



1 W. Wyomissing Ave., Mohnton, PA 19540

February 2nd – February 8th, 2025

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*Connect with God.
Connect with each other.
Connect with the community.*

What Is Your Legacy

1/26/25 Sermon by Pastor Nova; Scripture: Luke 4:14-21

Today, we will reflect and study the life and habits of Jesus Christ, as captured in Luke 4:14-21. This passage reveals a defining moment in Jesus' ministry, but it also points to something deeper—His daily customs, His intentional habits, and the legacy He left for us to follow. As we explore this, we will also honor the life and faith of a beloved member of our church, John Rowe, whose legacy continues to inspire us all.

THREE WORDS TO REMEMBER: CUSTOM, PURPOSE & LEGACY

1. Custom

V16 - 17 He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read.

Let's take a moment and let that word sink in - as was his custom.

The Greek word translated as "custom" here is εἰθός (eiōthos), which is derived from the verb ἔθω (ethō), meaning "to be accustomed" or "to be in the habit of." This word emphasizes that Jesus regularly and habitually attended the synagogue, highlighting His consistent practice of engaging in worship and scripture study.

Even as the Son of God, He did not neglect gathering with God's people. This was His rhythm of life, rooted in obedience and devotion to God. If Jesus, who is perfect and lacked nothing, made it a priority to gather with others to worship and study Scripture, how much more should we? His custom teaches us that faithfulness to the community of God is not optional; it's foundational.

Yesterday, our family gathered and celebrated our Christmas party. We cooked foods and prayed and ate together. Just enjoying God's goodness and the fellowship of each other. It is also our custom to have a *monito* Monita, or secret Santa. After eating we sing, *I love my Monita, yes, I do....*

Even though it is almost February, we make it appoint to gather and celebrate together. because it is our custom. A year is not complete without it.

What are your family's customs?

~ Sermon *cont'd* on pg. 3



February 2nd, 2025

8:00AM ~ Praise Service

9:15AM ~ Sunday school

10:30AM ~ Traditional Service

Pastor Nova, preaching

Scripture: mark 8:27-38

New Sermon Series:

Fresh Start, Wk. #1

Are You Sure You're Up for This?

**Restarting the
"Not by Choice"
Widow/Widower Group
...but ALL ARE INVITED!**

**First lunch outing will be
Feb. 19, 2025 ~ 11:30AM at
LongHorn Steakhouse,
Wyomissing**

**RSVP to Linda Chandler
484-269-8200**

In It to Gather

**CALVARY SENIORS & FRIENDS
MEETING FOR FELLOWSHIP,
LEARNING. & FUN!**

**On Thursday, February 6th,
Calvary seniors (and friends)
are invited to attend an "In It
to Gather" event at Calvary in
the Chapel beginning at 12PM.**

◆ **Lunch will be provided.**

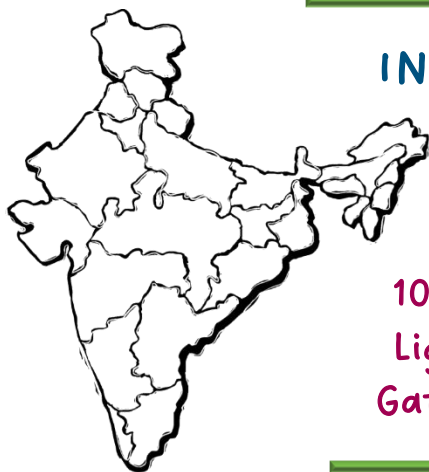
◆ **A local historian will talk
about Berks County history,
specifically its settlement,
local Indians, and the French
and Indian war in this area.**

◆ **A fun activity after the
speaker to conclude the
afternoon.**

**PLEASE RSVP TO THE
CHURCH OFFICE (610-777-8441).**



Continuing to
collect donations
of soup for the
Mifflin Food
Ministry through
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 9th.
Collection table
in the Gathering
Area.



INDIA SUNDAY ~ February 16th

**Celebrating & Sharing
the Good Shepherd Mission Trip
during the 8AM (Praise) and
10:30AM (Traditional) Services.
Light refreshments served in the
Gathering Area after the 10:30AM**



- 02 - Marlowe Martin
19 E. Fairview Street
Mohnton, PA 19540
- 04 - Jule Bonacci
48 Tee Cir.
Reading, PA 19607
- 07 - Julie McGettrick
1111 Wyomissing Rd.
Mohnton, PA 19540
- 08 - Jeff Feiler
3314 Pequot Dr.
Sinking Spr., PA 19608
- 08 - Jake Erb
113 Pennypacker Rd.
Mohnton, PA 19540

**New Member's Class
Sunday, Feb. 16th
[after India Sunday light refreshments]**

**New Member's Join
Sunday, Feb. 23rd
during the 10:30AM service**

~Sermon, cont'd from pg. 1

2. Purpose

In Luke 4:21, the phrase “**Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing**” includes the Greek word for “fulfilled,” which is: **πεπλήρωται** (*peplērōtai*).

