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PASTOR JERRY'S MESSAGE



"Now the feast and celebration, all of creation sings for joy! To the God of life, and love, and freedom, praise and glory forevermore."

Italicized portions of article, excerpts from "Now the Feast and Celebration" Marty Haugen

Greetings Everyone!

My hope and prayer is that this newsletter finds you all doing wonderful as the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany quickly approach!

As I was thinking and praying to our Lord about what to share with all of you for this newsletter, **"new life!"** continued to come into my mind! I am constantly amazed at how God continually re-creates our lives, providing us with blessings upon blessings, that change our lives in deep and profound ways!

The time period that is covered in this edition of our newsletter will be a monumental time for our community of faith and our personal lives as disciples of Jesus Christ!

On December 1st (on St. Peter's campus) and December 8th (on Light of Christ campus), we will be voting to determine whether this great experiment called the United Proclamation of the Gospel will continue to move forward. As I have fervently prayed about this process I have been able to find great comfort and peace knowing that the past two+ years have provided so many wonderful and incredible ministries to "Proclaim God's love" within our community.

Regardless of the outcome of this vote, on a very personal level, I have been humbled to witness the efforts put forward by so many disciples and the hearts and love shared by so many. I have also been humbled to bear witness to how God's Spirit has profoundly "moved" so many people within our midst. I am also incredibly

"Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, Whose blood has freed and united us, to be ONE great people of God."

"Power and riches, wisdom and strength, all honor and glory to Christ, forever!"

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confident that “new life” will await our community as we move forward with ministry in Bethlehem. My hope and prayer is that we all will seek God’s Will in this process and allow the Spirit to work among us.

“For God has come to dwell with us, to make us people of God, to make all things new!”

These words remind me of the anticipated Christmas season! A time of joyful celebration as we recall that God came to us in the form of a human baby. Jesus! New life awaited the world over 2,000 years ago, and “new life” awaits all who allow their hearts and minds open to the possibilities of a “new life” more dedicated and committed to God! My heart rejoices in anticipation of how wonderful Christmas season 2019 will be!

In January, we will be again focused on the many ways that our God is revealed to the world! From the star hanging in the night sky, to the waters of baptism, God’s persistent pursuit of each of us will be proclaimed anew as we begin “new life” in the new calendar year!

May our Lord provide wisdom and understanding and great joy throughout these seasons!

Peace and blessings,
PASTOR JERRY

CHRISTMAS SEASON 2019



“THE BIG REVEAL”

This Christmas will once again provide our community many opportunities to worship our Lord and celebrate this most glorious season!



LONGEST NIGHT CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Saturday, December 21, 2019 at 5:00 PM
on our Light of Christ Campus



The first of many Christmas celebrations for the United Proclamation of the Gospel is much more subdued than many of our worship expressions. The

Longest Night Christmas Worship is specifically designed for people who may feel a little “out of step” with the rest of the world during this generally joyous time. We will recall the hopes and promises of the coming Messiah, light candles in remembrance of those who we will miss during this season, and cling to hopeful expectation of our baptismal promises! Always a moving worship, please consider joining us!

LESSONS AND CAROLS WORSHIP

Sunday, December 22, 2019 at 9:30 AM
on our St. Peter’s Campus



Join the UPG as we celebrate the end of Advent and first hints of Christmas with a worship celebration filled with time honored Scripture lessons and beautiful music! Always a special worship featuring the combined UPG choir and wonderful hymns!

FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Tuesday December 24, 2019 at 4:00 PM
on our Light of Christ Campus

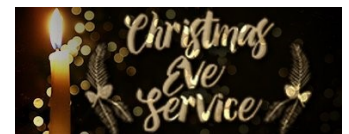
This year we are excited to reveal a newly formatted Family Christmas worship. Each and every child who comes to this exciting worship will be invited to actively participate in the celebration of the birth of Jesus. The young people within our community of faith will truly have a glorious opportunity to “Proclaim God’s love, one heart at a time!”



TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

Tuesday December 24, 2019 at 6:00 PM
on our St. Peter’s Campus and 8:30 PM
on our Light of Christ Campus

Join our community of faith in our Traditional Christmas Eve Worship celebrations as we remember “God’s Big Reveal!” Wonderful music, the time honored story retold, Holy Communion, and a candle lit sung “Silent Night” will all be part of this celebration!



CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

**Wednesday December 25, 2019 at 10:30AM
on our St. Peter's Campus**

Join us on Christmas Day when, like the warm embers of a once roaring fire, we give thanks to our God for the incredible and loving gift our Lord always provides us! Pray, sing, ring the church bell, all await you at this beautiful worship.



CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND HYMNS Sunday December 29, 2019 at 9:30 AM on our Light of Christ Campus



One more opportunity to sing some of our favorite Christmas hymns! One more opportunity to hear the "Good News" of the birth of Jesus Christ! Another opportunity to feel the glow and the joy of our Christmas season through Word and song!

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISMS!

During the weekend worship celebrations on January 11 and 12, as we celebrate the "Baptism of our Lord" we will also be remembering our own baptisms! On this weekend we ask that you bring to worship remembrances of your baptism. Pictures, banners, gowns, certificates, whatever you might have that reminds you of this glorious day in your life. Tables and our window sills will be available to display these items!



"UPG 46'ERS EVENT!"



A wonderful new ministry opportunity is now available for children between 4th grade and 6th grade! The "46'ers Youth ministry" will provide a chance for young people to come together on a regular basis sharing fellowship and fun! Our first ministry event will occur on Sunday January 19, 2020 at 3:00 PM on our St.

Peter's Campus. During this our time together this month we will learn each other's names, play some games and find out who our "big brother or big sister" might be! Our time together will end at 5:00 PM on this night.

If you are interested in having your child be part of this ministry, please fill out the registration form found in this month's newsletter or available at Sunday school or church and return to Lynn Terry or Pastor Jerry.

UPG YOUTH EVENT

Our UPG youth group (7th-12th grade) will be sharing a night together on Sunday January 19th, 2020 from 4:00 PM-10:00 PM on our St. Peter's Campus! As requested by our youth we will be having a wonderful time of fellowship playing some of our favorite games on our St. Peter's Campus. An evening meal will be provided after our "little brothers and little sisters" head home for the evening.



HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER (CoMiT)

- ⇒ **November 27, 2019**—LoC
 - ⇒ **December 4, 2019**—St. John's Windish
 - ⇒ **December 11, 2019**—Star of Bethlehem
 - ⇒ **December 18, 2019**—St. Peter's
- All Worship services will be held at 7:00 PM

The Church office will have reduced hours: December 23 through January 3. Office will be closed on December 24, 25 and January 1 and 20.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Mark your calendars! Once again, we would like to start of the new year by showing our generous thanks to all the first responders who work hard in our community year-round. To that end, we will host a First Responders Breakfast and Luncheon on Saturday, January 18, 2020 (with a snow date of the following Saturday, January 25). Since our event spans breakfast and lunch, we



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need lots of volunteers and food. You can volunteer for the breakfast shift or for the lunch shift, or stay the whole day! We ask that breakfast shift volunteers arrive at St. John's Windish by 7:00 AM and remain until 11:00 AM. For the lunch shift, we ask that volunteers arrive at St. John's by 11:00 AM and remain until clean up is complete around 3:00 PM. If you would like to help with this awesome event, please let Gina Brockway or the church office know – and let them know which shift you'd like to volunteer at. We also created an online signup form at the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0444A9AC2CAAFC1-first>



We also need volunteers to donate food and paper products, make soups, chili, & desserts too!

We hope you can help us show our thanks & appreciation to our community's First Responders!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We wanted to take a moment to say "Thank You!" to the Young family! For over 50 years the Young's have provided the very large live Christmas Tree for St. Peter's. This year, the family contact has gone out of business and transportation difficulties have prevented the family from continuing this long standing tradition. We thank the Young's for all they have shared with our community of faith over these decades!



WINTERFEST



Winterfest will be held on December 7, 2019 from 4:00—7:00 PM on the Light of Christ campus. We have planned activities

for all age groups. First of all, a live nativity scene will take place along with the story of the birth of Jesus. Entertainment will consist of guitar players/singers, and a barbershop quartet. There will be children's games and balloon figure creations, and Santa and his special elf will make an appearance.

