

# Habitat for Humanity

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At Warren County Habitat for Humanity, we believe in giving a “hand up”, and not a “hand out”. Every Partner Family selected must go through a very extensive application process. Habitat for Humanity provides interest free loans for our partner families, and as such we must comply with all federal mortgage origination regulations. Accordingly, each applicant must go through the same application process as they would to if getting a loan from a bank: submitting income and employment verification, credit and background checks, and lots of documentation. As applications are received each partner family is given a family application number and the only person knowing the identity of each applicant is the committee chairperson. All information is provided to committee members based on the family application number throughout the process until the final step when home visits are being arranged for those families that had been qualified through the process. If multiple families are then deemed qualified for a loan, the final selection of the partner family is done by blind lottery using the family’s application number. This is done to ensure that there is absolutely no bias in our selection process.

Michael Chobot has done a wonderful job raising his family with the principle that hard work will be rewarded. Joining Warren County

Habitat over 10 years ago, Michael was searching for a project for him and his son to get involved in that would benefit the local community. He began volunteering and never looked back. In 2022, he joined the Warren County Habitat for Humanity ReStore staff as the General Manager, and has successfully increased revenue at the store, helping to fund more build and repair projects across Warren County. He is the first employee of Warren County Habitat for Humanity to become a Partner Family since the policy was instituted nearly 15 years ago.

Michael had previously applied for a home and was not chosen. However, homeownership applicants are granted the opportunity to apply multiple times, and upon his second application, he was selected by lottery from the four application finalists to become our next Partner Family. He will be moving into his new home in Harmony Township upon its completion with both his son and his grandson.

To learn more about the work Warren County Habitat for Humanity does in your community, to volunteer, or join the conversation, visit their website at [www.warrenhabitat.org](http://www.warrenhabitat.org). You can also stop into one of their two retail locations; the ReStore on Route 57, or The HUT on Belvidere Ave, or their Community Center at 31 Belvidere Ave. Hours and directions are available on Warren County Habitat’s website.



Ben Eskow, Executive Director of Warren County Habitat for Humanity, smiles next to new Partner Homeowner Michael “Scrappy” Chobot at his Groundbreaking Ceremony.



(From left to right): Chris Motzenbecker, Warren County Habitat Construction Supervisor, Matthew Chobot and Michael “Scrappy” Chobot dig the first holes on the land that will soon become their home.

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**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

**The Lady's Guild of Our Lady of Victory R.C. Church, Tannersville** will hold a Chicken Cordon Blue Dinner on April 28th. We would appreciate your help in advertising this year's event without cost to the church.

**East Bangor United Methodist Community Church 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512) East Bangor, PA**

Thurs., Sept. 12 -7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
Fri., Sept. 13 -10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Flea Market/Craft Sale  
(Call 484-221-4197)  
Sat., Sept. 14 -10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Flea Market/Craft Sale - 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting  
Sun., Sept. 15 - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service (also online)(for online, go to www.ebumc.org. to sign in)  
Pastor Todd Lattig 610-588-4453  
Dial-A-Mesage 610-588-3896  
www.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 Intercessory Prayer, 10am Worship, 10:45am Children's Church, Communion at 10:30am (1st Sun).  
Pastor Matthew Whistler. (610) 863-6911,  
www.faccpa.org

**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 Worship.  
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.

**United Methodist**

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

**Flicksville United Church of Christ**

1337 Lower South Main Street Bangor, PA 18013  
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**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**  
6th Sunday of Easter: 9:00am - HOLY COMMUNION 10:15am - Sunday Morning Adventures: - Sunday Morning Adventures (610) 759-9080,  
www.gracebelfast.org

**Grace United Methodist Church**

404 E. Mountain Avenue, Pen Argyl  
Sunday Worship at 8:30 am and 10:00 am  
Children's Sunday School at 10:00 am  
Vacation Bible School July 18-22, 6-8 pm  
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 Almanzar, 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 welcome!  
SS 9:30 Sunday Morning.  
Pastor Emily B. Hall. (610) 863-4474

**Mt. Eaton Church**

PO Box 129 7277 Mt. Eaton Road Saylorburg, PA 18353  
(570) 992-7050  
office@mounteatonchurch.org

**Mt. Bethel Church A Church of the Lutheran Brethren 1270 Belvidere Cr. Rd, Mt. Bethel**  
Sun.- 8:30am Traditional Service, 11am Contemporary Service  
Visit our website www.mountbethelchurch.org or call (570) 897-7142 for info.

