

Pilgrimage for Restoration 2021

written directions – walking, all three days

Day-1 Friday, September 24

17.7 mi.

Berks Co., Penna.

1. Depart St. Mary's Church campus to Walnut Rd
2. Turn right onto Walnut Rd, and go 0.2 mile
3. Turn right onto Academy Rd, and go 0.7 mi.
4. Turn right onto Pine Rd, go 0.5 mi.
5. Turn left onto Hex Hwy/Old U.S. Rt 22, go approx. 300 ft
CAUTION! Hex Highway/Old US 22 is fast & busy. Ready the safeties!
6. Turn right onto Fisher Dam Rd, go 1.7 mi.
NOTE: Intersection of Fisher Dam Rd & Five Locks Rd is also marked by street sign for "Zweizig Rd".
7. Turn left onto Five Locks Rd, go 1.1 mi. to Oak Ln
8. Turn right onto Oak Ln, go 0.2 mi. to Hughes Hill Rd
9. Turn right onto Hughes Hill Rd, go 0.5 mi. – where Hughes Hill Rd becomes Main St (at 0.2 mi. mark), and continue 0.3 mi. straight on Main St to Logistics Dr
NOTE: No street sign for Logistics Rd. Intersection of Main St & Logistics Rd is marked w/ a sign - again - for "Zweizig Rd."
10. Turn left onto Logistics Rd, cross PA Rt 61/Pottsville Pike at traffic light, go 0.3 mi. to Zion Church Rd
11. Turn right onto Zion Church Rd, go ca. 0.5 to rest stop at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church
Halt at mi. mark 5.7 to rest at church campus – permission confirmed: Trina 610-562-3112, Tiffany 610-823-2880
12. Exit church campus, zig right to zag left onto Merkel Ln; go 0.7 mi. to Schappell Rd
13. Turn right onto Schappell Rd, go 1.1 mi. to "T" intersection with Windsor Castle Rd
14. Turn left onto Windsor Castle Rd, go 0.1 mi. to Balthaser Rd
15. Turn slight right uphill onto Balthaser Rd, go 3.1 mi. to PA Rt 143 N
CAUTION! Do not pause near 902 Balthaser Rd. Water Lily's received warning shots there last season.
Halt at mi. mark 8.7 to rest at 716 Balthaser Rd – permission confirmed: Harold Weaver 610-850-1018 tintype@ibyfax.com
16. Turn left onto PA Rt 143 N, go 0.3 mi. to Covered Bridge Rd
CAUTION! Rt 143 is busy, narrow, and winding. Ready the safeties!
17. Turn right onto Covered Bridge Rd, go 0.1. mi., crossing covered bridge, to Dreibelbis Stn Rd
CAUTION! Covered bridge allows 10 ft clearance only.
18. Turn right onto Dreibelbis Station Rd, go 0.8 mi. to Dunkels Church Rd
19. Turn slightly left onto Dunkels Church Rd, go 0.4 mi.
CAUTION! Dunkels Church curves left – stay straight with a slight zig right to continue onto Hummels Hill Rd
CAUTION! Intersection of Dunkels Church Rd and Hummels Hill Rd is dangerous. Dunkels Church Rd, from the left, swings sharply down a winding hill causing limited visibility from all directions.
20. Continue straight onto Hummels Hill Rd, go 0.4 mi. to Dietrich Valley Rd
21. Turn slight left onto Dietrich Valley Rd, go 2.1 mi. to Ebling Rd
NOTE: Do **NOT** continue up the hill (slight right) on Hummels Hill Rd.
Halt at mi. mark 13.7 to rest atop hill in empty hay fields, right and left, belonging to Dietrich Family – permission confirmed, Mr. & Mrs. Dietrich. Rest stop is 0.1 mi. passed a driveway marked with street sign, "Stein Ln".
22. Continue on Dietrich Valley Rd to Ebling Rd
23. Turn right onto Ebling Rd [street sign is not visible, behind tree]; go 1.1 mi. to PA Rt 737
CAUTION! PA Rt 737 is fast and busy. Ready the safeties!
24. Turn right onto PA Rt 737 S; go 250 ft: *stay on the broad, grassy berm* before crossing at Gun Club Rd
25. Cross PA Rt 737/Krumsville Rd onto Gun Club Rd, go approx. 75 ft to Braund Rd
26. Turn left onto Braund Rd; go 0.2 mi. to Sittler Valley Rd
27. Turn right onto Sittler Valley Rd, go 1.2 mi. to 233 Sittler Valley Rd – The Brubakers' Farm
28. Turn left into the Farm's driveway, pass cow shed, and turn right into field beyond the cow shed, above last year's site, to bivouac.