Parents are allowed to take photos. Everybody is allowed to participate in the ugly sweater contest. Food (hot dogs, snacks, cookies) will be provided.

This event needs lots of helping hands. Please sign up to help setting up, bake cookies, serve as a host, participate in the live nativity, work in the kitchen, be a "Christmas elf" to deliver cookies, work with the children's games, work at Santa's shop, and help clean up.

BLOOD DRIVE

A Blood Drive will be held December 15, 2019 on the Light of Christ campus from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.



Dear members of the UPG,

Have you ever noticed how many of our hymn texts contain the word "light" or use words that refer to "light?" During the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany, we will sing many ELW hymn texts (like the ones below) that refer to Jesus Christ as the One who brings Light into the world. The texts of our hymns are rich with "light" imagery.



We sing this Advent text as we await Jesus' birth: *Now your manger, shining bright, hallows night with newborn light. Night cannot this light subdue; let our faith shine ever new.* ("Savior of the Nations, Come" – ELW #263)

We proclaim Jesus' birth in this Christmas carol: *Love has come – a light in the darkness! Love shines forth in the Bethlehem skies. See, all heaven has come to proclaim it, hear how their song of joy arises: Love! Love! Born unto you, a Savior! Love! Love! Glory to God on high!* ("Love Has Come" – ELW #292)

In Epiphany, Jesus' earthly life shines like a beacon to give us hope and inspire us to carry on his ministry of love and service. And so we sing: "Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true and only

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light, Sun of righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night, dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear. ("Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" – ELW #553)

We proclaim that Christ is the world's true Light. As children of the Light, we must shine that Light into a world that longs to hear words of peace, love, joy and hope. Come to worship and be strengthened by words of scripture, texts of hymns, petitions in prayers, and the Bread and Wine of the Meal; be empowered to witness your Light to others.

The words of this hymn text could be our daily goal: *I want to walk as a child of the Light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus. ("I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" – ELW #815)*

May God richly bless you and your loved ones as the Light of Christ breaks into our world.

Share Christ's Light,
LINDA MAULE, DEACON

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS TEAM

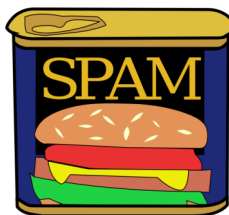
PILLOWCASES



Women of the UPG sewed over 50 pillowcases to provide one for each of our homebound members. Ministers of Holy Communion will deliver them during November and December when they make their visits. We want all homebound members to know they are loved and remembered.

PANTRY SUNDAY-JANUARY 14

Our collection of non-perishables for New Bethany Ministries will resume on Sunday, January 14. Needs at New Bethany are: canned entrees, Spam, and canned fruit.



**MISSION DISTRICT
CHRISTMAS INGATHERING**

Our UPG commitment to collect 175 bars of soap and 175 washcloths has concluded. The total items is much more generous than what we were assigned. The Ingathering will be held on Wednesday, December 4th at Hope, Tatamy at 10:00 AM. If you would like to volunteer to help pack items for distribution on that day, please contact either church office: Light of Christ – 610-691-2321 or St. Peter's – 610-867-0519. Thank you for your donations.



FALL COLLECTIONS



Thank you to everyone who participated in collecting Pop Tops for Ronald McDonald House Charity; for bringing in food and other supplies for the animal shelter; and for providing Thanksgiving meals to families who are in need.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES OF THE UPG

On December 1st, the Giving Tree at St. Peter's will be decorated with paper mittens and children's names. Please purchase a pair of children's mittens or gloves and a hat and return the items to the church in a clear plastic Ziploc bag along with a \$3 donation for the purchase of a children's book. These gifts will be given to the Head Start children on St. Peter's campus.



On December 1st, the Giving Tree at Light of Christ will be decorated with paper Christmas trees tags that will request a donation of \$20 for a pair of "Shoes That Grow." Your gift of \$20 will provide a type of sandal that can be expanded to "grow" five sizes for a child in an undeveloped country. (You will find a sample shoe in front of the Narthex Christmas tree.)