**Our Lady of Good Counsel**

436 South 2nd Street Bangor, PA 18013  
Rectory (610) 588-5445  
Parish Website: www.ourladystvincent.com  
Mass Schedule Weekdays 8AM excluding Thursdays (See Church Website)  
Saturday 4 PM Sunday 8:30 AM  
Holy Days (See Church Website)  
Saturday Confessions 3:25-3:45 PM

**Our Lady of Victory R.C. Church,**

Tannersville, PA will hold a Free Community Dinner on Sunday, July 21st from 3pm to 4pm. They would appreciate your assistance in advertising this dinner without cost to the Church.

**Portland Baptist Church**

**601 Delaware Ave., Portland**  
Sun- Sunday School 9am, Service 10:30am; Wed- Bible Study 10:30 with Prayer Meeting to follow.  
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www.portlandbaptistchurch.com

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 2445 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor**

Saturday Worship: 1st & 3rd 5:30 pm.  
Sunday School starts at 8:30am (September-May)  
Sunday Service- 9:45am  
Holy Communion is served weekly.  
All are welcome!

**Race Evangelical Lutheran Church 5907 Sullivan Trail Nazareth PA**

18064 www.gracebelfastpa.org 610-759-9080  
email:gracebelfast@rcn.com

**Richmond United Methodist Church 8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor**

Traditional Worship 10:00 am  
Rev. Ed Van Arsdale 610-588-7317

**Slate Belt Church**

**1620 Church Rd, Pen Argyl**  
(Across from the Wind Gap Middle School) www.slatebeltchurch.com  
Sun.- 9:30am SS, 10:30am Worship & Children's Church (nursery provided)  
5:30pm Bible Study, Youth Group & Kids Program  
Pastor Steve Rebert 610-863-9274

**St. Brigid's Episcopal Church, Nazareth.**

Delete Sunday school Holy Eucharist @ 9:30 a.m.  
St. Brigid's Episcopal Church 310 Madison Avenue Nazareth, PA 18064  
Phone: 610-746-3910  
Fax: 610-746-4515

**St. Elizabeth's Parish**

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

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran 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. Cecilia Baxter and Rev. Jameson Baxter. 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.  
Maundy Thursday Service will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Wind Gap at 5:30 P.M.  
Easter Morning Service will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Wind Gap at 9:00 a.m.

**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran**

**1422 Church Rd, Pen Argyl**  
(610) 863-6859  
Sunday Worship/Communion 8am and 10:15am; 9am SS  
www.stpetersplainfield.com

**St. Vincent dePaul**

720 Delaware Avenue  
Portland, PA 18351  
Rectory (610) 588-5445  
Mass Schedule Weekdays (at OLG)  
Saturday 6 PM Sunday 10:30 AM  
Holy Days (See Church Website)  
Saturday Confessions 5:40-5:50 PM

**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 & Worship (Cuho Evangelistico) 1pm.

**Portland Baptist Church**

601 Delaware Ave Portland (570-897-6866)  
Sunday School 9:00 AM  
Sunday Worship 10:30 AM  
Bible Study and prayer meeting  
Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM  
The sanctuary is elevator accessible  
Facebook Portland Baptist Church  
Website: www.portlandbaptistchurch.com

**Temple Israel of the Poconos**

**660 Wallace Street, Stroudsburg**  
Sabbath Services: Friday evening 7pm  
Saturday morning 9:30am followed by a traditional Kiddush.  
Dr. Sandra Alfonsi 570-223-7062.

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