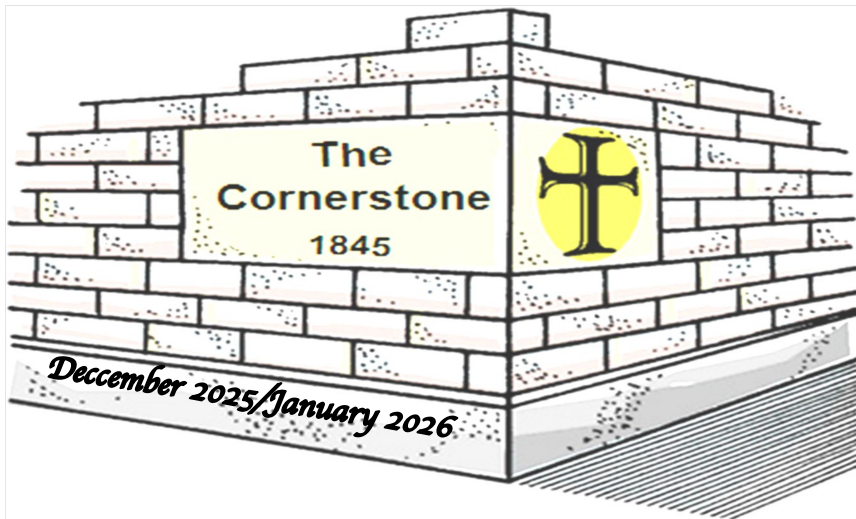




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CANDIDATE FOR PASTOR OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH ANNOUNCED

The Search Committee has selected Joshua Nemeth as a candidate for Pastor of St. Peter's. Joshua is a dedicated and compassionate pastor with over six years of pastoral leadership experience. A letter detailing his credentials has been sent out to the members of the church. We ask that you read that letter carefully.

Everyone is invited to a **MEET AND GREET** on *Friday, December 12th* from 6 to 8 PM in the church fellowship hall where you will have an opportunity to meet with Pastor Joshua and his family, ask questions, and share in fellowship and some light refreshments.

A **TRIAL SERMON AND CONGREGATIONAL VOTE** will be held on *Sunday, December 14th* at the 9 AM worship service. Following that service there will be a congregational vote to call Pastor Joshua Nemeth as our next Pastor.

Your presence and prayerful participation are requested as we seek God's guidance as we decide upon calling Joshua as our next Pastor. We encourage every member to be at both events.

These events were called by the Search Committee and the Board of St. Peter's.

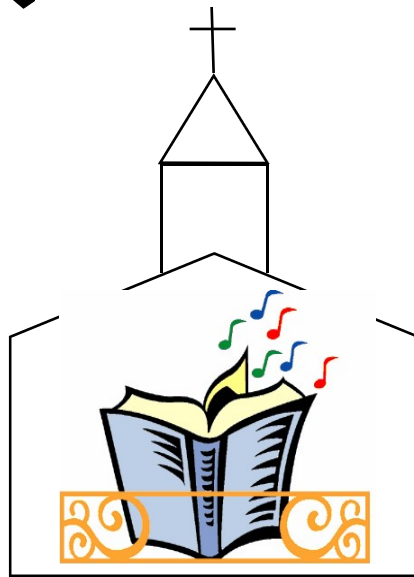
HOME COMMUNION TO BE OFFERED IN DECEMBER

The Pastor will be offering the Sacrament of Home Communion to our sick and shut-in members during the month of December. If you would like to receive the Sacrament please contact either Pastor Cliff or the church office.

2025 Covenant Forms Mailing

The 2025 Covenant Forms are scheduled to be mailed this week. As 2025 comes to an end, we ask those who are members to fill out and sign as a solemn promise between your self, your Savior and the church. We ask those who are friends of our church to confirm your relationship with us. Please return the forms by *December 31st* either on a Sunday or through the mail. These forms make sure that our membership roles are up-to-date. Thank you!

St. Peter's Church West Penn



where worship and service don't stop with the final hymn.

St. Peter's Church Mission Statement

"St. Peter's Church is committed to providing a family atmosphere for people of all ages. We are a people who sincerely care about each other and the community. We strive to be one people, bonded by Christ's love. We look to the future for the continued vitality that we share today. Through worship, preaching, fellowship, and servanthood, may we reach out to all people as a witness to the living God."

Cliff's Notes

In thinking about Christmas and the birth of Jesus, I visualize the scene of Mary and Joseph standing around a manger with a donkey and a few other animals in the background. While it is night, there is a soft glow that illuminates the Holy couple and AN infant in a straw-filled crib. It seems so peaceful, so serene. They are secluded, hidden from the rest of the world.

Contrast this with what was going on in the rest of the city of Bethlehem. Hundreds of people have arrived to be counted during that census ordered by Caesar Augustus. Depending on the time of Jesus' birth, it is very possible that the streets were crowded with people seeking a place to eat or sleep. It would be comparable to the modern day craziness of the mall a few days before Christmas.