Please make checks payable to Light of Christ and include your envelope number and write "shoes" on the memo line; return the check with the "tree" tag to the church office by Christmas Eve.

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Thank you for sharing Christmas joy with the children of Head Start and a child in Kenya that has no shoes.

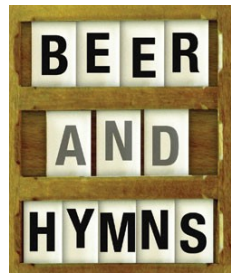
BETHLEHEM EMERGENCY SHELTER



The Bethlehem Emergency Shelter at Christ UCC, Market Street, is now open for the winter season. The UPG has taken on a commitment to provide food and/or overnight supervision on Tuesday evenings, December 3rd and January 7th. If cooking or staying overnight is not convenient, there are plenty of other jobs for volunteers on those evenings. Youth (age 14 and up) can register to help and receive credit for community service. Please give your name to Michel Lloyd if you can volunteer.

BEER AND HYMNS AT BREW WORKS

Please mark your calendars to participate with members of St. John's Windish at Brew Works to enjoy some liquid refreshment with lunch and the singing of favorite hymns. There are two possible dates: February 29 or March 7th from 12 noon to 2:00 PM. One of the dates will be confirmed in the February newsletter.



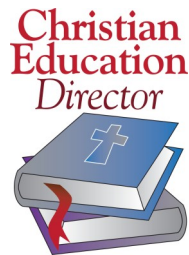
COLLECTION OF PLASTIC LIDS

If you dislike the idea of plastic ending up in landfills, this is the project for you and it will benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Easton. Their collection of 550 lbs of bottle caps earned them a triangular picnic table; they are continuing the project and we can help.



Beginning on January 5th, bring in your plastic caps from drinks, ketchup, milk jugs, medicine, ointments, detergent, hair spray, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, baby food, cottage cheese, mayonnaise, yogurt, cream cheese, peanut butter, ice cream buckets, Cool Whip, coffee cans, etc.

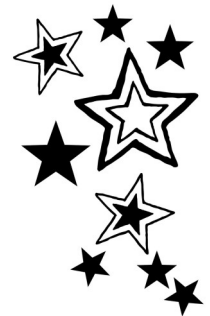
No metal caps, or caps from soap pumps, lotion pumps and K-cups are acceptable. Recycling #s 2, 4, 5 are acceptable; #s 1, 3, 6, 7 are not. There will be a collection box on each campus. Start saving your lids now. Collection will end on February 23.



Dear members and friends,

We are looking forward to our second, annual Winter Festival on our Light of Christ campus, called Winterfest, on December 7, 2019 from 4:00 -7:00 PM. Members of our Sunday School and others will be participating in the Live Nativity. New this year are photos with Santa Claus! Many amazing fun and entertaining activities are planned for this festival! We hope you can attend!! It is not too late to volunteer for a spot in the Live Nativity. Please contact Lynn Terry at the LOC church office if interested. Thank you.

The ceiling of the narthex will be adorned with shining white and silver stars welcoming you to Winterfest. The stars were created by our Sunday School students with the help of Kathy and Larissa Pelletiers.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR UPG FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE



The Christmas Eve worship schedule has been announced for the UPG. The family service will be held on our LOC campus at 4:00 PM.

Please know that all children who attend this service will have the opportunity to wear a costume and participate fully in the service. If your child attends Sunday School they will have the opportunity to learn a song which will be sung during the offertory for the children. They will be considered the children's choir. All children attending the service will sing the songs that are selected as part of

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this service. Children will also read the bible lessons and other parts of the service.



We will practice the songs during Sunday School beginning on November 24th and continuing each Sunday through December 15, 2019.

We will hold the Saturday rehearsal in Light of Christ's sanctuary on December 21, 2019 from 10:00-11:00 AM with the party following in the fellowship hall at 11:00 AM. Santa and Mrs. Claus will once again attend our Christmas party with a small gift for each child. Volunteers will be needed to help with the children and the party.

