

Lehigh Valley Flower and Garden Show March 8-9-10

By David Kerper

ALLENTOWN - It is going to be a Flower Frenzy at the Annual Lehigh Valley Flower and Garden Show, March 8-10 at the Allentown Fairgrounds. See incredible displays of flowers, shrubs, water features, and trees from the area's top Landscapers. The refreshing fragrance, invigorating colors, textures, sights and sounds of the Lehigh Valley Flower & Garden Show will take us to a place where it feels like spring has sprung! These displays are more than just pretty. They offer solutions for your own landscaping dilemmas and will inspire you to make a colorful change to a landscape you love.

In addition to a Frenzy of Flowers, you can shop from a new group of flower and garden related vendors for everything from bulbs to lavender to garden décor. Don't leave without tasting treats from local food artisans, visiting the expanded She Shed Village, or taking in the cuteness of baby bunnies.

The lineup of Demonstrations and Seminars is the strongest it has been in years. Take in one of the following activities while at the show: Paint and Sip event, Mini Fairy Garden Workshop, Flower Arranging Class, plus Free make-and-take projects, seminars and flower arranging demonstrations & auctions. The Penn State Master Gardeners and Garden Clubs will be on site answering all of your gardening questions. This event has something for everyone so bring the whole family. Kids will enjoy the Garden Railroaders display, getting their hands dirty with seed planting and making their own "Slug Slime", getting their face painted and visiting with the Peep Mascot, the ambassador of Spring.

Spring will be in full bloom March 8-9-10 at the Lehigh Valley Flower and Garden Show at the Allentown Fairgrounds. Tickets are available online and at the door; children age 12 and under are admitted free. Friday, March 8 is \$5 Senior Day at the Door. Free parking.

For complete info, seminar and activity schedules, plus a list of vendors visit: www.LehighValley-FlowerandGardenShow.com.

Resources for Minority-Owned Businesses in PA

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to a vast toolbox of services and resources.

2. The Entrepreneur's Guide is a free publication that guides a small business owner through the process of starting and growing a business in Pennsylvania that includes expert information about writing a business plan, registering a business, receiving funding, and more.

3. The Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority (PMBDA) is a low-interest loan program designed to stimulate the creation, retention and expansion of minority-owned businesses and create jobs in Pennsylvania.

4. The Small Diverse Business Capital Access Program is administered by the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority (PIDA) and provides low-interest loans and lines of credit to small diverse businesses that commit to creating and retaining full-time jobs within the commonwealth.

5. The Pennsylvania SBDC network is the only statewide, nationally-accredited program that provides high-quality one-on-one consulting, training, and information resources to empower new and existing businesses — including resources specifically for minority-owned businesses. The SBDC partners with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), DCED, and 18 universities and colleges across the state to provide budding entrepreneurs and small business owners the tools they need to thrive.

6. Small Diverse Business Certification & Procurement Opportunities. To be eligible for the various programs and resources available to small diverse businesses, you must first be registered and legally operating within Pennsylvania and be verified as a small diverse business. Eligible small businesses must hold certifications as diverse businesses with one of the Pennsylvania Department of General Services' approved third-party certification entities.

7. Small Disadvantaged Business Status. In addition to small diverse business certification in Pennsylvania, you might want to explore the federal resources available to small disadvantaged businesses. Qualifying businesses that meet the federal standards for small disadvantaged businesses through the Small Business Administration (SBA) have access to a suite of additional federal programs and assistance.

8. An agency of the United States Department of Commerce, the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) promotes the growth and global competitiveness of minority-owned-and-operated businesses while focusing on job creation for minority business entrepreneurs.

To learn more about minority entrepreneur benefits and services, visit the PA Department of General Services' Diverse Business page, the Small Business Association's 8(a) program page, and the Pennsylvania Business One-Stop Shop's Grow section.

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 Kenneth L. Bean, Pastor
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483 Belfast Rd., Belfast
 Sunday School (all ages) 9:30am,
 Worship 10:45am, Evening Service
 7pm. Pastor Michael Yaworski.

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607 School St., Belfast
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 ship 10am, coffee fellowship following
 worship. Pastor Paul Milligan. (610)
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975 Benders Church Rd., Pen Argyl
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 10:10am; Food Bank 3rd Saturday of
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**703 S. Delaward Dr. (Rt 611),
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 nion offered 1st & 3rd Sundays.
 610-588-7056, www.celcpa.org

Clearfield Bible Holiness Church
1502 Bushkill Ctr Rd, Wind Gap
 Sun- SS 10:15am, Worship 11:15am &
 3pm. Pastor Donald Herrick.
 (812) 653-3975.

Community Baptist
Weona Park Center, Pen Argyl
 Sun - Bible study 7pm. Separate
 class for age 10 & under.

Community Presbyterian
1755 S Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel
 Sun. - SS 9:15am, Worship service
 10:30am, Coffee hour on last sunday
 of every month following service.
www.mtbethelpresbyterian.org,
 (570) 897-6766.

