

## Women's Fellowship Annual Report 2016

The Women's Fellowship of Denmark Manor Meets four times a year; February, May, September, and November. September is our planning meeting for the next year. The purpose of this group is to support the mission of our church through our helping hands and financial support from the funds we raise during the year.

Each meeting opens with a brief devotion, reading, or program that is of interest to this group. Some have been quite amusing as we enjoy our fellowship along with enhancing our spiritual growth. Upon occasion, we include a craft that is fun for all women.

A great deal of our time at meetings is spent discussing concerns for many of our church families that have illnesses or other problems. We are a very caring group, praying for our church and all the families that we touch.

Women's Fellowship purchases *The Upper Room* in both regular and large print which are available in the back of the church. We also provide the cards and stamps that we send to shut-ins or members who are ill or in the hospital. We support other projects of the Mission Team as needed such as paying the postage for hygiene kits and school kits. We also purchase decorations for the sanctuary as requested. We make regular donations to St. Paul Homes, St. Barbara's Food Bank, Westmoreland County Foodbank, and Westmoreland Churches Committee for emergency aid. When the choir's practice keyboard failed, we were able to purchase a new one for them. We provided funds to send care packages to our college students. We also provide the funeral lunches for the families of our church. This year we served five funeral meals.

Our funeral luncheons are managed by Lynn Zimmerman, who makes calls to our members, and coordinates the meal after the service. These meals happen because of the contributions and assistance of many members of our church and provide a measure of comfort to families at their time of loss.

At Christmas, we remember our shut-ins by visiting them and delivering gifts and cards. This year our members visited eleven shut-ins.

Our Meetings for 2017 are scheduled for:

March 8, 2017

May 10, 2017

September 13, 2017 (our planning meeting)

Our officers are:

President – Debi McIlvaine

Vice President –Joni Mattei

Treasure – Doris Walk

Next year we are planning "Ladies' Lunch and Laughter" event on Saturday, May 20, 2017. Watch for more information.

We welcome all the ladies of Denmark Manor to join us at any or all of our meetings. We are always open to new ideas and new avenues of service.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debi McIlvaine