The children are asked to bring personal care items for babies to the 4:00 PM service on Christmas Eve. Suggested items are bath soap, diapers (any size), baby wipes, baby shampoo, baby lotion, Desitin and baby wash. We will give these donations to area families in need of them. The congregation is invited to help us with this collection. Items may be placed in the red basket in the narthex of the Light of Christ campus and in the collection area on the St. Peter's campus. Thank you for helping us help others!



There will be no Sunday School on December 22 and 29, 2019. We will have one worship service on each of these Sundays at 9:30 AM. On December 22 it will be held at St. Peter's and on December 29 the service will be held at Light of Christ.

On November 2, 2019 we assembled ten care packages for our college students and military members for whom we were given addresses. Thank you to the following people for the homemade cookies and other delicious treats for the packages and/or for helping wrap the packages and/or for monetary gifts for the postage: Ron Dalla Piazza, Michelle Harvey, Sandy Horwath, Michel Lloyd, Carol



Quirk, Jane Shollenberger, Stephanie Skinner, Bonnie, Jon and Sophie Terry and Gerry Welton. We have heard from some of the recipients and know the packages were very much appreciated!! Thank you to all of the people whose participation has allowed this ministry to thrive!!!

Many people worked together to contribute to the celebration of our youth's confirmation on November 10, 2019. Thank you to Tracy Haas for her work on the class photo, to Annette Jones and to Jennifer Grube for the flowers worn by the confirmands, to Sharon Heidecker for the calligraphy on their certificates and to Carol Knauss for the cake for the reception. Thank you to Kasey Bosco, Bette Kovach, Jennifer Grube, Tina Piscitello and Elizabeth Elterich for the food for the confirmand's dinner. Thank you to all who made the worship and celebration special for Hannah Bosco, Olivia Grube, Hannah Nolan and Massimo Piscitello. God Bless Our Confirmands!!

The 8th and 9th Grade Confirmation class will resume in January. Please see the calendar of events for the dates of the classes at the end of this article. Please remember that while confirmation classes are not being held during Advent that church and Sunday School attendance is ongoing.

LOOKING AHEAD TO EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY'S EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 2019 AND JANUARY 2020:

- ⇒ **December 7, 2019**—WinterFest LoC Campus 4:00 PM—7:00 PM
- ⇒ **December 1, 8, 15, 2019**—part of each Sunday School class devoted to the Children's Christmas Eve Service for preschool through 6th grades.
- ⇒ **December 21, 2019**—10:00-11:00 AM. Rehearsal for Children's Christmas Eve Service, LoC Campus, Christmas Party to follow.
- ⇒ **December 22, 2019**—Joint Worship Service at 9:30 AM St. Peter's.
- ⇒ **December 24, 2019**—4:00 PM. Children's Christmas Eve Service LOC Campus
- ⇒ **December 29, 2019**—Joint Worship Service 9:30 AM LoC.

No Sunday School on December 22nd and December 29th

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CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

⇒ **January 12, 26, February 2, 2020**

⇒ **April 26, May 3, May 17, 2020**

All classes from 6:00-7:00 PM in LOC Library.

YOUTH NIGHTS:

⇒ **January 19, 2020 and May 1, 2020**

St. Peter's 4:00-10:00 PM

Wishing you a Blessed Advent Season, a Merry Christmas and God's Blessings in the New Year!

In God's Love,

LYNN TERRY

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Women's Bible Studies

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GATHERINGS

Each month on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, Women of the UPG gather for a time of Bible study, caring for each other, prayer, song, and always some coffee/tea and light snacks. These gatherings happen on the St. Peter's campus from 9:30 to 11 AM, in the Social Room. Come to the parking lot door, ring the St. Peter's doorbell and Kelly will let you into the building. The Social Room is on that level on your left.

During Advent the study times are December 3 and 17. The study focuses on some of the prophecies in the book of Isaiah: let us go to the mountain of the Lord that he might teach us his ways; a shoot shall come out of the stump of Jesse; the wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; ask a sign of the Lord your God. The author, Vonda Drees, likes to study scripture from a meditative, creative perspective and will guide the study with an active participation approach to Bible study.

