

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 -

- CHRISTMAS EVE
- COMBINED SERVICES - 9:30AM
- FAMILY SERVICE - 7:00PM
- TRADITIONAL SERVICE - 9:00PM



MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 -

- CHRISTMAS DAY
- GROWING FRIENDS AND OFFICE CLOSED



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26 -

- OFFICE CLOSED



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28 -

- SPIRIT OF PRAISE - 7:00PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30 -

- APR USE - 12:00 TO 8:00PM

NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 -

- NEW YEARS EVE



MONDAY, JANUARY 1 -

- NEW YEARS DAY
- GROWING FRIENDS AND OFFICE CLOSED



TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 -

- OFFICE CLOSED



THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 -

- GIRL SCOUTS - 6:30PM
- TRUSTEES - 7:00PM
- SPIRIT OF PRAISE - 7:00PM



FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 -

- SHINING LIGHT (APR) - 6:00PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 -

- SHINING LIGHT (APR) ALL DAY



OUR STAFF

PASTOR

Mitch Galloway

DAY CARE DIRECTOR

Abby Streett

SECRETARY

Lorrie Cabbage

TREASURER

Amy Smith

SENIOR CHOIR DIRECTOR

Sandra Gingrich

ORGANIST

Nancy Forry

PRAISE TEAM LEADER

Rick Marks

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Sandra Gingrich

YOUNG LIFE CHOIR

Sandra Gingrich

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OFFICE HOURS

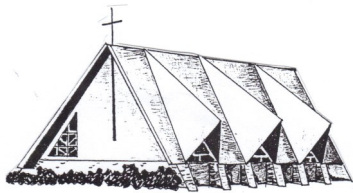
Tue to Fri
10:00AM to 2:00PM

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday 10:00AM

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The 15th of each month



*“Reaching, Loving, and
Serving to Create Disciples
for Jesus Christ”.*

4th Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2017

(The * denotes when the Congregation stands.)



*Lord of the earth, we come as beggars needing spiritual
Food. Please hear us and feed us until we are energized to do
Your will on Earth.*

GREETING

CELEBRATION OF PRAISE

“Joy To The World”
“Adore”

Praise Team
by Hillsong Worship
by Chris Tomlin

*** LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH**

L: O God, we light the fourth candle of Advent.

C: We hear your angel Gabriel and witness the faith of Mary. Fill us with your grace and light.

L: Mary was a young, strong, spiritual woman. Even though her life was not easy, she heard God's voice and said yes. Her song was a prayer that would uplift those who were downtrodden. Her lyrics shattered the proud and called the world to change. She would bear within her the promised child, Jesus, the Light of the World. This Advent, we respond to God's beckoning to us as well.

All: Revealing God, visit us and fill us with your Spirit. Bring your good news to life within us. Give us courage to carry your light into the injustices and shadows of this world. Amen.

CAROL “Angels from the Realms of Glory” **#220**

OPENING PRAYER

TRADITION

Carols of Christmas
Christmas Favorites Medley
(Choir, Praise Team & Congregation) **See Insert**

CAROL

“There’s a Song in the Air” **#249**

TRADITION

Stories of Christmas

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Legend of the Candy Cane

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-20

MEDITATION

“The Skinny On Christmas” **Video**

TRADITION

Giving of Gifts

Presentation Gifts for Jesus

Offering “Christmas Is” **by Price**

ANTHEM

“It’s Christmas” **Senior Choir**

TRADITION

Sharing Christmas Memories
(Sharing from the Congregation)

CAROL

“Come On Ring Those Bells” **See Insert**

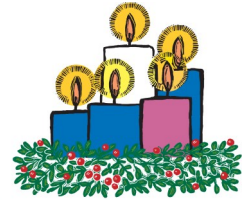
*** DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

THE POSTLUDE

“Improvisation on Adeste Fideles” (Traditional)



It's here, God - Christmas Eve day. But for a few more hours, may I be content in the waiting time, like the quiet excitement of early labor.



CHRISTMAS EVE

SERVING YOU THIS WEEK 9:30AM SERVICE

Children's Sunday School Teacher: No Sunday School Today

Greeters: Bob & Diana Bertling

Nursery: Darlene Myers & Carol Galloway

Sound Tech: Blaine Markel

Media Shout: Angie Markel

Welcome Committee: Glen & Barb Huson

Organist: Nancy Forry

Choir Director: Sandra Gingrich

Liturgist: Bill Waldrup

Acolyte: Dana Kipp

Counters: Brian Hildebrand & Richard Jackson

Ushers: Brian Hildebrand, Bob Bertling, Diana Bertling, Blaine Markel & Angie Markel

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK 9:00AM SERVICE

Worship Team

Rick Marks, Tina Mann, Buddy McGinnis, Jay Beaver, Pat Beck, Beth Coby, Steve Coby, Jessica Kipp, Kristi Love, Dan Kipp, April Billett, Dee Nunn

Children's Sunday School Teacher: Jessica Shelley

Greeters: Dave & Julie Brown

Nursery: Kate Anderson & Dee Nunn

Sound Tech: Nick Coby & Dan Champagne

Media Shout:

Welcome Committee: Glen & Barb Huson

SERVING YOU THIS WEEK 10:30AM SERVICE

Organist: Nancy Forry

Choir Director: Sandra Gingrich

Liturgist: Linda Anderson

Greeters: Dawson Gilbert & Nicholas Vanderlipp Jr.

