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## PASTOR JERRY'S MESSAGE



*Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit. <sup>20</sup> Do not despise the words of prophets, <sup>21</sup> but test everything; hold fast to what is good; <sup>22</sup> abstain from every form of evil.   
1 Thessalonians 5:17-22*

Greetings and peace to you!

*In preparation for this edition of the Proclamation, I had the unique opportunity to view my newsletter article from November 2017. The words spoken then, still resonate in my heart today. I thought it would be fun to share these words once again, to renew my call of "Thanksgiving" to a God, Who rejoices with us in this bold statement of faith called the United Proclamation of the Gospel!*

"Welcome to the first ever edition of "The Proclamation!" A monthly newsletter designed and published for the people of the Bethlehem United Proclamation of the Gospel which serves God's children gathered at Light of Christ Lutheran Church and St. Peter's Lutheran Church!

Ironically, our first edition of this monthly offering comes in a month normally focused on the events of "Thanksgiving!" As God's children living in the year of our Lord 2017 we are called to bear witness to God's continuing works of love in the world in which we live. What better way to celebrate the commencement of our ministry together than with a word of Thanksgiving to God for the bounty of the United Proclamation of the Gospel!

Join me in giving thanks to our God for the communities of faith in St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Messiah Lutheran Church, and St. Peter's Lutheran Church who have for over a century proclaimed God's creative and redeeming works across Bethlehem side by side with many other Christian churches in our area! Join me in giving thanks to our God for people who had the vision to join our communities of faith together in powerful ways; sharing our financial, our creative, and all of our resources together in profound ways to

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make our proclamation of God’s enduring love even more bold and more powerful in the world in which we live! Join me in giving thanks to God for each community’s unique heritage and unique story which enables us to “see” God through more diverse eyes! Join me in giving thanks to God for Luther and the Reformers who provided for you a structure in which our shared vision of God allows us to come together in a united proclamation! Join me in giving thanks to a synod and a larger church body which allows us to have the freedom to attempt this United proclamation, offering us their support and encouragement instead of placing “roadblocks” before us! Join me in giving thanks to our God for all the leaders of each of these communities of faith who have “paved” the way for our time together to begin. Join me in giving thanks to God for each and every one of you, who have opened your hearts, minds, and spirits, to allow our God to lead us and guide us to this very moment in time!

Truly my sisters and brothers, we have an AWE-SOME and INSPIRING God! We have a God Who embraces each and every one of us and walks with us in all times and places!

November Year of our Lord 2017! Truly a time to give thanks and praise to our God for the blessings of our lives together!

*November, Year of our Lord 2019! Truly a time in retrospect to see the abundant blessings of our time together and look forward to the road before us!*

Peace and blessings,  
**PASTOR JERRY**

### THANKSGIVING EVENING WORSHIP

Please consider joining your sisters and brothers in Christ from across the Lutheran Churches in Bethlehem that c o m p r i s e “Congregations on Mission Together (CoMiT)” for Holden



Evening prayer each Wednesday beginning on November 27, 2019 through the season of Advent.

On November 27, 2019, the UPG will be hosting this event on our Light of Christ campus. Worship begins at 7PM. A time of fellowship with cookies and coffee will follow our worship times in order that we can spend more time with our friends.

Look in the Dec/January Proclamation for the remaining Wednesdays in Advent for the places in which we will gather.



By Frits Ahlefeldt

Greetings and peace,

As many of you are aware, the leadership of the United Proclamation of the Gospel was invited to participate in an ELCA conference which focused on emerging congregations, specifically newly formed communities. This conference, which was held in Baltimore Maryland and had

**“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:” Ecclesiastes 3:1**

approximately 500 people from across the ELCA was indeed powerful for our leadership. As we left this conference, there was a desire in our leadership to be viewed by the larger church (synod and ELCA) as One community of faith. In discussion with the synod and in reviewing our constitutions, we discovered that there is a way in which how we’ve been functioning for the past two years can be formalized by entering into a “Parish agreement” with one another.

The constitutions of Light of Christ Lutheran Church and St. Peter’s Evangelical Lutheran Church allow for the formation of a “parish” in chapter 20. In order for each congregation to be

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part of a “parish” there must be a congregational meeting in which the parish agreement is approved by voting members.

During our October 26, 2019 at the UPG leadership retreat, work was completed to create a “Parish Agreement” document. In the coming weeks, this document, along with the announcement of our annual congregational meetings to approve the 2020 Budget will be mailed to every household of the UPG. This will be the first opportunity in the two plus year existence of the UPG that every person in the UPG will have an opportunity to cast a vote on whether or not we would like our congregations to remain in relationship with one another.

