sick time. This is a nine month (182 days) position and can be a twelve month position, if desired. A Bachelor's Degree is required. Early Childhood Education or Elementary Education is desired.

Please send a letter of interest and a resume to: office4stjohns@gmail.com or mail to: St. John's Childhood Center PO Box 439 Millheim, PA 16854.

TRINITY EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 12

YouTube Service w/Bulletin Emailed

MONDAY, JULY 13

7:00 pm Beach Calling Group Zoom

TUESDAY, JULY 14

5:00 pm Trinity Wheelmen

5:45 pm Outdoor Zumba

THURSDAY, JULY 16

5:45 pm Outdoor Zumba

7:00 pm Prayer/Social Group Zoom

SATURDAY, JULY 18

10:00 am Outdoor Zumba

SUNDAY, JULY 19

YouTube Service w/Bulletin Emailed

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Jerry Wion, Carolyn Kresen,
Carol Bernlohr, Dee Kiel,
Donna Weller, Chloe Webb

TLC FRIENDS

James Brigman, Pete & Linda
Phillips-Ferry, Rachel, Dan,
Audre, Shirley Bennett, Jayne &
Karl

Readings

Isaiah 55:10-13

Psalms 65:[1-8] 9-13

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23



IHS Online Auction Items

This fall Interfaith Human Services will be holding an online auction to support our work in Centre county. We are currently asking our friends, faith communities and the public to donate items for our auction. IHS seeks items such as gift cards, new merchandise, experiences (a weekend at your camp, a day on Lake Raystown with you etc..), gift baskets, and antiques. If you have an item you would like to donate and are not sure about it being suitable just call us at 234-7731. We will be happy to arrange the pick up of items that is convenient and safe for you.

The ongoing restrictions related to COVID-19 have necessitated the cancellation and/or delay of critical fund raisers and we hope that this online event will help make up for those events. Please share this with your friends, faith community, civic group or employer.

**PEOPLE KEEP ASKING
"IS COVID 19 REALLY THAT SERIOUS?"**

LISTEN UP

CASINOS AND CHURCHES ARE CLOSED

**WHEN HEAVEN AND HELL
AGREE ON THE SAME THING**

IT'S PROBABLY PRETTY SERIOUS

**Yesterday my
husband thought he
saw a cockroach in
the kitchen. He
sprayed everything
down and cleaned
thoroughly. Today I'm
putting the cockroach
in the bathroom.**

NEXT DEEPER WATERS – YOUTH COOKOUT

Sunday, July 26, 2020

5 – 7 PM

Bring a lawn chair and a face mask



Menu

Pulled Pork Sandwiches

Meatball Sandwiches

Cooked Vegetables

Veggie Tray

Drinks

S'mores (some cooking and assembly required)

Invited

Deeper Waters Students, Youth and their Families

Sunday School Students and Families

If attending

Contact Pastor Ron

TLCRevRon@comcast.net



FAITH FORMATION AT HOME - FAMILIES

BRIEF FAITH ACTIVITIES TO DO AT HOME.

FULL FREE LESSONS CAN BE FOUND ON VIBRANT FAITH CATALYST



The Story of Harriett Tubman

Harriett Tubman lived about 200 years ago in the United States at a time when slavery was allowed. She was born as a slave, because her mother and father were slaves. Often slaves were treated very badly by those who owned them and those who were not slaves. Not everyone thought slavery was ok, but many people did, and escaping was dangerous. Harriett knew that slavery was wrong, and she started out on a long and dangerous journey to escape.

Harriett had to travel hundreds of miles to get to a place where she would be safe, but she trusted God the whole time. Many people helped her along the way by giving her directions, food and shelter. During her journey, she spent time hiding in an attic, a haystack, and a hole in the ground used to store potatoes as she waited for the right time to continue to travel. Finally, she made it to Pennsylvania, which was a state that allowed people who had been slaves to be free. When Harriett got there, and knew she was really free, she said "I felt like I was in heaven". Harriett knew that God was calling her to help other people be free and have that same feeling that she did.

Harriett spent many years of her life doing just that. She became one of the best-known conductors on what was called the *Underground Railroad*. This railroad wasn't a real railroad with trains, but it was more like a secret path that only a few people knew. Slaves who had escaped could follow this path to a safe place where they could be free. Harriett was their guide and helped hundreds of slaves escape.

Harriett and the slaves usually had to travel at night to stay hidden, and Harriett said that she listened carefully for God's voice, and she would only go when she felt that God was telling her it was safe. Her friend, Thomas Garrett said "I never met any person...who had more confidence in the voice of God" than Harriett.

Harriett's nickname was Moses. In the Bible, Moses listened to God and led God's people out of slavery in Egypt to a safe land that God promised to them. You may know about Moses from some Bible stories. He led the people across the Red Sea and through the wilderness. Even though Harriett lived thousands of years after Moses, she also led people through dangerous areas and worked to keep them safe until they reached a place where they could be free.

Harriett guided people to freedom because she knew that this was the way that she could serve God and listen to God's voice. Many people were safe and free because she trusted God, even when the journey was dangerous and scary. Harriett Tubman always believed that God was with her.

Let's remember to thank God for people like Harriett who trusted God and helped other people become free. We can also remember that God is always with us and using us as well.

Thank you God, for Harriett Tubman and for people like her. Help me to trust you and find ways I can help others too. Amen.