Day-2 Saturday, September 25

18.7 mi.

Berks Co. – Lehigh Co.

1. Walk down the driveway, turn right onto Sittler Valley Rd, go approx. 1.2 mi.
2. Turn left onto Braund Rd (becoming Bround [sic] Rd for ca. 450 ft), go 0.2 mi. to Gun Club Rd
3. Turn left onto Gun Club Rd, go 1.9 mi. to Eagle Point Rd
4. Turn left at "T" onto Eagle Point Rd, go 1.8 mi. to Long Ln
5. Turn right onto Long Ln, go 0.5 to Wessner Rd
6. Turn left onto Wessner Rd, go 0.4 mi.
Halt at mi. mark 6.0 to rest at 128 Wessner Rd, Wessner Farm – permission confirmed: Louise Wessner 610-393-3271
7. Continue on Wessner Rd to Siegfriedale Rd
8. Turn right onto Siegfriedale Rd, go 0.9 mi. to stay left on Siegfriedale Rd
9. Continue on Siegfriedale Rd 1.9 mi. to Helfrich Rd
10. Turn right onto Helfrich Rd, go 0.5 mi. to PA Rt 863 N
11. Turn left onto PA Rt 863 N, go 0.2 mi. to Kecks Rd/Kleins Rd
CAUTION! PA Rt 863 is busy, narrow, and winding. Use extra caution on Rt 863.
12. Turn right onto Kecks Rd/Klines Mill Rd, go 1.2 mi.
CAUTION! The intersection where Kecks/Mill Rd crosses Old Rt 22 is very dangerous: oncoming traffic from the left is hidden because there is a blind hillcrest just to the left.
13. Turn left onto Heffner Rd, go 0.6 mi. to Seipstown Rd
Halt at mi. mark 11.3 to rest for lunch on right, on lawn at corner of Seipstown & Heffner Rds, 2441 Heffner Rd – permission confirmed: Carl Master carlmasters51@gmail.com
14. Exit Master's lawn onto Seipstown Rd, turning left onto Seipstown Rd, go 0.3 mi. to Valley Rd

15. Turn right onto Valley Rd, go 1.4 mi.
16. Turn left at Distillery Rd, downhill, to remain on Valley Rd, go 0.1 mi.
17. Bear right at Shale Rd to stay on Valley Rd, continue for 1.5 mi., then right onto Valley Rd for 0.1 mi.
Halt at mi. mark 14.7 to rest near the end of Valley Rd where it meets Lyon Valley Rd, near the bridge.
18. Turn right onto Lyon Valley Rd, go 0.1 mi. to Carpet Rd
19. Turn left onto Carpet Rd, go 1.7 mi. to Bittners Hill Rd
20. Turn right onto Bittners Hill Rd, go 0.5 mi. to Run Rd
21. Turn slight right onto Run Rd, go 0.8 mi. to Weisenberg Church Rd
22. Slight right onto Weisenberg Church Rd, go 0.1 mi. to Seibert Rd
23. Turn left onto Seibert Rd/T666, go 0.3 mi. to Grubers Rd
24. Turn left onto Grubers Rd, go 0.5 mi. to 4896 Grubers Rd, New Tripoli 18066, DeMaster's Farm