A “no” vote during this process will effectively end the UPG relationship in its current organization and structure. A “yes” vote during this process will allow the UPG to continue moving forward utilizing the visioning plan which was approved in March 2018 in which one of the future hopes would be to create a new single community of faith. Please take note that a “yes” vote to this parish arrangement does not allow anyone to sell, or disburse property, or unify financial assets without first having a called congregational meeting in which voting members approve such a movement.



In reflecting on our 2+ years together, God has provided many wonderful and profound ministries to flourish within our midst. Our leadership is excited about the potential opportunities for continued develop of our vision and mission, but as always we would like to maintain a sense of transparency and desire to follow not only the Will of God in the process but to also honor and respect each of your thoughts and opinions.

We look forward to your thoughts on this topic and look forward to our future.

### **ALL SAINTS DAY WORSHIP**

Please join us on the Weekend of November 2, 3, 2019 as together we celebrate “All Saints Worship” within our community of faith.

During this worship we will remember all of our sisters and brothers in Christ who have entered the Church Triumphant over the previous year.

If you would like to have someone’s name added to be remembered on this day, who has entered the Church Triumphant since last November, please contact one of our church offices not later than October 30, 2019.



Dear members of the UPG,

On October 6th, worshippers at Light of Christ experienced a unique service of praise and thanksgiving for all the years the Child Center provided young children with education in a Christian setting. Children and adults sang songs learned by preschool children to praise God's greatness and love. Voices of young and old rang out with the songs of praise. It reminded me of words from St. Augustine: "to sing is to pray twice." Our music expressed our thanks, our praise, and our love for God twice over.

Later that day I attended a celebration concert of music by groups from Bethlehem and Easton. These singers and musicians presented a wide range of genres of music and yet community was created among those of us in the concert hall despite the diversity of the music. At one point, hundreds of attendees and participants had the opportunity to sing together as a singing leader lined out notes and we sang in harmony. It was an amazing experience combined with listening to the music prepared and presented by the participating groups.

Whether we sing our praises in worship services or listen and sing together in a concert hall, music

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can be the vehicle that transcends many barriers and fosters community. Henry Wordsworth Longfellow had this to say: "Music is the universal language of mankind," (words not as politically correct for our times but we understand what he meant).

Music moves us beyond ourselves to a place where words cannot always take us. Our everyday lives are greatly enriched by many genres of music. Music heightens our joys and celebrations and soothes our sorrows and losses. Martin Luther said it well: "Next to the word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world. It controls our hearts, minds and spirits." Thanks be to God for giving us the gift of music.

Yours in Christ,  
**LINDA MAULE, DEACON**

### MUSIC MINISTRY

The senior choir could use your help as we prepare for Advent and Christmas worship services. If Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM are not convenient, consider joining us for our Sunday morning rehearsals at 10:30 AM on the 2nd floor of the Education building. You and your singing voice are always welcome.



### BETHLEHEM EMERGENCY SHELTER



The Bethlehem Emergency Shelter (BES) is one of the many missions with which the UPG has been actively involved. We have fulfilled many of the responsibilities that are required as volunteers, including registration of shelter guests, preparing and serving the evening meal, being an overnight chaperone and preparing and serving breakfast. This year there are a number of new opportunities available for volunteers and some changes that have been made in the daily operation of the shelter, the most significant being that showers will now be available for the guests if a male and female volunteer are present from 7-9:00 PM.

Previously many of us have prepared food at home and re-warmed it at the shelter but another significant change is that all cooking must be done on site or in a commercial kitchen such as the ones we have at St. Peter's and Light of Christ.



The UPG has partnered with Star of Bethlehem to provide coverage at the BES, with our congregation being responsible to provide a meal and volunteers on the 1st Tuesday of each month from December through April. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this very important mission to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters. It's a wonderful way to share our many blessings and to love others. Volunteer needs are:

1. Registration:
  - 3 volunteers (1 female/1 male) 4:30-7:15 PM
  - 2 volunteers (1 female/1 male) 7:15-10:00 PM
2. Dinner: Provide dinner for all shelter guests and staff in our commercial kitchen
3. Dinner volunteers:
  - 6-8 volunteers for serving/prep
  - 2-3 volunteers for dinner clean up
4. Shower volunteers: Provide 2 volunteers to help with showers from 7-9:00 PM (1 female/1 male)
5. Overnight chaperones: 1 male/1 female from 9:00 PM—7:30 AM
6. Breakfast: Provide breakfast for all shelter guests (can be a continental breakfast)
7. Breakfast volunteers: Minimum 2 volunteers to prepare/serve/clean up breakfast

We cannot operate the shelter without both genders represented in combined staff and volunteers. Please prayerfully consider how you might be of assistance. If you would like more information or are able to help, please contact Michel Lloyd or Kelly Cascario. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve!