January 7 and 21 will begin a 4-month study on Martin Luther's idea of vocation and calling, writ-

ten by the Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kleinhans, Dean of Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio. Each of us is called to live out God's plan in a variety of ways. In our work, within our families, within our communities of faith, and in our involvement in the world, what we do and how we respond is in response to God's great love for us and God's world. In this year of 2020, when the ELCA will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Ordination of Women, each of us needs to consider our own calling, our own response to God's great, unending love for each one of us.

There is always a chair waiting for you around the tables. Prayerfully consider making the Bible study part of your December Advent devotion time and a part of your faith journey during 2020.

Bible Study Women's SNOW POLICY: if the Bethlehem Area School District has a delay or schools are closed, there will be no Bible Study that Tuesday. We want everyone to stay safe!

A CHRISTMAS TEA FOR ALL WOMEN OF THE UPG



All women of the UPG are invited to the St. Peter's Campus on Tuesday, December 3, at 11:15 AM for a light lunch and Christmas tea. The Tea is held in the Social Room, so come into the building at the parking lot door and **ring the Social Room Doorbell**. Feel free to bring a snack, dessert or some Christmas cookies, if you care to. You may also bring along a favorite mug or teacup or use one of the ones on the table. It is a time to enjoy some good snacks, a good cup of tea or coffee and some fine desserts while spending time with sisters of the UPG.

Take time out for yourself during this busy season and enjoy a good cup of tea with good friends! Note: Snow Policy will be in effect.



CRAFTERS' GROUP

It's time to finish up those holiday projects!! Bring your favorite craft along to St. Peter's Campus on Monday, December 16, from 6:30 to 8 PM

and enjoy the company of other crafters while finishing your last-minute holiday gifts! There is a sturdy table and lots of chairs/sofas on which to work. If you have extra supplies/patterns/ideas to share they are always welcome. There is some chatter, but also some quiet to focus on projects. Enter from parking lot or the front door on Vine street, ring the church doorbell and you will be let into the building. Crafters meet on Level 1 in the UCF room, the door will be open and the lights will be on so you can find the room!! Come, enjoy an evening with other folks who enjoy all varieties of crafting.

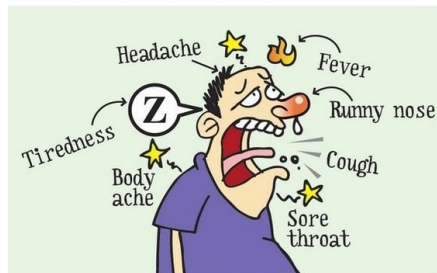
In January 2020, Crafters' Group will meet on Monday, January 20, from 6:30 to 8 PM~time to start some new projects in the NEW Year!



From the Parish Nurse

INFLUENZA

Autumn brings many things: cooler temperatures, colorful leaves, & numerous holidays spent in the company of family & friends. Autumn also brings the start of flu season. While flu viruses are present all year long, October through May is considered peak flu season.



Influenza is a highly contagious respiratory disease. Flu is unpredictable. While anyone is subject to get the flu, it is more often seen in the young and the elderly. Symptoms can range from mild to severe and include: a runny nose, headache, fever, cough, and body aches. Severe cases of the flu can result in hospitalization and even death.

The flu is in its contagious period for 1-2 days before you know you're sick until 5-7 days after symptoms appear. Flu is spread by the drop-let route. Routine functions such as sneezing, coughing, and even talking spread droplets. When

you have the flu coughing or sneezing into your hands, and then touching a hard surface, will also spread the virus, as the influenza virus is able to survive on hard surfaces for up to 48 hours. If someone who is contagious touches a hard surface, say a doorknob, after sneezing into their hand, and you come along and use that doorknob, then touch your face with your hand, you may get the flu.

Complications of the flu include bacterial pneumonia and ear/sinus infections. If you have certain chronic illnesses, such as congestive heart failure, asthma, and diabetes, having the flu may worsen those illnesses.

Behaviors that will help to prevent the spread of the flu include: sneezing/coughing into the crook of your elbow rather than your hands; if you do sneeze or cough into your hands, immediately wash with soap and water, or clean them with hand sanitizer; immediately wash your hands or clean them with hand sanitizer after blowing your nose; get a flu shot.



Although a flu shot may not prevent you from getting the flu, if the flu happens to catch you the shot will help to lessen the symptoms you experience. (Information from the CDC.)

