



'Till We Meet Again!

January 25 and 26, 2020

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation Class Revised Schedule: Please note class will be held on January 26 and February 9, 2020 from 6:00-7:00 PM in the LoC Campus Library. Class will not be held as previously scheduled on February 2, 2020 which is Super Bowl Sunday.



GOLF OUTING NEW DATE!



The UPG Frank J. Scheck Memorial Golf Outing at Whitetail Golf Club, 2679 Klein Road, Bath, PA 18014 will be held on Saturday **June 20, 2020**. It is a four person scramble. **Please notice the date change** from

the save the date announcement.

BINGO/BASKET RAFFLE FOR YOUTH

St. John's Windish is hosting a Bingo/Basket Raffle fundraiser for the youth of St. John's, St. Peter's, and Light of Christ on February 15, 2020. Doors open at 12 noon, BINGO begins at 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$20 in advance by calling 610-868-3282 or \$25 at the door.



PANTRY SUNDAY



On February 9, we will be collecting items for Calvary Pantry. Items requested are cereal, canned beef stew, canned pasta, and jam/jelly (plastic only).

THE BETTER BUY THRIFT SHOP (South Side Thrift Shop)

...is located at the Cathedral Church of the Nativity at 321 Wyandotte Street in Bethlehem. The Thrift Shop sells clothing, small household items, decorations, toys and books, all at very reasonable prices – they also provide clothing to people in need. Several UPG members volunteer regularly there. You can help the Thrift Shop by...

- Donating items for the shop to sell (donations accepted during store hours)
- Shopping at the store!
- Volunteering – helpers sort donated items, arrange merchandise for sale and help at the checkout.



For more information including store hours, please call the Thrift Shop at 610-865-0727. And stop in soon!

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

From time to time, a sister or brother in our community of faith needs financial help. The Pastor's Discretionary Fund provides a way for Pastor Jerry to offer help at times like these such as for medical equipment to improve their quality of life, and assistance to help offset costs. To donate, please mark your gift "pastor's fund" and place it in the Sunday offering plate or drop off at either church office.

You can also purchase a grocery store gift card and donate it for members who are in need of food. Cards available on both campuses —please see Kenda Riley at St. Peter's or Michele Weierbach or Karen Favinger at LoC.



THIS WEEK IN THE UPG January 26—February 2, 2019

Sunday January 26

9:30 AM Joint Worship (St. P)
3-6:00 PM PGHI (St. P)
6:00 PM Confirmation Ed.
7:00 PM NA (LoC)

Monday January 27

8:00 AM UPG Men's Breakfast
(Palace Restaurant)
7:00 PM practice Dart Baseball
7:30PM Dart Baseball (St. P)

Tuesday January 28

8:00 AM Staff Meeting (LoC)
8:30-10:30 AM Head Start Parent Mtg
(St. P—Social Rm)
7:00 PM NA (LoC)

Wednesday January 29

6:30 AM Fellowship Study (St. P)
9:00 AM Christian serv. (LoC)
6:30 PM Holden Evening Prayer (St. P)
7:00 PM Choir (St. P)
7:30 PM Choir (LoC)

Thursday January 30

9:00 AM Bible Study (LoC)
6:30 PM Bible Study (LoC)
7:00 PM AA (LoC)
7:30 PM PGHI Worship (St. P)

Friday January 31

6:00 PM LVCCC Worship (St. P)



Saturday February 1

5:00 PM Worship (LoC)
7:30-9:00 PM PGHI (St. P)

Sunday February 2

Groundhog Day

8:45 AM Worship (St. P)
9:30 AM Sunday School (LoC)
11:00 AM Worship (LoC)
3-6:00 PM PGHI (St. P)
6:00 PM Confirmation Ed.

“Just for You!”

Year 1, edition 1 (Jan. 18, 2020)

Welcome to “Just for You!” a ministry which will offer regular reflections on God’s abundant blessings in our lives. “Just for You!” will be emailed to the people of the United Proclamation of the Gospel, will be available in paper at Sunday worship celebrations when available, and will be posted on the newly created “Blog” on the UPG website (www.upgbethlehem.org). We invite you to share your own thoughts and opinions on the varied topics by either emailing the pastor (pastor.jerry.kulp@gmail.com) or joining the community that will form on our website.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

John 3:17



JUST FOR YOU

Greetings and peace to you all!

Welcome to the inaugural edition of “Just for you!”

Recently I heard a rostered leader from another faith community tell the gathered congregation that God created humans to worship God. While my thoughts, education, and personal experiences with God made me feel repulsed by this statement, I quickly realized that the way that I understand God and the world that our Lord created has been formed and shaped by my own unique and personal life experiences. I also realized that when rostered leaders share thoughts about theology in the public sphere that these thoughts can either “build up” people, “tear down people” or try to “keep people” in line. (My hope is that “Just for You!” will offer reflections that will “Build up people.”)

In a relatively short period of time, I came to an answer of my own as to why God created humans and maybe this will be a good topic for a later edition of “Just for You!” Today however, I’d like to share my personal understanding of why Christ came to earth, why Christ endured the trials and sufferings of Holy Week, and why Christ willingly went to the cross in Jerusalem. Again, I would offer that this is my own personal understanding.