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## **GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS TEAM**

### **POP TOPS**

The UPG is collecting the metal tabs from soda cans. Ronald McDonald House Charity is hoping to collect 10 million by December 1st. There are collection boxes on both campuses; please help the UPG support this appeal by bringing in your "pop tops." They can be from soda cans, cat and dog food cans, soup cans, etc. Thank you for supporting this outreach.



### **PILLOW CASES**

Many hands are busy sewing pillowcases for our homebound members – a caring project to let these women and men know they are in our thoughts and prayers.

### **THANKSGIVING BASKETS**



Turkeys and the fixings for a Thanksgiving dinner will be provided by the UPG for families/individuals who need assistance. Please pick up a tag listing a food item that

you could contribute and return the food item by Sunday, November 10th. Please notify Pastor Jerry if you know of someone who is in need of food for Thanksgiving. Thank you for being a blessing to others.

### **VICTORY HOUSE**

The annual Salute the Troops Concert by the Allentown Band takes place on Sunday, November 17 at 3 PM at Northeast Middle School. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students; proceeds will benefit Victory House's homeless veterans program.



### **CHRISTMAS INGATHERING**

Our UPG commitment to collect 175 bars of soap and 175 washcloths is under way. Please bring your contributions to either campus. The Ingathering is Wednesday, December 4th. If you would

like to volunteer to help 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.



### **CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE**

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 the St. Peter's campus. Thank you.

The Giving Tree at Light of Christ will be decorated with paper Christmas trees that request a donation of



\$20 to provide a pair of shoes. Your gift of \$20 will provide a sturdy shoe that will "grow" five sizes for a child in an undeveloped country. The shoes are a type of sandal that can be expanded. Please make checks payable to Light of Christ with "shoes" on the memo line and return the check with your tag to the church office by Christmas Eve. Thank you.

### **HELP FIRST RESPONDERS**

Volunteers from the UPG are invited to join with volunteers from St. John's Windish to

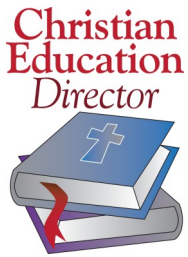


prepare and serve a breakfast and luncheon for first responders on Saturday, January 18th, 2020 (snow date: January 25th). If you can help, please give your name to Linda Maule or call either church office (Light of Christ – 610-691-2321 or St. Peter's – 610-867-0519).

### **PANTRY SUNDAYS**

October is our last Pantry Sunday until January 12, 2020 when we will resume our food collection for New Bethany Ministries. Pantry needs will be in the Dec/Jan newsletter.

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Dear friends,

The month of November holds many opportunities for learning, growing and sharing God's Love within the UPG. I will highlight those sponsored by our Educational Ministry Team.

On November 2, 2019 at 9:00 AM on the LOC Campus we will be assembling care packages for our college students and military members for whom we have been given addresses. Come join us in sharing God's love with our friends who are away from home. Thank you to all who will provide delicious baked goods and other items for the packages.



We are looking forward to celebrating with our confirmands at a UPG dinner to be held for the students and Pastor Jerry and Shirley on November 9, 2019 at 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall of our LOC campus. The young people will enjoy a meal together and then go over the details of the confirmation service. Many thanks to the dedicated and generous volunteers who are supporting our youth with their donations of food for this meal.

On November 10, 2019 Hannah Bosco, Olivia Grube, Hannah Nolan and Massimo Piscitello will affirm their baptism at our confirmation worship service on the Light of Christ Campus. Please support them in worship as they make public affirmation of their faith. God bless our confirmands! Thank you to all of the families and volunteers who have supported our youth throughout their confirmation journey.

On November 17, 2019 on our LOC Campus we will hold a Bible Breakfast Program during Sunday School from 9:30AM—10:30 AM. The children and their families will participate in an introduction to the Bible class following breakfast. This will be held in the fellowship hall.

## 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 young children and during communion for the older children. They will be considered the children's choir. All children attending the service will sing the songs that are selected as part of this service. Children will also read the bible lessons.



