

**TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS**

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| <b>GREETERS</b>    | Sue & Gary Gill   |
| <b>LAY READER</b>  | Tommy Rubillo   |
| <b>ORGANIST</b>    | Pam Perna   |
| <b>SOUND ROOM</b>  | Nate Zechman, Amanda Moyer  |
| <b>VIDEO TECH</b>  | Rylan Ebright   |
| <b>PRAISE TEAM</b> | Brittney Weaver, Zach Umstead,<br>Tommy Rubillo, Greg & Brody Hetrick |

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**Sunday, December 9** 3:30-9 p.m. Fellowship Hall Reserved

**Monday, Dec. 10** 6 p.m. Paint Party

**Tuesday, Dec. 11** 6 p.m. Christmas Cookie Swap

6:30 p.m. Mission Team Meeting    7 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved

**Wednesday, Dec. 12** 6-7 p.m. Sound & Media Team Meeting

7 p.m. Choir

**Thursday, Dec. 13** 10-11:30 a.m. Soaking Prayer    7 p.m. Prayer Meeting

6-8 p.m. Governing Board Meeting

**Saturday, December 15** 5-7 p.m. Christmas Traditions

**Sunday, December 16** 8 a.m. Prayer & Communion

9 a.m. Sunday School    10:30 a.m. Worship

**SMASH NEXT WEEK - Dec. 16**

Next week all students will be responding to the "Good News" by sharing a message of Hope while going Christmas caroling around the streets of Paxtonville during SMASH. Dress warm!!!

**SMASH IS ALSO IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO BE TEACHERS!**

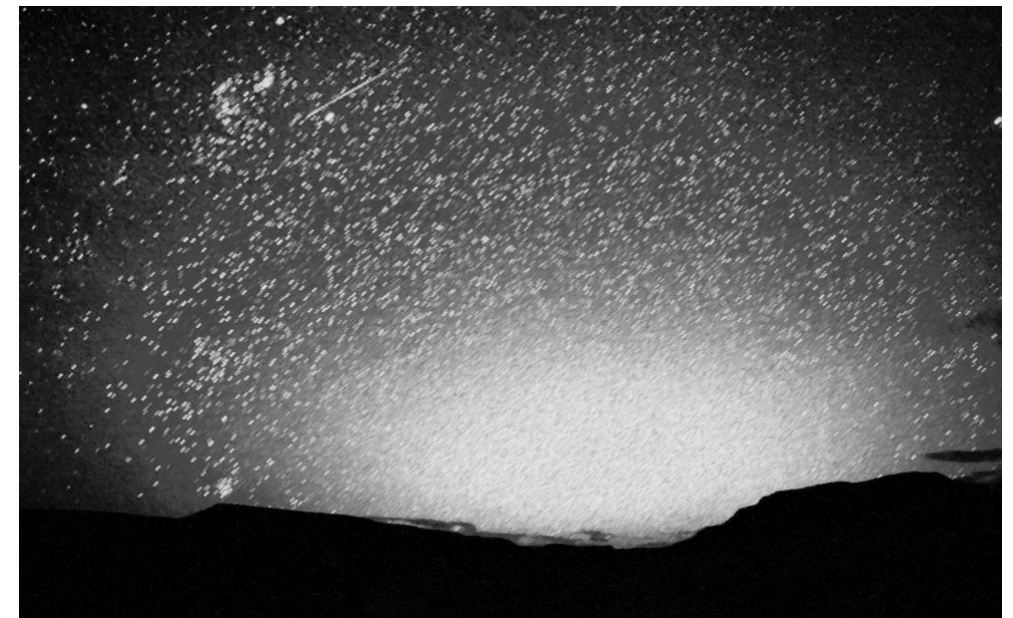
**Talk to Penny Rudy if you would like to help.**

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**Our**

**Mission:**

*To make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

**Our Vision:**

**ENCOUNTER+UNDERSTAND+PRACTICE**

*GOD'S LOVE*

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY of ADVENT**

December 9, 2018

Series: Calm and Bright

Today's Theme: Glories Stream - JOY

(You are invited to stand, as you are able, wherever a "\*" is marked. **Bold print** indicates congregational participation.)