Acolyte: Molly Smith

Nursery:

Counters: Corey Grove & Deb Shultz

Sound Tech:

Media Shout:

Ushers:

9:00 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Merry Christmas

This week's Scripture Lesson

No Sunday
School Today

Next week's Scripture Lesson

"Faith to Persevere"
Acts 14:8-11, 19-23
TBA

TITHES & OFFERINGS FOR DECEMBER 17, 2017

To the Church From:

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| Offering Envelopes | \$3,877.00 |
| Sunday School | 58.00 |
| Loose Offering | 398.00 |
| Sub -Total | \$4,333.00 |

Offerings Designated to go toward:

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| Building Fund | 35.00 |
| Missions | 5.00 |
| Fair Shares | 242.00 |
| Septic | 1,276.00 |
| Christmas Eve | 50.00 |
| Flowers | 17.00 |
| Paint Night | 175.00 |

Total:

\$ 6,133.00



PRAYER CONCERNS

Church Family - Terry Mee, Pastor Mitch, Bruce Grove, Dan Kipp, Ruth Ann Groff, Jake Geesey, Maude Walker, Ray Anderson, Donna Grove, Jack & Brenda Shaw, Bev Keesey, Pat Beck, Donald Overmiller, Ann McGinnis, Ella Jane Hess, Esther Kreeger, Eva Miller

Church Family Extended (Names will be removed after four weeks) Jake, Brandy, Makayla, Gene Green, Peyton Getner, Erika & Amanda, Chuck Miller, Pat Hoyt, Sue Heff, Roger Grove, Phyllis Peters, Terry Cozad & Dad, Shelva Dehoff, Terry & Shirley Saylor

News & Notes



Circle of Prayer
Prayer World

The Churches for the "Circle of Prayer" for the week of December 24 - 30, 2017

12th Street UMC, Huntingdon - Aline UMC, Mount Pleasant Mills - East Benton UMC, Dalton - Centre UMC, Osceola Mills - Bethany UMC, Red Lion - Farragut UMC, Montoursville - Bethel UMC, Avoca - New Thing UMC, Middletown - Salem UMC, West Decatur - Congress Hill UMC, Frenchville



Senior Youth still has raisins for sale. Please see Sandra if you are interested.



Our Greatest Need

If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator.

If our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist.

If our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist.

If our greatest need had been pleasure, God would have sent us an entertainer.

But our greatest need was forgiveness and acceptance, so God sent us a Savior.

~ Author unknown



Growing Friends Fundraiser News: \$5.00 Keep Christ in Christmas magnets are on sale now in the church and daycare office. Thank you again for participating in our fundraisers!



Sunday
10:30AM

The Vertical Church
What every Heart Longs For, What
Every Church Can Be
By James McDonald

"Unafraid Witness"
"Unceasing Prayer"

News & Notes



Thank you to all who sent Christmas to us. Have a Merry Christmas.

~ Donald & Janet Overmiller



The mission team is sponsoring a paint night on Friday, January 12, at 6:00 p.m. The cost is \$25, and there is a sign-up sheet out on the board by the office. The painting we will be doing is also there for you to view. Sue Peterman is graciously lending her expertise. Thank you for supporting the mission team.

FUNraising at

Friendly's

Cub Scout Pack 3 - Friendly's Fundraiser

The Cub Scout Pack at our church is hosting a fundraising event at Friendly's Restaurant on Wednesday, December 20, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 p.m. Ten percent of all sales during this time will be donated to Pack 3. Restaurant is located at 423 Loucks Road in York, PA. Come join us for a great time and help support our church's Cub Scout Pack! If you can't make it to the fundraiser, please consider making a donation to our Pack, as they are in desperate need of funds for annual re-chartering. Thank you again for supporting our Pack!



Shining Light will be doing some sorting in the all - purpose room on Friday, January 5, 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 6, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Pizza will be provided Friday evening, and breakfast and lunch will be provided on Saturday. This will provide us a lot more space to sort since we currently have a full trailer to be sorted! There will be sitting jobs as well as jobs making up and carrying boxes. This is a come and go as you wish event. If you have any time (even an hour will help!), please come and join in the work/fun.

Come on, Ring those Bells

Words and Music by
ANDREW CULVERWELL

with a country feel
unison

1. Ev'ry-bod-y likes to take a hol-i-day, ___ Ev'ry-bod-y likes to take a rest,
2. Cele-brations come be-cause of something good, ___ cele-brations we love to re-call.

spending time to-geth-er with the fam-i-ly, ___
Mar-y had a ba-by boy in Beth-le-hem, ___ the

shar-ing lots of love and hap-pi-ness. ___ Come on, ring those bells,
great-est cel-e-bra-tion of them all. ___

light the Christ-mas tree. Jesus is the King ___ born for you and me.

Come on, ring those bells, ev'-ry-body say, "Jesus, we re-mem-ber this your birthday."

Christmas Favorites Medley

Deck the Halls / Jingle Bells / Angels We Have Heard on High / Joy to the World
Arranged by Russell Mauldin

Deck the halls with boughs of holly, Fa la la la la la la!
'Tis the season to be jolly, Fa la la la la la la!
Sing we joyous all together! Fa la la la la la la!
Heedless of the wind and weather, Fa la la la la la la!

Dashing through the snow, in a one-horse open sleigh, o'er the fields we go,
laughing all the way. Bells on bob-tail ring, making spirits bright. What fun it is to
laugh and sing, a sleighing song tonight. Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the
way. Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh. Jingle bells, jingle bells,
jingle all the way. Oh what fun it is to ride in a one-horse open sleigh.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see. Him whose birth the angels sing. Come, adore on
bended knee Christ the Lord, the new born King.

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Joy to the world! The Lord is come: Let earth receive her King. Let ev'ry heart
prepare Him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing. And heaven and heaven and nature sing!