Cross Road Baptist Church
201 Second St., Bangor
 Sun- 9:15am Praise Sing, 9:30am SS,
 10:45am Worship; Wed- 7pm Prayer/
 Bible Study. Rev. Jay VanHorn, Pastor
 (610) 588-3966,
www.crossroadbaptistbangor.org

East Bangor United Methodist
136 W. Central Ave., E Bangor
 welcomes you to a FREE "Meatloaf
 and Mac&Cheese Dinner on Sunday,
 March 3rd, from 4:00-5:30 p.m.
 Sat., Mar. 2 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting
 Sun., Mar. 3 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 9:15 a.m. Worship Service
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 PASTIE ORDERS DUE
 Ash Wednesday service on March 6th
 at 7:00 p.m. The church is located at
 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East
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 4453 or visit <http://ebumc.org/>.

Faith Alive Community Church
10 Mechanic St, Wind Gap
 Tues- 6pm Ladies Prayer Meeting (2nd
 Tues); Wed- 6:30pm Revival Prayer,
 7:15pm Adult Bible Study; Sat- 10-2pm
 Prayer Stop (1st Sat); Sun- 9:15am
 Family Fellowship, 9:30am Interces-
 sory Prayer, 10am Worship, 10:45am
 Children's Church, Communion at
 10:30am (1st Sun). Pastor Matthew
 Whistler. (610) 863-6911,
www.faccpa.org

Faith United Presbyterian
Penna & Heller Aves., Pen Argyl
 Sun.- 9am Choir, 10am Worship/
 Communion/Food Bank/Church
 School. (610) 836-4447

Family Life Community Church
1115 Richmond Rd, Bangor
 Wed- Kidz Night Out at The Hub 6:30-
 8pm (kids 6 thru 6th gr.); Thurs- Teen
 Night Out at The Hub 6:30-8pm (gr.
 7-9); Sun- 10am Celebration Service.
 Pastor Mike Poppa. 610-588-3736,
www.flccbangor.com.

First United Evangelical
25 S 2nd St., Bangor
 Sun. - 7pm Prayer Meeting & Bible
 Study; Jan 20- 9am Prayer Meeting,
 9:30am Church School, 10:30am Wor-
 ship. Pastor Ronald Shipman at
 (610) 588-3226

First United Methodist Church
55 N. Third St., Bangor
 Worship every Sunday at 11am, Adult
 and Children Sunday Schools 9:45am,
 Communion first Sunday of month,
 Wednesday evening Bible Study
 6:30pm. Pastor Chris Hardy
 (610) 588-4673.

First United Methodist
19 West & Water St., Wind Gap
 Sun.- 9am SS, 10am Worship/Commu-
 nion, 11am Fellowship on 1st Sunday
 of each month. Pastor John Vidal (570)
 426-0645

Flicksville UCC
1337 Lower S. Main St., Bangor
 Sun.- 9:30am SS, 10:45am Worship
 with local music talent every Sunday.
 Pastor Ken Hess (610) 588-4648

God's Missionary Church
of Northampton
4965 Nor. Bath Blvd (Rt 329),

Northampton, PA
 Sun- SS 9:30am, Service 10:30 &
 7pm, Youth Service 6:30pm; Wed-
 Prayer Meeting 7:30pm. Rev. Rodney
 Keister. (610) 262-4412.
<http://GMC-N.com>
Good Shepherd Evangelical
Lutheran Church,
2904 Church Rd, Martins Creek PA
 Sunday Worship Service 9:00 am.
 Adult Bible Study Following Worship.
 Pastor Louise Williams.
www.goodshepherdmc.com

Grace Lutheran Church
5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth
 Tue. - 6:30pm Choir; Jan 20- 9am
 Service/Communion, 10:15am SS,
 10:30am Confirmation/Adult Forum.
 (610) 759-9080, www.gracebelfast.org

Grace United Methodist
404 Mountain Ave., Pen Argyl
 Sun.- 8:30am Contemporary, 10am
 Blended, 10am SS. Nursery care
 available at all services. Rev. J.
 Timothy Fisher. (610) 863-4811. www.worshipatgrace.org

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church
1501 Trinity Court, Stroudsburg
 Divine Liturgy Sundays 9:30 AM;
 Vespers Saturday 6:30 PM. (570) 421-
 4455, www.holytrinitypoconos.org.

Hopesprings Community of Faith
301 Market Street, Bangor
 Sun-Services 10am. Jonathan Alman-
 zar, Lead Pastor. 855-INFO-HOPE.
www.hopespringscommunity.org.