We will practice the songs on both campuses 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.

## UPDATE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Since Rally Day we have welcomed forty children and youth to our Sunday School classes on the LOC campus. We have the potential to reach fifty-one children who are currently on our LOC rolls. We have welcomed five new students to our program this fall. Due to fall sports, cheerleading and play rehearsals some children will not be joining us until these activities end.

Sunday School is held on the St. Peter's Campus at 10:00 AM and on the LOC Campus from 9:30-10:30 AM each Sunday.

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Victoria Martinez and Leah Cruz celebrated their First Holy Communion on October 6, 2019 and joined in the preschool celebration following.

Ten young people are enrolled in our confirmation program. Our classes are held on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:00 PM in the library on the LOC Campus. Two are from the St. Peter's Campus and eight are from the LOC Campus. All are part of the UPG!!

Carol and Christopher Knauss, Ann Nonnemacher and Karen Schoch have all been decorating and reorganizing their Sunday School classrooms/music room this fall. The hallway bulletin boards have also been designed to reflect our Sunday School program.

We welcome any child/youth to join our Sunday School programs at any point throughout the year. Call Lynn Terry at 610-691-2321 for more information or just come any Sunday!!

### **LOOKING AHEAD TO EDUCATIONAL MINISTRY'S EVENTS:**

- ⇒ **November 2, 2019**—Care Package Assembly 9:00 AM LOC Campus fellowship hall
- ⇒ **November 9, 2019**—Confirmation Dinner for the 10th grade class 6:00 PM LOC Campus fellowship hall
- ⇒ **November 10, 2019**—Confirmation Service 11:00 AM LoC Campus
- ⇒ **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 24th**—4:00 PM. Children's Christmas Eve Service LOC Campus

### **CONFIRMATION CLASSES:**

- ⇒ **January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 2020**
  - ⇒ **April 26, May 3, May 17, 2020**
- All classes from 6:00-7:00p.m. in LOC Library

### **YOUTH NIGHTS (TENTATIVE DATES):**

- ⇒ **January 17, 2020**
  - ⇒ **May 1, 2020**
- LOC Campus Youth Room 7:00-11:00 PM



Dear friends,

Thank you very much to everyone who came to worship on October 6, 2019 and who remained for lunch in celebration of the ministry of our preschool. Your presence was a sign of support to all children and families. Thank you!

It was a joyous worship filled with God's love through the reflections, songs, Bible lessons and messages. We fed over one hundred people and one hundred and twenty-six people attended the service. Thank you to the Thrivent Action Team who made this event possible with support from church members.

I find comfort in the following bible passages and pray that our former staff and families who have started their children in various area schools feel the same sense of peace and comfort.

Jeremiah 29: 11-13. For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart."

I look forward to continuing to seek and share the Lord's presence with God's children through the work of the UPG.

Submitted with thanks and praise to God for His enduring love,

**LYNN TERRY**

Christian Education Director  
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**UPG CONCERT SERIES  
2019-2020 SEASON**

We cordially invite you to attend the ninth season of St. Peter's Concert Series. We have a wide variety of concerts planned. This season promises to be exciting. All concerts are free. So, mark your calendars now. Come to the corner of Packer and Vine to enjoy some Sunday afternoons filled with great music!



**Sunday, November 10 at 3 pm  
Grace Notes Big Band**

The Grace Notes Gospel Big Band is a group of musicians and singers from all areas and denominations of the Lehigh Valley dedicated to spreading God's word through instrument and voice to God's people and those needing encouragement. Since the fall of 2000, our mission has been to WITNESS, WORSHIP and ENCOURAGE with the gifts God has given us.

**Sunday, February 23 at 3 PM  
Recordante**

This woodwind ensemble was organized in 1998 and consists of flute, oboe, clarinet, french horn and bassoon. The instrument combination provides pleasing diversity to the concerts and keeps each performance fresh and exciting.

**Sunday, March 29 at 3 PM  
Marisa Deshler-Organist**

St. Peter's organist performs some of the organ favorites from the Classical and Contemporary Organ Repertoire. This year's concert features works by Buxtehude, Bach, Franck, and Alain.

**Sunday, April 26 at 3 PM  
Music Among Friends**

A "Music Among Friends" concert features friends of over fifty years—all Music Majors from "Montclair State College," {now Montclair University} NJ class of '71. "Still Playing After All These Years" will feature solo and ensemble performances from these successful educators who have taught all levels, from Kindergarten to College. Lucille Kincaid, accompanist from the original "Music

Among Friends" hosts this event and wants you to know that "you will not be disappointed!"