DONNA MUSSELMAN, RN, CNOR
UPG Parish Nurse

BAPTISM

Vivienne Quinn Snow was baptized on November 9, 2019. The parents are Richard and Courtney Snow.



DEATH

Leona Besecker passed away on October 22, 2019. Leona was a member of Light of Christ.

In The Mailbag



Members of the United Proclamation of the Gospel,

You have just helped a homeless mom-to-be, a baby or a struggling new family. It is the generosity of people like you who give these moms the assistance they need. Your donation of \$544.13 helps Cay Galgon Life House to provide housing, counseling and education to start them on the road to self-reliance.

With much appreciation,

The board, staff, volunteers and residents of Life House

Cay Galgon Life House
714 West Broad Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
(610)867-9546

October 8, 2019

Light of Christ Lutheran Church
ATTN: Linda Maule
2020 Worthington Avenue
Bethlehem, PA 18017

Dear Ms. Maule,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff and members of the Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem, we thank you for your generous contribution of \$111.00 to our Club.

Your gift helps us provide a calm, reassuring and stable force in our members' lives at a safe place where they can learn and grow. A place to have fun with other children as well as caring, trained, professional adults. A place for life enhancing programs, hope and opportunity.

My personal thanks to your youth and washing cars to help and support our Club. The kids really enjoy and appreciate coming to the Boys & Girls Club to interact

with others in the program in our five core areas: Character & Leadership, Education & Careers, Health & Life Skills, The Arts & Sports, Fitness & Recreation. Without assistance such as yours, these programs would not be possible.

Again, thank you for thinking of the Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem.

Respectfully,
Winston C. Alozie
Chief Executive Officer

October 28, 2019

The Reverend Jerry Kulp
St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church
474 Vine St.
Bethlehem, PA 18105

Dear Pastor Jerry,

On behalf of the Staff at Northeast Community Center, thank you so much for your generous donation of food to NECC's food pantry. We are so grateful as it supports our largest and most vital program offered to the residents of the Marvine-Pembroke community.

Northeast Community Center has had a very busy few weeks with our After-School Homework Club being in full swing and gearing up for our 2019 Holiday Distributions. Our food pantry has been very successful— During the month of September, the NECC food pantry served 232 families, including 281 adults, 225 children, and 141 seniors. There were 55 new families who accessed the pantry. This equates to 879 individuals served in pantry in September. People accessing the pantry receive canned goods and non-perishables, as well as refrigerated items such as fresh eggs, juice, produce and lunch meats.

We are so grateful for your continuous support and involvement! Thank you for believing in our mission and investing in the residents of the Marvine-Pembroke community. Your generosity truly makes a difference.

With Sincere Gratitude,
Grace Young
Marketing and Development Coordinator

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CHRISTMAS 2019 WORSHIP LEADERS

Date	December 24 LoC 4PM	December 24 St. P. 6:00PM	December 24 LoC 8:30PM	December 25 St. P. 10:30 AM	Dec. 28, 29 Joint Worship 9:30AM LOC
Assisting Minister	4PM - TBD	6PM Elizabeth Elterich	8:30PM Nancy Seidenberg	10:30AM NA	5PM Rossalie Adducie 9:30AM Susan Schellenberg
Communion Assistant	4PM - TBD	6PM Michel Lloyd	8:30PM Nancy Kostas, Mary Mann, Pat Ousley, Richard Romig, Helga Rimonneau	10:30AM Rich Hawk, Elizabeth Elterich	5PM Lou Dravec 9:30 Donna Musselman, Lynn Rawhouser, Kylie Stocker, Jon Terry, Lynn Terry
Lector	4PM - TBD	6PM Rebecca Wise	8:30PM Tom Keener	NA	5PM Kathy Gerhard 9:30AM Joe Bleier
Acolyte/Crucifer	4PM - TBD	6PM Evan Hawk	8:30 Joan Erb	NA	9:30 Sanjay Vaskas
Baker	NA	NA	NA	NA	Julia Bosco
Usher	Lois Zigmund, Donna Mackaravitz, Jean Finn, Helga Rimonneau	Mary Bender, Tony DeAngelis Jr., Rich Hawk	Mike Horwath, George Baltz, Rich Hawk, Cliff Bengston	Richard Elterich, Jordan Hawk	9:30 Joan Erb, Sandra Butch, Rosalie Adduci, Bette Kovach
Greeters	4PM - TBD	Tracy Heberling, Bev and Fred Kunkle	Kathy Coffin and Judy Innes	NA	Ella Baltz, George and Linda Baltz
Altar Guild (LoC)					
Flower Delivery (LoC)				NA	
Sexton (St. P)		Tony DeAngelis Jr.			
Saturday Night Pianist					
Flowers (LoC)					
Flowers (St. P)					
Bulletins (LoC)					
Bulletins (St. P)					
Coffee Corner					