Breakdown of the word: Root verb: πληρώω (*plēroō*), meaning “to fill,” “to make full,” or “to fulfill.”

This indicates that the action of fulfillment is complete and has ongoing results.

When Jesus the Son of God was born and dwelt among us, He was on a mission, His life was purpose driven and had a clear purpose: to bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives, give sight to the blind, and set the oppressed free. He fulfilled these words not just in grand acts, but in daily faithfulness. A Christian’s life is one of following Jesus. When we examine His life, we see consistency and commitment to His mission. Our faith is not just about what we believe; it’s about how we live our purpose daily.

Are we leaving a legacy of faith, and purpose like Jesus did? Are we showing up, serving, and proclaiming the good news in our own mission field. Remember last week our message is where is your mission field, now I ask, are we fulfilling our purpose in our mission field? Following Jesus means living up to the divine purpose God created us to be.

3. Legacy

Today, we honor the memory of John Rowe, a longtime member of our church whose life mirrored the faithfulness of Jesus. John wasn’t just someone who attended church; he was someone who embodied the heart of the church.

As a Sunday School Superintendent, he poured himself into teaching and shaping the faith of others, especially the younger generation. Who here became Mr. Rowe’s student?

But what stands out most is John’s story of resilience and faith. John lived with a sense of purpose, serving God as a teacher with all his heart. John’s life reminds us that our legacy is not about how long we live but about how we live. His customary habit of serving, teaching, and loving others was his way of following Jesus. And though he is no longer with us, his impact lives on in this church and in the lives he touched.

What Is Your Legacy?

So, let me ask you this again: What is your legacy? What habits are you building today that will impact tomorrow? When people look at your life, will they see someone who followed Jesus with all their heart?

Building a legacy doesn’t require extraordinary talent or fame. It requires faithfulness. It means showing up, like Jesus did, to worship and serve. It means being intentional about your influence, like John Rowe was. It means living a life that points others to Christ.

Friends, what will your legacy be? Let’s make it one that honors God and blesses others. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

COLLECTING SODA TABS IN SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS, BERKS, INC.

Community Connections serves young adults in our area who live with serious health challenges. In order to support other families and children who experience similar serious disability challenges and expensive medical bills, a drive to collect a world record number of soda tabs has started.

From now until Tuesday, May 20th, Calvary members and friends are asked to collect soda tabs, bring them to church, and place them in the bottle on the back counter in the narthex.

The soda tabs will be given to the Ronald McDonald House in Central PA to support families with housing and meals while a child is receiving medical care at Hershey Medical Center.

Currently, Canada holds the world record for number of tabs collected ~ 6.2 million, with a total weight of over 5,000lbs! It takes 1,200 tabs to equal one pound.

Let’s help support this worthwhile community endeavor!





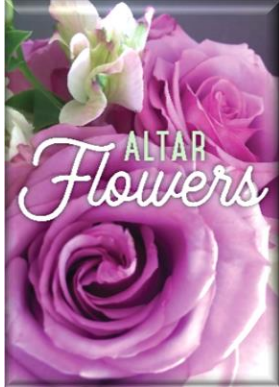
**FEBRUARY MIFFLIN COMMUNITY
FOOD MINISTRY NEEDS:**

Canned Peaches
Canned Pineapple
100% Juice

Canned Ravioli
Toilet Paper
Instant Potatoes



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED on Sat., 2/15 from 8:30-11:30AM to help with the food distribution and carrying grocery bags outside for client pick up in the parking lot. No RSVP necessary. Any amount of your time is greatly appreciated.



The 2025 altar flower calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Feel free to sign-up for any Sunday(s) you would like to sponsor the altar flowers. Remember to put the date(s) you choose in your calendar! Royer's and Stein's Flowers both have keys to the church and can pick up the altar vases to fill and deliver back to the church. Please be sure to take your flowers home after the worship services have concluded.

Pray for the families of
the victims of the plane &
helicopter crash in D.C.



Journey of Healing

I HAVE **HEARD** YOUR PRAYER;
I HAVE **SEEN** YOUR TEARS.

BEHOLD,
I WILL **HEAL** YOU."

2 KINGS 20 :5, ESV



**District-wide event sponsored by
Calvary, Lincoln Mark & St. Matthew's UMCs.
Wednesday, February 26th,
at 7:00PM at Lincoln Park UMC**



MICHELLE DANIELS IS DOING WELL, SHE'S GRATEFUL TO BE HOME AND ABLE TO USE ALL THE AREAS ON BOTH LEVELS OF HER HOUSE WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A NEW STAIR LIFT. PLEASE PRAY THAT SHE CONTINUES TO GAIN STRENGTH.