Day-3 Sunday September 26 18 mi. Lehigh Co. & City of Allentown

1. Continue northwest on Grubers Rd, go 0.2 mi. to Herber Rd
2. Turn right onto Herber Rd, go 1.2 mi. to PA Rt 100, cross over Rt 100, and turn right (south) to walk on left side of Rt 100 S
3. Continue on Rt 100 S 0.1 mi. to Game Preserve Rd
4. Turn left onto Game Preserve Rd, go 3.4 mi. to Ruheton Hill Rd
5. Turn sharp right onto Ruheton Hill Rd, go 0.8 mi. to Jordan Rd
6. Turn left onto Jordan Rd, go 0.1 mi.
Halt at mi. mark 5.8 to rest on the right, in the Trexler Nature Preserve South Range – permission confirmed
7. Exit the rest stop, turn left onto Jordan Rd – to back-track on Jordan Rd 0.1 mi.
8. Continue on Jordan Rd 1.6 mi., to cross very dangerous intersection at Kernsville Rd
NOTE: Between rest stop and Kernsville Rd there is a covered bridge with 9' 6" clearance only. Port-a-pots hauler and tall vehicles must ask Simeon DeMaster for directions to detour, to return to the walking column.
CAUTION! At mi. mark 7.5 the column crosses Kernsville Rd – posing extreme danger due to speeding cross traffic and much-limited visibility. All parties take instructions from John Brizek to cross safely!
9. Continue on Jordan Rd 0.6 mi. to Haasadahl Rd
10. At Haasadahl Rd, turn left to remain/continue on Jordan Rd, go 0.8 mi., where Jordan Rd becomes Huckleberry Rd
NOTE: Keep right at Village Rd to stay on Huckleberry Rd.
11. Continue on Huckleberry Rd, go 1.2 mi. to Herman Ln
12. Turn left onto Herman Ln, go 0.6 miles to Wehr Mill Rd
13. Turn left onto Wehr Mill Rd, go 0.9 mi. into to Covered Bridge Park
Halt to rest for lunch in Covered Bridge Park under pavilion – permission confirmed
14. Backtrack via Wehr Mill Rd to exit Covered Bridge Park; go 0.9 mi. back to Huckleberry Rd
15. Turn left onto Huckleberry Rd, go 1.7 mi. to Minnich Rd
CAUTION! Crossing Cedar Crest Blvd at 1.2 mi. is dangerous.
16. Turn left onto Minnich Rd, then immediately right onto Focht Ave, go 0.4 mi. to Orchard Ave
17. Turn left onto Orchard Ave, go 0.2 mi. to bending right-curve turn where Orchard Ave becomes Pirma Ave, go 0.6 mi. to traffic light
18. Cross at traffic light continuing straight through light **across** Mauch Chunk Rd, **onto** Mauch Chunk Rd, go 0.1 to Scherersville Rd
CAUTION! Mauch Chunk Rd is busy. Ready the safeties!
19. Turn left onto Scherersville Rd, go 0.3, where Scherersville Rd becomes Lehnert Rd, and continue 0.7 on Lehnert Rd to Mickley Rd (at mi. mark 16.2)
Halt at mi. mark 15.9 to rest in wide open Jordan Creek Parkway along Scherersville Rd/Lehnert Rd
20. Turn right at "T" intersection onto Mickley Rd, go 0.5 mi. to Jordan Dr
21. Turn left onto Jordan Dr, go. 0.1 mi. – crossing MacArthur Rd/PA Rt 145 at traffic light – then 1 block farther directly into Jordan Park, entering Allentown
CAUTION! MacArthur Rd/PA Rt 145 is busy. Ready the safeties!
NOTE: Meet 'stroller brigade' of Sunday's events in Jordan Park at this point, between pool and baseball field.
22. Follow gravel path eastward 500 ft to Jordan Creek, turn right at Creek, and follow Creek approx. 0.3 mi. to Sumner Ave
NOTE: Support vehicles cannot enter Jordan Park. Support vehicles turn around in Park parking lot, to backtrack 1 block (west) to MacArthur Rd. Turn left (south) at traffic light onto MacArthur Rd, and drive 0.5 mi. to Greenleaf St. Turn left (east) onto Greenleaf St, drive 1 block to N 6th St. Turn left (north) onto N 6th St, drive 1 ½ block to Sumner Ct. Turn right onto Sumner Ct, drive 1 block to N 5th St. Turn left, then zig right onto Sumner Ave to rejoin walking column exiting Jordan Park.
23. Departing Jordan Park, turn left onto Sumner Ave, go 0.6 mi. to traffic light at American Pkwy
24. Cross American Parkway, where Sumner Ave becomes Ridge Ave
CAUTION! American Pkwy is busy. Ready the safeties!
25. Continue on Ridge Ave 0.3 mi. to National Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, at Immaculate Conception Church, 501 Ridge Ave, Allentown PA 18102 DEO GRATIAS!

support vehicles

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