**Sunday, May 3 at 3 PM  
The Royalaires**

The Royalaires Big Band has been providing big band music to the Lehigh Valley from the 1920's, 30's and 40's for over 30 years. Our 17 member band showcases' swing dance, vocals and music from the Big Band era. Just sit and listen or "cut a rug". We're sure we will play something that will bring back memories.

**SPECIAL CONCERT EVENT  
Sunday, January 19 at 3 PM on  
Light of Christ Campus Located at  
2020 Worthington Ave, Bethlehem  
AGO ORGAN POTPOURRI CONCERT**

Organists from the Lehigh Valley Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will perform a wide array of their favorite works from the organ repertoire. Come and enjoy an afternoon of great organ music

**NEW UPG WEBSITE**

The United Proclamation of the Gospel has a new website, <https://www.upgbethlehem.org/> ! While it is not yet completely developed, it already contains a lot of information about the UPG and our two "campuses." We believe it is a big improvement over the individual sites of St. Peter's and Light of Christ.



We encourage you to check it out. Please visit often. The more the site is visited, the more likely it is to appear high in the results of search engines (e.g. Google). You can use your visit to read two daily devotions near the bottom of the home page. "God Pause", based on the readings for the coming Sunday, is written by Alumni/ae of Luther Seminary, and "Meditations for Youth and Adults" is written by Carol Dean Henn of St. John's Windish Church.

You can reach the UPG site by using the above URL, or by clicking a link to it on one of the current church sites.



# Women's Bible Studies

## JOYFILLED OR SAD?

Do you feel joyfilled, angry, sad, or overwhelmed by grief. In reading the Old Testament, there are quite a few stories of people who find themselves very angry at God for a whole variety of reasons, and that's ok, God can handle all our emotions. During the November Gather study, the Old Testament will be the guide, using Psalms and the Song of Solomon.

Women's Bible study will gather on Tuesday, November 5 & 19, from 9:30 to 11 AM on the St. Peter's campus in the Social Room. Come to the door off the parking lot, ring the Church doorbell, and Kelly will let you in. The Social Room is on your left. Coffee, tea and snacks will be waiting.

Prayerfully consider coming to explore together with other women the wide variety of our own emotions and realize they are similar to our sisters and brothers of the Old Testament. The Good News is that God is with us no matter the emotion! There is a chair waiting for you.

## BLANKET MAKING

As the cooler weather arrives, do you pull out your fleece jacket, your mittens, your favorite blanket? Surely, snuggling in a warm, favorite blanket is something everyone, no matter your age, enjoys! It is possible to help others around the world have that same snugly feeling.



Join with others on St. Peter's Campus on Tuesday, November 19, from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the Social Room. Come to the Social Room door, ring the Church doorbell and Kelly will let you into the building. The Social Room is on your left.

There are no special skills needed to help make these warm blankets that will be shipped around the world by Lutheran World Relief. All it takes is

some ironing, fabric cutting, pinning fabric together, and tying knots to hold the 3 layers together. YOU can help do this! If, this time doesn't work for you, be in touch with Elizabeth Elterich or Louise Fielding, and we'll work something out. Large pieces of color fabric are always needed.

## CRAFTER'S NIGHT

Looking for a group of friends to hang with while you enjoy your favorite crafting activity? Come on over to the St. Peter's Campus on Monday, November 18, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. Come to the parking lot entrance or Vine St. main entrance, ring the church doorbell, and you will be let into the church. The Crafter's meet in the UCF on Level 1 of the building. Bring your own project, patterns or extra supplies you'd like to share. Comfy couches, wooden chairs and a good-sized table are all available for your project. Come share your talents and enjoy the company of friends.



## COMMUNITY ADVENT BREAKFAST TICKETS



Community Breakfast

On Saturday, December 9th, the Bethlehem community will gather in the dining room of Moravian Village at 526 Wood St., for the 54th Annual Community Advent Breakfast. Vocal music provided by the Broughal Middle School Chorus begins in the lobby at 8:00 AM and the doors open at 8:30 AM. The morning includes a served hot breakfast, music from the Bethlehem Area Moravian Trombone Choir, and singing of traditional carols, and the lighting of the beeswax candles. The Keynote speaker for the morning is the Rt. Reverend Kevin Nichols, the IX Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem, who serves from our neighbor congregation of the Cathedral Church of the Nativity where the Thrift Store is located. The event will be over about 10:00 AM.

Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for youth 16 and younger. See Barbara Taylor and Elizabeth Elterich for your tickets soon. Invite a friend to experience this preparation for the season of Advent in Bethlehem.

## DEATH

Joyce Klotz passed away on September 22, 2019. Joyce was a member of St. Peter's.



**From the Parish Nurse**

### PERFUME/COLOGNE IN CHURCH

We all take the ability to breathe "normally" for granted; it is something that happens automatically. Until a situation occurs when we cannot breathe as usual. The inability to breathe is an extremely unnerving sensation. Such a situation occurred at one of our UPG campuses during worship. The situation was precipitated by the scent of a perfume/cologne.

This incident was a topic of discussion at the UPG council meeting held on Tuesday, September 17. The outcome of that discussion is that both campuses will purchase at least one battery powered, hand-held mini fan to assist in providing clean air for anyone who may experience sudden respiratory restriction while attending church functions. Additionally, I am also asking for your awareness as it relates to the use of perfume/cologne during church functions. Our goal is make our worship space safe for all who attend functions with us.

Thank you for your assistance in caring for our UPG family!

DONNA MUSSELMAN  
UPG Parish Nurse

### In The Mailbag



Dear Brothers and Sisters of the USB,

I want to thank everyone for their prayers, concerns and cards I received after my recent surgery. I feel so blessed to have so many people thinking of me. It certainly helps the healing process.

In Christian Love,  
Mary Mann

Dear Members of the United  
Proclamation of the Gospel,

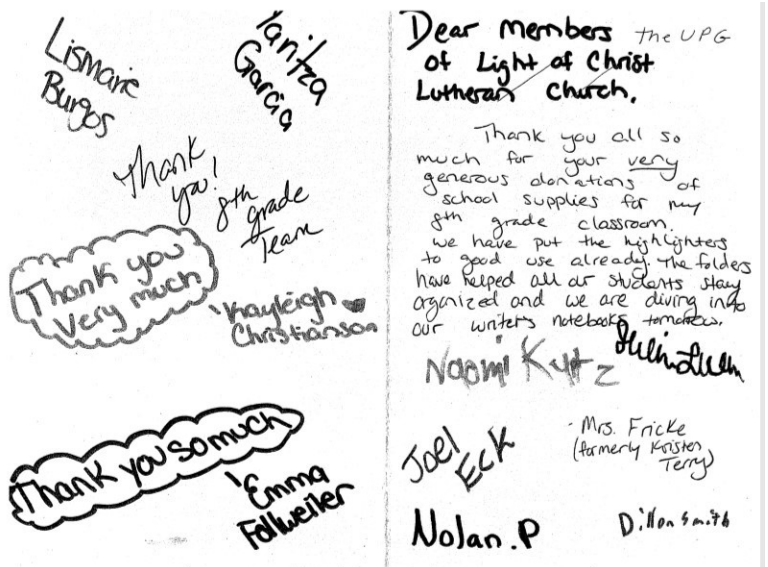
Thank you for your generous donations from your 2019 Baby Bottle Campaign in the amount of \$2008.95 to the Cay Galgon Life House, formerly Mary's Shelter Cay Galgon Center.

The Cay Galgon Life House relies on the kindness and generosity of people like you, and others throughout our local community. Through our transition, Cay Galgon Life House is evolving, revamping, and improving every aspect of the organization. By Fall of 2019 the Cay Galgon Life House plans to expand services and offer extensive counseling to include our clients from both residential and non-residential programs, and we will continue our collaboration with agencies in and around the Lehigh Valley.

We remain steadfast in our mission to provide support, nurture and empower, leading to a life of self-reliance. While caring for women in need, Cay Galgon Life House prepares mothers with newborns for independent living and a vision of hope for the future.

We hope you will continue to support our mission and share in the exciting progress as the Cay Galgon Life House continues to make changes one life at a time!