**ENCOUNTER GOD'S LOVE**

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME & DISCIPLESHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS

**PRAISE SONG**

*Joy to the World/Shout for Joy*

**CALL to WORSHIP**

**\*HYMN of PRAISE #236** *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks (1, 2, & 6)*

**UNDERSTAND GOD'S LOVE**

**(Please join in singing the first verse of**

***O Little Town of Bethlehem as the children come forward.*)**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON

Psalm 86:9-11

**PRAISE SONG**

*Trading My Sorrows*

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 2:8-20

SERMON

"Glories Stream - JOY"

Rev. Brian Lucas, Pastor  
General Sunday S

SERMON NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

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***Everyone is invited to attend our Christmas Eve  
Worship Service starting at 7 p.m.***

**SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY CHORALE**

The Susquehanna Valley Chorale will present their annual "Christmas Candlelight" concert on Sunday, Dec. 9 at 3PM, at Zion Lutheran Church in Sunbury. Following the 100-year-old tradition of Nine Lessons and Carols, originated at Kings College, Cambridge, the program will also feature special guest, the Susquehanna Valley Youth Chorale. This concert was a sold out / standing room only success this past December. Experience an official ringing in of the season, and enjoy a concert filled with the glorious music of the most wonderful time of year. Visit [www.svcmusic.org](http://www.svcmusic.org) for more information and tickets.

**COMMUNITY TREE-LIGHTING**

A tree was recently purchased and planted at the Paxtonville Park in memory of Karmyn Wagner. On Friday, December 14th there will be a dedication service, tree-lighting, and carol sing beginning at 6 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

**LARGE PRINT**

We are now printing some large print bulletins. Any of you who would prefer one; please ask the greeters when you are entering the sanctuary.

**LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP**

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|---------------------------|------------|
| General Fund              | \$9,797.00 |
| Sunday School             | 32.00      |
| Missions                  | 60.00      |
| HUB                       | 75.00      |
| Sierra Leone Mission Trip | 50.00      |
| Building Fund             | 50.00      |

### MISSIONS TEAM

The Missions Team will be having a meeting on Tuesday, December 11 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in being part of this team is encouraged to attend.

### TICK TOCK



Our Worship Design Team is looking for clocks. With Pastor Brian starting a new worship series in the new year, our worship design team is in need of clocks (working or non-working) to decorate our Sanctuary. If you have any to help the team, please speak to Mary Kauffman.

### DECK THE HALL

P.B., here! It occurs to me that many families have Christmas traditions, and many of those involve particular items or collections. For us, it's decorating our tree with ornaments collected from vacations; and displaying a number of nativity sets (I'm pretty sure we have more than a dozen). What's yours? I'd love to see your collections and sample your traditions, and I'm thinking others would as well, so we're going to try "A New Christmas Tradition: Gather the Past & Enhance the Present." We still have tables available. This is scheduled for Saturday, December 15 from 5-7 and will be open to the public (invite your neighbors!). We will also have music and refreshments. If you are interested in participating, just contact the office to reserve a half or whole table.

### REAL WOMEN'S MINISTRY

On December 11 at 6 p.m., join us as we host our first Christmas Cookie Swap. Here is how it works, you bring the number of dozen(s) that you would like to take home and containers to take them home in. Once we see how many people come, we will figure out how we are going to "swap" the cookies. We will have light refreshments, a devotion and maybe, just maybe some holiday fun!

### CAROLING

PUMC will be continuing its Christmas caroling tradition this year on Sunday, Dec. 16. We will meet at the church at 6PM to organize ourselves, carpool to each destination, and gather at the home of Adam Dietz for refreshments afterwards. This is always an evening of merriment, and serves as an easy and effective way to spread the love of God, and some holiday cheer!

ACTION STEP: Based on what I ENCOUNTERED in today's worship experience, one thing I can do this week to ENCOUNTER, UNDERSTAND, and PRACTICE God's love is:

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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"O Come to Us, Emmanuel"*

Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRESENTATION OF OUR LIVES AND OFFERINGS

SERMON "TEXT"

### PRACTICE GOD'S LOVE

\*HYMN of PARTING #240

*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

\*PARTING BLESSING

P: I invite you to face the center aisle as the light moves out into the world and say our Advent/Christmas blessing with me:

**C: Go with God into this day, may the Spirit guide your way. Offer joy to all you greet, like Christ, see God in all you meet.**

\*TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

\*POSTLUDE

Next week we will continue our series "Calm and Bright," with a theme of "Redeeming Grace - LOVE" based on John 1:1-5, 14, 16-17, and Romans 3:23-24. What will Pastor Brian have to say?