JANUARY 2020 WORSHIP LEADERS

Date	January 4, 5 5PM LOC St. P. 8:45AM LOC 11AM	January 11, 12 5PM LOC St. P. 8:45AM LOC 11AM	January 18, 19 5PM LOC St. P. 8:45AM LOC 11AM	January 25, 26 5PM LOC St. P. 8:45AM LOC 11AM
Assisting Minister	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Josh Gulotta 11 Susan Schellenberg	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Evan Hawk 11 Lynn Terry	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Rich Hawk 11 Sandra Butch	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Jelissa Diaz
Communion Assistant	5PM Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Tony Villani 11 Josh Weierbach, Catherine Ziel, Cliff Bengston, Kasey and Hannah Bosco	5PM Stacy Gerhard 8:45 Rebecca Wise 11 Sandra Butch, Jelissa Diaz, Joan Erb, Karen Favinger, Louise Fielding, Kathy Fielding	5PM Shirley Kulp 8:45 Joe Bleier 11 Delynn Gerhard, Stacy Gerhard, Jennifer Grube, Olivia Grube, Mike Hor- wath	5PM Lou Dracz 8:45 Matthew Bleier 11 Steve and Bonnie Harper, Mike Horwath, Sandy Horwath, Tom Keener
Lector	5PM Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Matthew Bleier 11 Nancy Kostas	5PM Kathy Gerhard 8:45 Jimmy Bleier 11 Gene Luff	5PM Barbara Keener 8:45 Susan DeAngelis 11 Mary Mann	5PM Tom Keener 8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Cliff Ousley
Acolyte/Crucifer	8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Rosalie Adducie	8:45 Michel Lloyd 11 Joan Erb	8:45 Ethan Seixas 11 Kylie Stocker	8:45 Jimmy Bleier 11 Melissa Harvey
Baker	8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Delynn Gerhard	8:45 Bleier Family 11 Louise Fielding	8:45 Gina DeAngelis 11 Pat Ousley	8:45 Susan DeAngelis 11 Gene Sharkey
Usher	8:45 Tony DeAngelis Jr., Gerry Cutsler, Joan Hel- man, Dolores Kennedy 11 Jen & Olivia Grube, Nancy Kostas, Kaylnn Schoenenberger	8:45 Tracy Heberling, Cindy Kemp, Nancy Kostas, Donna Musselman 11 Bonnie, Steve, Eric Harper, Teryan Ger- hard	8:45 Tom and Na Sarver, Tony Villani, Mary Bender 11 Charlie Mann, Richard Hasonich, Jack Reichel, Richard Romig	8:45 Ed/Pat Little, Ethan Seixas, Bruce Billard 11 Bosco Family
Greeters	8:45 Ed/Pat Little, Don- na Musselman 11 Cliff Bengston	8:45 Tom/Na Sarver, Sue Swavely 11 Kasey and Chris Bosco	8:45 Tracy Heberling, Mike Horwath 11 Sandy Butch	8:45 Sandy Horwath, Cindy Kemp 11 Kathy Coffin/Judy Innes
Altar Guild (LoC)				
Flower Delivery (LoC)	Karen Favinger, Buzz Heidecker	Lorraine Kalamar, Bette Kovach	Cliff and Pat Ousley	Richard Romig, Kasey Bosco
Sexton (St. P)	Tony DeAngelis Jr.	Ron Frankenfield	Kim Frankenfield	Kenny Young
Saturday Night Pianist				
Flowers (LoC)				
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