Sincerely,  
Christine Duddy  
Director of Operations



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**2019 Light of Christ Congregational Council Members:** Sandra Butch, Ron Dalla Piazza, Lou Dravec, Teryan Gerhard, Louise Fielding, Bonnie Harper, Charles (Buzz) Heidecker, Tom Seifert, Michael Truchan

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**Winterfest 2019!**  
**Saturday December 7**  
**from 4-7 PM**

**Remember how much fun we all had at last year's "Winterfest?" We're looking forward to sharing this special outreach mission once again in our community, but we need your help! Please share your gifts of time and talent to help bring the season of Advent to our community!**

My Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I can serve by:

- Help to set up
- Bake cookies (no peanut butter or nuts)
- Serve as "host"
- Be part of the live nativity
- Kitchen staff
- Be a "Christmas Elf" deliver cookies
- Work with children's games
- Work at Santa's shop
- Help to clean up (7-8PM)

**Please tell your neighbors, friends and family about this exciting event!**

Join us for Winterfest 2019 at  
Light of Christ Lutheran Church  
2020 Worthington Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18017





**Mark your calendars for  
the second annual Winterfest  
on Saturday, December 7, 2019  
from 4:00 to 7:00 PM  
on the Light of Christ Campus!**

Live outdoor nativity to tell the story of Jesus' birth to our neighbors!!



**New this year:** Photos with Santa! Our Sunday School is also planning a Christmas craft project for children.



This promises to be a joyful festival with many activities in the planning stages.

(We are asking for volunteers of all ages to take turns being in the nativity. Please contact Lynn Terry at the LOC office if you are interested in being in the nativity!)

## NOVEMBER 2019 WORSHIP LEADERS

Date	November 2, 3 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	November 9, 10 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	November 16, 17 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	November 23, 24 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	5 PM Rosalie Adduccie 8:45 Rich Hawk 11 Nancy Seidenberger	5 PM Rosalie Adduccie 8:45 Michel Lloyd 11 Kaylynn Schoenenberger	5 PM Rosalie Adduccie 8:45 Donna Musselman 11 Lynn Terry	5 PM Rosalie Adduccie 8:45 Tony Villani 11 Sandra Butch
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	5 Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Donna Musselman 11 Louise Fielding, Stacy Gerhard, Jennifer Grube, Olivia Grube, Bonnie Harper	5 Kylie Stocker 8:45 Lynn Rawhouser 11 Rich Hasonich, Mike Horwath, Sandy Horwath, Tom Keener, Nancy Kostas	5 Lou Drav 8:45 Tony Villani 11 Shirley Kulp, Mary Mann, Hannah Nolan, Pat Ousley, Richard Romig	5 Mike Truechan 8:45 Joe Bleier 11 Susan Schellenberg, Kylie Stocker, Jon Terry, Lynn Terry, Joshua Weierbach
<b>Lector</b>	5 Lou Dravec 8:45 Cindy Kemp 11 Ella Baltz	5 Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Cliff Bengston	5 Kathy Gerhard 8:45 Michel Lloyd 11 Kasey Bosco	5 Barb Keener 8:45 Stephanie McGregor 11 Cliff Bengston
<b>Acolyte/ Crucifer</b>	8:45 Matthew Bleier, Shirley Kulp 11 Melissa Harvey, Rosalie Adducie	8:45 Ethan Seixas 11 Sanjay Vaskas	8:45 Jimmy Bleier 11 Joshua Weierbach	8:45 Douglas Bleier 11 Hannah Bosco
<b>Baker</b>	8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Hannah Bosco	8:45 Cindy Kemp 11 Delynn Gerhard	8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Louise Fielding	8:45 Bleier family 11 Barbara Keener
<b>Ushers</b>	8:45 Gerry Cutsler, Tony DeAngelis Jr, Delores Kennedy, Joan Helman 11 Lois Zigmund, Donna Makaravitz, Jean Finn, Helga Rimonneau	8:45 Ed/Pat Little, Mary Bender, Donna Musselman 11 Mike Horwath, George Baltz, Rich Hawk, Cliff Bengston	8:45 Tracy Heberling, Rich Hawk, Tom/Na Sarver 11 Joan Erb, Sandra Butch, Rosalie Adducci, Bette Kovach	8:45 Mary Bender, Bruce Billard, Cindy Kemp, Tony Villani 11 Jen, Olivia Grube, Nancy Kostas, Kaylynn Schoenenberger
<b>Greeters</b>	8:45 Ed/Pat Little, Donna Musselman 11 Mary and Charlie Mann	8:45 Tom/Na Sarver, Sue Swavelly 11 Lisa Mantz	8:45 Mary Bender, Gerry Cutsler 11 Donna Macaravitz	8:45 Tracy Heberling, Joan Helman 11 Helga Rimonneau
<b>Altar Guild (LoC)</b>				
<b>Flower Delivery (LoC)</b>	Cliff and Pat Ousley	Richard Romig, Karen Favinger	Buzz Heidecker, Lorraine Kallamar	Bette Kovach, Cliff Bengston
<b>Sexton (St. P)</b>	Tony DeAngelis Jr.	Ron Frankenfield	Kim Frankenfield	Kenny Young
<b>Flowers (LoC)</b>				
<b>Flowers (St. P)</b>	Joyce Harmony in loving memory of her mother, Marion Stralo Harmony. (red flowers please)	Cindy Kemp and Allan Burghardt in memory of Sharon M. Lance	Mary Bender, Dolly and Ed, Molly and Joe in celebration of Richard Bender's birthday.	
<b>Bulletins (LoC)</b>				
<b>Bulletins (St. P)</b>			Dolly and Ed; Matly and Joe in celebration of Richard and Mary Bender Anniversary.	
<b>Coffee Corner</b>	Elterichs	Kristine and David		James Ritchie