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

I know some of you are more into the electronic age of sending Christmas greetings via email or social media, but some also still enjoy sending and receiving hand held greeting cards. So here are the addresses of our shut-ins for those of you still snail mailing cards to send Christmas wishes to those who may not get many:



### **Sara Seebold**

The Manor @ Penn Village, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
51 Route 204  
Selinsgrove, PA 17870

### **Goldie Womer**

10060 White Church Road  
Middleburg, PA 17842

### **Chandis Klinger**

141 American Chestnut Lane  
Middleburg, PA 17842

### **Lois Yeater**

209 Westfield Terrace  
Apt. A  
Middleburg, PA 17842

## MONDAY MORNING MOCHA

With the crazy schedules it seems everyone has in December, PB is taking one thing off of your list of places to go: for the month of December there will be no Monday Morning Mocha.

## DELEGATE DISCUSSIONS

Join the General Conference Delegates and Conference Leadership on Saturday, January 19, in a discussion about the Special Session of General Conference in February.

You will have the opportunity to ask questions, voice your concerns, and have your voice heard.

Register today at [susumc.org/discussions](http://susumc.org/discussions)

# December 9-15

## "CIRCLE OF PRAYER" CHURCHES,

### Bishop Jeremiah Park,

### Rev. Larry Leland, District Superintendent

First UMC, Millersburg, Faith Chapel UMC, Howard, Broad Top UMC, Broad Top, Emmanuel UMC, New Berlin, Clarkstown UMC, Muncy, Dallas UMC, Dallas, St. Luke's UMC, Shade Gap, Calvary UMC, Dillsburg, Pfoutz Valley UMC, Millerstown, Meshoppen UMC, Meshoppen  
Rev. Dr. Dennis Keller\* - *Gen. Conf. Delegate (Clergy)*

Paul Ilyes Jr.\* - *Gen. Conf. Delegate (Laity)*

### **WE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS**

**Jim Portzline, Alex, Janet Ettinger, Martha Herman, Goldie Womer, Amy Keerans,**

Molly Herman, Paul Snyder, Gavin Keerans, Jennifer Ritter, Chandis Klinger, Shari Dunn, Davannah Dunn, Denny Levan, Children's Ministry  
w/ KrisAnn & Dan Wilcox @ First UMC, Wasilla AK, Bill Kerstetter,

LaDawn Stuck Straub, Shirley Erdley, Ben Keiser, Janet Kline, Messiah Campus, Betty Drumheller, Stan Ritter, Peg Aumiller, Kofi Ata, Richard Jordan, Peggy Rearick, Larry Zechman, Sarah Reichenbach, Guy Kerstetter, Finley Snook,

Linda Hoy, Diane Shamory, David Hinds, Paul Kratzer, Carolyn Hassinger, SMASH, Heidi Burns, Tombodu UMC & Pastor Jonathan Kellie, Geraldine Stroup,

Keith Martin, John Getz, Byron Hassinger, Jackson Ritter, Darryl Shirk, Mary Ewing, Matthew Keister, Anna Reigle, Mark Paige, Cohen Herman,

Sara Seebold, Peg Mattern

**Psalm 86:9-11 (CEB)**

**All the nations that you've made will come and bow down before you, Lord; they will glorify your name, because you are awesome and a wonder-worker. You are God. Just you. Teach me your way, Lord, so that I can walk in your truth. Make my heart focused only on honoring your name.**

**Luke 2:8-20 (CEB)**

**Nearby shepherds were living in the fields, guarding their sheep at night. The Lord's angel stood before them, the Lord's glory shone around them, and they were terrified. The angel said, "Don't be afraid! Look! I bring good news to you – wonderful, joyous news for all people. Your savior is born today in David's city. He is Christ the Lord. This is a sign for you: you will find a newborn baby wrapped snugly and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great assembly of the heavenly forces was with the angel praising God. They said, "Glory to God in heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors."**

December 16th

Next week all students will be having a Pray & Praise party in the coffee house to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

December 23rd

Next week there will be no SMASH. We will be having Family Huddles.