

### THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 -

- NEW YEARS EVE



#### MONDAY, JANUARY 1 -

- GF & OFFICE CLOSED
- BOY SCOUTS (APR) - 7:00PM



#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 -

- OFFICE CLOSED



#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3 -

- SENIOR CHOIR - 7:15PM

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 -

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



#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 -

- SHINING LIGHT (APR) - 6:00PM

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 -

- SHINING LIGHT (APR) - ALL DAY



### NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 7-

- LEADERSHIP (APR) - 2:00PM
- SENIOR YOUTH - 5:45PM
- YOUNG LIFE - 7:05PM



#### MONDAY, JANUARY 8 -

- CUB SCOUTS (APR) - 6:30PM
- BOY SCOUTS (APR) - 7:00PM
- SONBEAMS - 7:00PM

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 -

- OUTREACH (APR) - 7:00PM
- SENIOR CHOIR - 7:15PM



#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 -

- GIRL SCOUTS (APR) - 6:30PM
- SPIRIT OF PRAISE - 7:00PM

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 12 -

- MISSION TEAM PAINT NIGHT (APR) - 6:00PM



### 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  
**SONBEAMS CHOIR**  
Sandra Gingrich  
**YOUNG LIFE CHOIR**  
Sandra Gingrich

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

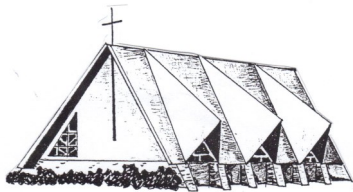
Tue to Fri  
10:00AM to 2:00PM

#### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Wednesday 10:00AM

#### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

The 15<sup>th</sup> of each month



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

**1st Sunday After Christmas**

**December 31, 2017**

(The \* denotes when the Congregation stands.)



*As we make our New Year's resolutions, help us, O Lord, to remember  
the New Covenant You have made with us through Christ our Savior.*

PRELUDE

“The Birthday Of A King”

by Neidlinger

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda Anderson

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

**GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD**

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

**C: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.**

L: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

**C: We have beheld Christ's glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.**

L: For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

**C: In Him was life, and the life was the light of all people.**

\* **CAROL** “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” #224

**GROWING TO KNOW GOD**

PRAYERS & CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In unison, using sins)

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever.  
**AMEN.**

\* **CAROL** “Away in a Manger” #217

SHARING OF GOD'S BLESSINGS

THE OFFERTORY

by Cooper

“Star Of The East”

\* **THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING** #95

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

MESSAGE

Mitch Galloway

“Lessons and Carols”

Lesson “The King Will Come from Bethlehem” Micah 5:2, 5a

Carol “O Little Town of Bethlehem” #230

Lesson “The Annunciation to Mary” Luke 1:26-35,38

Carol “What Child Is This” #219

Lesson “The Birth of Jesus” Luke 2:1-7

Carol “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” #229

Lesson “The Shepherds Go to See the Savior” Luke 2:8-16

Carol “While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks” #236

Lesson “Jesus Receives His Name” Luke 2:21-36

ANTHEM “How Far?” Senior Choir

Lesson “The Magi Follow the Star” Matthew 2:1-11

Carol “We Three Kings” #254

Lesson “The Mystery of the Incarnation” John 1:1-14

**GOING TO SERVE GOD**

\* **HYMN** “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” #251

\* EXIT OF THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\* **CHORAL BENEDICTION**

**This is our Christmas Blessing. May love and peace light your way. May you know all its warmth and wonder not just at Christmas, not just at Christmas, but each and every day of the year. Amen.**

THE POSTLUDE

by Tunney

“O Magnify The Lord”



Because of Jesus, we are not slaves to God but children of God - and if children, then heirs. Thank you, Abba, Father, for embracing me as your child. (Based on Galatians 4:7.)