## DECEMBER 2019 WORSHIP LEADERS

Date	Nov 30, Dec 1 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	December 7, 8 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	December 14, 15 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	December 21, 22 Joint Worship St. P. 9:30 AM
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	5PM Rossalie Adducie 8:45 James Ritchie 11 Jelissa Diaz	5PM Rossalie Adducie 8:45 Lynn Rawhouser 11 Susan Schellenberger	5PM Rossalie Adducie 8:45 Joe Bleier 11 Cameron Hasonich	5PM Rossalie Adducie 9:30 Susan DeAngelis
<b>Communion Assistant</b>	5 Shirley Kulp 8:45 Matthew Bleier 11 Catherine Ziel, Cliff Bengston, Kasey, Chris, Hannah Bosco	5 Stacy Gerhard 8:45 Susan DeAngelis 11 Sandra Butch, Jelissa Diaz, Joan Erb, Karen Favinger, Louise Fielding	5 Lou Dravec 8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Delynn Gerhard, Stacy Gerhard, Kylie Stocker, Jernnifer Grube, Olivia Grube	5 Mike Treuchan 9:30 Josh Gulotta, Rich Hawk, Shirley Kulp, Bonnie and Steve Harper, Tom Keener
<b>Lector</b>	5 Tom Keener 8:45 Stephanie McGregor 11 Delynn Gerhard	5 Shirley Kulp 8:45 Lynn Rawhouser 11 Jelissa Diaz	5 Lois Zigmund 8:45 James Ritchie 11 Barbara Keener	5 Lou Dravec 9:30 Tony Villani
<b>Acolyte/Crucifer</b>	8:45 Ethan Seixas 11 Joan Erb	8:45 Quinn Jackus 11 Delynn Gerhard	8:45 Matthew Bleier 11 Melissa Harvey	9 :30 Jimmy Bleier
<b>Baker</b>	8:45 Gina DeAngelis 11 Pat Ousley	8:45 Susan DeAngelis 11 Gene Sharkey	8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Kylie STocker	9:30 Cindy Kemp
<b>Ushers</b>	8:45 Tony DeAngelis Jr, Gerry Cutsler, Delores Kennedy, Joan Helman 11 Bonnie, Steve, Eric Harper, Teryan Gerhard	8:45 Tony Villani, Josh Gulotta, Tracy Heberling, George Kemmerer 11 Charlie Mann, Richard Hasonich, Jack Reichel, Richard Romig	8:45 Ed/Pat Little, Ethan Seixas, Mary Bender 11 Bosco Family, Christ, Kasey, Hannah, Julia	9:30 Tom/Na Sarver, Donna Musselman, Cindy Kemp
<b>Greeters</b>	8:45 Cindy Kemp, Nancy Kostas 11 Kathy Coffin, Judy Innes	8:45 Bev and Fred Kunkle, Stephanie McGregor 11 Kylie Stocker	8:45 Donna Musselman, Sue Swavely 11 Joshua Weierbach	9:30 Ed and Pat Little, Jon Terry
<b>Altar Guild (LoC)</b>				
<b>Flower Delivery (LoC)</b>	Pat and Cliff Ousley	Richard Romig, Karen Favinger	Bosco Family	NA
<b>Sexton (St. P)</b>	Tony DeAngelis Jr.	Ron Frankenfield	Kim Frankenfield	Kenny Young
<b>Flowers (LoC)</b>				
<b>Flowers (St. P)</b>	Estate of Alma E. Hoch-Winkler a/k/a Alma E. Elizabeth Hoch in memory of Annie E. and John Amrhein and Anna E. and Cyrus L. Hoch			Bruce and Sally Billiard in memory of Derek Biliard.
<b>Bulletins (LoC)</b>				
<b>Bulletins (St. P)</b>				
<b>Coffee Corner</b>				