Hope UCC
2nd & Cherry St., Wind Gap
 Sun- 10:30am Worship (Communion
 1st Sunday of the month). All are wel-
 come! SS every other Friday. Pastor
 Darlene K. Blocker. (610) 863-4474

Living Waters Christian Church
396 Sterling Rd. Unit D, Tobyhanna
 Thurs- 6pm Christian Edu Sun- 9:15am
 Christian Edu, 10:30am Worship. Rev.
 Dr. Jacqueline R. Walters 570-350-
 4710

Mt. Bethel Church
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1270 Belvidere Cr. Rd, Mt. Bethel
 Sun.- 8:30am Traditional Service
 including "Kids Korner" Children's
 Sermon, 9:50am Confirmation & SS,
 11am Contemporary Service including
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 Church" during the sermon. Chris
 Priestaf, Senior Pastor. Dan Chris-
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 (570) 897-7797. Visit our website www.mountbethelchurch.org or call (570)
 897-7142 for information or directions.

Our Lady of Good Counsel
436 South 2nd Street, Bangor
 Tue. - Mass 4pm; Jan 20- Mass
 8:30am. Pastor Stephen L. Maco,
 (610) 588-5445,
www.goodcounselrcchurch.org

Portland Baptist Church
601 Delaware Ave., Portland

Sun- Sunday School 9am, Service
 10:30am; Wed- Bible Study 10:30 with
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 Sun.- Worship 10:30am. Rev. Albert
 Martin. (610) 588-4864, email presbyte
 rianbr@frontiernet.net.
www.facebook.com/Presbyterybr

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
2445 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor
 Tue - Happy Quilters 9am; Jan 20-
 8:30am SS, 9:45am Worship/Commu-
 nion. (610) 588-2355, website
www.popbangor.org

Richmond United Methodist Church
8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor
 Sun.- Service 10am; 4th Sunday Fel-
 lowship Hour; Christmas Eve Candle-
 light Services 4pm and 7pm. Pastor Ed
 Van Arsdale. (610) 588-7317

The Roseto Independent
Presbyterian Church
210 Garibaldi Ave, Roseto
 Sunday Worship Services 9:15am
 Greeting/Welcoming, 9:30am Service.
 All Welcome. Rev. Barry Eng. (610)
 599-9949, www.RIPC-OnlineToday.org.

Slate Belt - Nazareth Baptist
1620 Church Rd, Pen Argyl
 Sun.- 9:30am SS, 10:30am Worship &
 Children's Church (nursery provided),
 5:30pm Bible Study. Pastor Scott J.
 Davis. (610) 863-9274.

St. Brigid's Episcopal Church
310 Madison Ave, Nazareth
 Sun- 9:45am SS, 10:45am Holy Eu-
 charist. Rev. William Martin, 610-746-
 3910, www.stbrigidspa.org.

St. Elizabeth's Parish
300 West Babbitt Ave., Pen Argyl
 Sun.- Masses 8am, 9:30am & 11am.
 Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York.
 610-863-4777

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12 N. Westbrook, Pen Argyl
 Sun.- 8:45am SS, 10am Worship/Holy
 Communion. (610) 863-4332

St. Joseph's Episcopal
1440 Verona Dr., W. Bangor
 Jan 20- Eucharist 11am; Christmas
 Eve Service 4pm. Rev. Joel Atkinson.
 Coffee hour after service.

St. Luke's U.C.C. Belfast
471 Belfast Rd., Nazareth (Belfast)
 SS 9am, Worship 10:30am. Rev. Frank
 Gassler. 610-759-0244.
www.stlukesuccbelfast.com

St. Mary's Episcopal
340 Lehigh St., Wind Gap
 Sun.- service 9am. Coffee hour follows
 service. Rev. Joel Atkinson.

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran
1422 Church Rd, Pen Argyl
 Sun.- Bible Study 11am, Praise Band
 7pm; Jan 19- Youth Choir 6pm, Adult
 Choir 7:30pm; Jan 20- Services 8am
 and 10:15am, 9am SS.
 (610) 863-6859

St. Vincent DePaul Catholic
Delaware Ave., Portland
 Sat - Mass 6pm; Jan 20- Mass
 10:30am. Rev. Stephen L. Maco
www.goodcounselrcchurch.org
 (610) 588-5445.

The Pentecostal Christian
Church the Truth
(Iglesia Pentecostal La Verdad)
4 Jory Ave Pen Argyl
 Sun.- Prayer 14- Sunday School
 (Escuela Dominical) 12 noon, Praise &
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Trinity Evangelical Lutheran
404 Broadway, Bangor
 Thur - Christian Ed 6:30pm, Choir
 7:30pm; Jan 20- SS 9am, Worship/
 Communion 10am. Pastor Laine. (610)
 588-2023, www.tlcbangor.com.

Trinity United Church of Christ
632 S. Delaware Dr, Mt. Bethel
 Sun.- Adult SS 9am, Worship
 10:30am. Rev. Rodney W. Wells.
 (610) 588-1989.

Zion Presbyterian Church
Water St., Wind Gap
 Sun.- Rev. Albert Martin will be speak-
 ing at the 9:30am service. Children SS
 during the service. Visitors welcome.
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