I believe that Christ came to earth, “Just for You!”

I believe that Christ came to earth, in order that you would know how much our God loves You!

I believe that Christ came to earth in order that You would be promised a life accompanied by God!

I believe that all Christ taught in His public min-

istry and all Christ shared in His mortal life was designed to share with You and all of humanity, that each one of us is loved, each one of us is worthy, each one of us is adored by God.

When we make mistakes, even when those mistakes are intentional, I believe Christ came for You!

When we fall victim to other people’s poor use of free will, I believe Christ came for You, to share with you that you are not alone in your sufferings or trials.

When we feel alone or isolated, I believe Christ came for You, to share remind us that we are never truly alone or isolated in this world.

I believe that when we gather around God’s Word and worship in community, that we have the unique opportunity and ability to bear witness to the truth that Christ came for You. We have the opportunity together to see “glimpses” of how God desires we will live in the world.

So, this and all future editions of “Just for You!” will be shared to the glory of God in thanksgiving that God, incarnate in Christ, came to this world “Just for You!”

My hope is that these offerings will uplift “You” in your faith. My hope is that these offerings will provide you thoughts to “stretch” our understandings of God.

My hope is that these offerings will encourage “You” to share your own thoughts and understandings of God with the rest of us.

May our God, Who came “Just for You!” walk with us all on this new holy journey!

Peace for now!

PJ

FEBRUARY 2020 WORSHIP MINISTERS

Date	February 1, 2 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	February 8, 9 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM	February 15, 16 Shared Worship LoC 9:30 AM	February 22, 23 St. P. 8:45 AM LoC 11:00 AM
Assisting Minister	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Michel Lloyd 11 Jelissa Diaz	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Donna Musselman 11 Rosalie Adducie	5PM Rosalie Adducie 9:30 Tony Villani	5PM Rosalie Adducie 8:45 Lynn Rawhouser 11 Camryn Hasonich
Communion Assistant	5PM Mike Truchan 8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Mike Horwath, Sandy Horwath, Nancy Kostas, Mary Mann, Hannah Nolan	5PM Ron Dalla Piazza 8:45 Josh Gulotta 11 Pat Ousley, Richard Romig, Helga Rimonneau, Susan Schellenberg, Kylie Stocker	5PM Shirley Kulp 9:30 Josh Gulotta, Evan Hawk, Jon Terry, Lynn Terry, Catherine Ziel	5PM Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Cindy Kemp 11 Kasey, Chris, Hannah Bosco, Sandra Butch, Jelissa Diaz
Lector	5PM Shirley Kulp 8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Pat Ousley	5PM Lou Dravec 8:45 Josh Gulotta 11 Susan Schellenberg	5PM Lois Zigmund 9:30 Cindy Kemp 11 Lynn Terry	5PM Delynn Gerhard 8:45 Evan Hawk 11 Catherine Ziel
Acolyte/ Crucifer	8:45 Ethan Seixas 11 Melissa Harvey	8:45 Douglas Bleier 11 Kylie Stocker	9:30 Sanjay Vaskas	8:45 Shirley Kulp 11 Joshua Weierbach
Baker	8:45 Elizabeth Elterich 11 Gene Sharkey	8:45 Cindy Kemp 11 Kylie Stocker	9:30 Shirley Kulp	8:45 Gina DeAngelis 11 Julia Bosco
Ushers	8:45 Tony DeAngelis Jr, Gerry Cutsler, Dolores Kennedy, Joan Helman 11 Bosco Family	8:45 Tracy Heberling, Tom and Na Sarver, Mary Bender 11 Lois Zigmund, Jean Finn, Helga Rimonneau, Donna Mackaravitz	9:30 Mike Horwath, George Baltz, Rich Hawk, Cliff Bengston	8:45 Glenn Breidenbach, Rich Hawk, Evan Hawk, Donna Musselman 11 Joan Erb, Sandra Butch, Rosalie Adducie, Bette Kovach
Greeters	8:45 Bev/Fred Kunkle, Ed/Pat Little 11 Joan Erb	8:45 Donna Musselman, Sue Swavely 11 Jelissa Diaz	9:30 Tom/Na Sarver, Dolores Kennedy 11 Karen Favinger	8:45 Mary Bender, Gerry Cutsler 11 Jean Finn
Altar Guild (LoC)				
Flower Delivery	Karen Favinger, Buzz Heidecker	Lorraine Kalamar, Bette Kovach	Cliff/Pat Ousley, Jack Reichel	Kasey Bosco, Richard Romig
Sexton	Tony DeAngelis Jr.	Ron Frankenfield	Kim Frankenfield	Kenny Young
Saturday night pianist				
Flowers (LoC)				
Flowers (St. P)				Given by Donna Musselman in celebration of our (Ed and Donna) 47th anniversary. White Rose given by Susan Wirth in memory of Edwin H. Wirth.
Bulletins (LoC)				
Bulletins (St. P)				
Coffee Corner				