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disasters such as hurricanes, earthquakes and floods. Scammers often use names which are close enough to established charities to fool the casual listener or reader. Before you donate, do some research using charity rating groups like Charity Navigator and the Wise Giving Alliance.

Fake Advertisements You see an offer heavily discounted on "name brand" goods, and make an online purchase. The site is in reality, a collection point for credit card information which will be used by scammers to test the credit limits on your card. You may be able to avoid this problem by using a secure Internet connection and checking the website's URL to make sure it begins with https:// not http://. The "s" stands for secure and indicates information transferred on this site is encrypted and less vulnerable to theft.

There are many organizations which track scams and warn the public. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Better Business Bureau (BBB) are two. The FTC regularly updates the part of its website dedicated to exposing scams and schemes to keep consumers and businesses alert.

## Calendar March 2022

- 2,9, 16, 30 Choir practice 7 PM
- 2 Ash Wednesday service 7 PM (choir practice following)
- 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Lenten Bible Study begins 6:30 PM with meal fellowship hall. All you need is your Bible.
- 6 Duane Radcliffe speaking, 50<sup>th</sup> celebration 10:15 service, catered meal following
  District Conference 3 PM Zoom
- 8 11 AM worship fellowship hall
- 15 Trustees 7 PM fellowship hall
- 28 Staff Parish 7 PM fellowship hall

#### **Sermon titles & texts**

- 6 March
  "Opportune Time"
  Luke 4:1-13
- 13 March
  "Who Comes in the Name of the Lord?"
  Luke 13:31-35
- 20 March
  "Preparation"
  I Corinthians 10:1-13
  Luke 13:1-9
- 27 March
  "A New Creation"
  2 Corinthians 5:16-21

# **Essentials Project**

organized by the Becomer's Class
\*Donations can be dropped off in the Sanctuary

Items Needed:
girls' underwear (large sizes
preferred)
Hanes and/or Fruit of the Loom
4 pk or 6 pk
Gift bags in which to discreetly take
the items home are needed

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Sunday Schedule: 8:15 AM Worship 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship

Remember Paoli United Methodist Church in you will. Contact Skip Lambdin, endowment chair, skipl1963@gmail.com or 812-345-3873.

50th Anniversary Celebration year March 2022







#### **March Birthdays**

- 2 Margaret Mathers
- 3 Diane Dillard
- 4 Lily Hall
- 5 Matt Bowen
- 7 Margaret McGiveney
- 8 Adam Mills
- 13 Mary LaVerne Boston
- 16 Rex Hudelson
- 18 Michael Harmon
- 21 David Mathers
- 22 Darek Newkirk
- 30 Larry Jones Laura Gilmore
- 31 Shirley Padgett

#### **March Anniversaries**

- 6 Irvin & Darlene McBride
- 7 Kevin & Rhonda Mills
- 26 Ryan & Brenda Eubank

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### **Secretarial Help Needed at church**

Church has been without a secretary since August 2021. We need the congregation's help to find someone to work 20 hours a week. 8-3 PM M-Thursday

# Healthy Skepticism

Watch Out for These Common Fraud Scams

There are a lot of scams out there. Let's start with some basic information. The main item scammers seek is your Social Security number (SSN). They may obtain your SSN by simply calling you. The call may go like this: You get a call from someone claiming to be from the Social Security Administration, and the caller tells you your SSN has been "suspended" because of suspicious activity. Then they will ask you to verify your SSN, just to be sure you really are the person who owns the account.

No matter what a caller tells you, the Social Security Administration states it never places such calls. The same is true of the IRS. Do not be fooled by your caller ID, which may be adjusted to be used as part of the scam. Thieves mimic actual phone number, even for government agencies.

What should you do if you get a call? Hang up and call the number yourself. Or, if you want to be sure everything's in order, end the call. Then look up the number on your own, call it and ask whether someone is trying to reach you. So do not rely on a phone number the caller gives you. The number is likely part of the scam.

Tax Identity Theft This seasonal scam involves intercepting a tax refund which should go to you. The early tip off may be a letter from the IRS stating the tax return you submitted is the second one it has received using your SSN. If you e file your return, you may get a notice your filing has been rejected because your refund has already been sent.

<u>Fake Charities</u> Many Americans are charitably inclined. Scammers may seek to use this inclination against you. Bogus charities pop up following (go to page 2)