**SERVING YOU THIS WEEK**  
**9:00AM SERVICE**

**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:**

**Children's Sunday School Teacher:** Shawnee Thomas  
**Greeters:** Glen & Barb Huson  
**Nursery:**  
**Sound Tech:** Nick Coby & Dan Champagne  
**Media Shout:** Ann McGinnis  
**Welcome Committee:**

**SERVING YOU THIS WEEK**  
**10:30AM SERVICE**

**SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK**  
**10:30AM SERVICE**

**Organist:** Nancy Forry  
**Choir Director:** Sandra Gingrich  
**Liturgist:** Linda Anderson  
**Greeters:** Dawson Gilbert  
**Acolyte:** Molly Smith  
**Nursery:**  
**Counters:** Corey Grove & Deb Shultz  
**Sound Tech:**  
**Media Shout:**  
**Ushers:** Brian Hildebrand, Vince Anderson, Steve Lutz

**Organist:** Nancy Forry  
**Choir Director:** Sandra Gingrich  
**Liturgist:** Bill Waldrup  
**Greeters:** Ralph & Betty Saylor  
**Acolyte:**  
**Nursery:**  
**Counters:** Jay Beaver & Dick Daugherty  
**Sound Tech:** Bill Waldrup  
**Media Shout:** Tammy Waldrup  
**Ushers:**

**9:00 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Hymn	"The First Noel"	#136
<b>This week's Scripture Lesson</b>		<b>Next week's Scripture Lesson</b>
"Faith to Unite"		"A Sincere Faith"
Ephesians 4:1-16		Daniel 1:8-21
TBA		TBA

**TITHES & OFFERINGS FOR DECEMBER 24, 2017**

**To the Church From:**

Offering Envelopes	\$2,393.00
Sunday School	0.00
Loose Offering	431.51
Sub -Total	<b>\$2,824.51</b>

**Offerings Designated to go toward:**

Building Fund	60.00
Fair Shares	1,428.00
Flowers	54.00
Maintenance	60.00
Septic	1,844.00
2017 Nativity Offering	3,784.20
Altar Flowers	50.00
Christmas Eve	2,646.00
Water Heater	20.00
Donation for use of Bible Study Kit	50.00
Paint Night	250.00

**Total:**

**\$ 13,070.71**



**PRAYER CONCERNS**

We extend our sympathy to the family of Bruce Grove who passed from life to Life Eternal on December 24.

**Church Family -**

Terry Mee, Pastor Mitch, 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 31, 2017 - January 6, 2018

Bucks UMC, Newport - Antes Fort UMC, Antes Fort - Oakdale UMC, Hunlock Creek - First UMC, Mercersburg - Trinity UMC, Jersey Shore - Faith UMC, East Waterford - Christ UMC, Clearfield - Skinners Eddy UMC, Laceyville - West Hill UMC, Carlisle - St. Peter's UMC, Beavertown



Jerry's & Giant Gift Cards - Please purchase your cards from the church office anytime. Giant gift cards can be used to purchase gasoline. The church receives 5% of each card.



Remember to bring your soda tabs and place in the container for the Ronald McDonald House. This is to help parents of children in Hershey Medical.

# News & Notes



Next Sunday we will be accepting pennies, the first Sunday of every month. There is a container on the table right outside the Sanctuary door. This money goes to local families and to the United Methodist Home for Children in Mechanicsburg. Thank you for your contributions.



UM Women have been collecting Box Tops for many years for the conference sponsored Neighborhood Center in Harrisburg. We want to continue and we ask your help in the collection, however, if you have children or grandchildren at NHW and want to give to that school, you can have your child take the box tops to school. From now on the box in the narthex is for Neighborhood Center.



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.



Sunday 10:30AM

### The Vertical Church

What every Heart Longs For, What Every Church Can Be

By James McDonald

"Unceasing Prayer"

### A Case for Christ

By Lee Strobel

"The Investigation of a Lifetime"

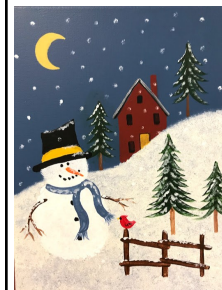
"Eyewitness Evidence"

"Evidence Outside the Bible"

"Analyzing Jesus"

"Evidence for the Resurrection"

"Reaching Your Verdict"



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.