Perhaps the birth of Christ back then is not so much different than today. Our world is filled with the hustle and bustle of people everywhere. While they did not have traffic jams back then, can you image the scene as the throng of people crowd the narrow Bethlehem streets trying to purchase something from the street vendors? Add to that the chaos of babies crying and people rushing to get to where they needed to go and it would not be much different than Christmas today.

Yet whether it is Bethlehem of 6 BC or the local mall in 2025, amidst the hurriedness of so many, we rarely pay attention to the quiet places, where children are born or where others are quietly doing their jobs. Yet where does the Presence of God appear --- in huge cathedrals or in a quiet, dirty stable? In the center of a supermarket or shopping mall or in a field where shepherds are watching their sheep?

The Beauty and profound Message of Christmas is not in the bright lights, loud music, or a busy marketplace. The Presence of God is announced quietly to those who are not caught up in the holiday fervor but in a time of quietness... a time of seeking, searching, or praying....a time of faithfully tending to what is important.

Where do you find God revealing His Presence in our life? I think that God shows up when we least expect Him and with a message that doesn't always fit our narratives of what Christmas should be like. I invite you to encounter the Almighty in the glow of candlelight, in the music of the angels, in the quiet gathering of family and friends. This happens not just on Christmas Eve in worship, but He also appears when we are open to seeing, to hearing, and to knowing the Presence of One who is greater than yourself. This Christmas I invite you to seek the Presence of God in the distant places, the quiet places, in the places where you can hear that voice that says, "Come to me all you who are burdened and busy and wracked with anxiety and fear, and I will give you rest and peace."

May each of you be blessed with the Presence of Christ this season of birth and renewal.

Pastor Cliff

**The deadline for the February issue of
the "Cornerstone" is Tuesday, January 13th.**

FREE HANDBELL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Please join us for a free Concert and refreshments at Ben Salem UCC on ***Sunday, December 7th at 2:00 pm*** at 1965 Church Hill Road.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

WHEN CHRISTMAS IS NOT ALWAYS FILLED WITH JOY

A Blue Christmas service is one that is more somber in mood and tone. It is a smaller service that is for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one or the sadness of changing circumstances in life. You are invited to our Blue Christmas service that will be held in our sanctuary on Sunday afternoon, ***December 14 at 2:00 PM***. This will be a time where you can cry or grieve that this Christmas will not be like one you had hoped for. This service is open to members, friends and anyone who struggles in finding joy at Christmas.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

All are invited to share in the celebration of the Good News of the birth of Jesus Christ. Join us in worship as we sing those familiar and beloved Christmas carols, share in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, pause in the glow of candlelight, and know the blessing again that Christ was born to reconcile us to God and to each other. Invite your friends and neighbors to worship with us on Christmas Eve, ***December 24 at either 2:00 PM or 7:00 PM*** in our sanctuary.

2026 FLOWER/BULLETIN CHART

Please note that the 2026 chart will be posted on the bulletin board in the narthex in December. Make sure you have the Sundays you want by filling in the date(s) now. Altar flower Sponsors: \$30.00 per altar arrangement, Piano Bowl: \$30.00 and \$30.00 for an extra arrangement placed on the organ. Contact Laverne Hunsicker or the Church Office to reserve your Sunday date. Bulletins can also be sponsored for \$15.00.



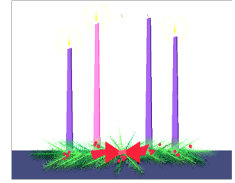
Offering Envelopes



2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available in the church parlor in December. And, if you can, while you're getting yours maybe you could deliver envelopes to those who might not be able to pick them up themselves ~ this helps us to keep down mailing costs. Thank you!

Observing Advent

Advent — the first season of the liturgical year — includes the four Sundays and weeks prior to December 25th. Advent dates from the fourth century, when it lasted 40 days and included fasting and solemnity, much like Lent.



Advent is from *Adventus*, Latin for “coming,” referring to Jesus’ birth in Bethlehem and also his second coming. The traditional colors of Advent are purple for penitence or blue for hope.

Observing Advent is a meaningful, adventurous way to prepare for Christmas. Buy or make an Advent wreath and use candles of your choice: four blue, four purple, or three blue or purple and one pink. If you have a fifth spot, add one white Christ candle. During meals or devotions, light only one candle the first week. Add another for each new week (the pink candle traditionally marks the third week), concluding with the white candle (if you have one) on Christmas. The increasing light reminds us we’re getting closer to celebrating Christ’s light coming into the world.

I Asked God About These Gifts for Christmas:

I asked God to take away my pride, and God said no. God said it was not for him to take away, but for me to give up.

I asked God to make my handicapped child whole, and God said, "No, her spirit is already whole. Her body is only temporary."

I asked God to grant me patience, and God said no. God said that patience is the byproduct of tribulation. It isn't granted; it's earned.

I asked God to give me happiness; God said no. God said he gives blessings; happiness is up to me.

I asked God to spare me pain, and God said no. God said I must grow on my own, but he will prune me in order to make me fruitful.

I asked God if he loved me, and God said yes. God gave me Jesus who died for me, and I will be in heaven some day because I believe.

I asked God to help me love others as much as he loves me, and God said, "Ahhh, finally! Now you have the idea."

(From a Christmas card cited by Vic Pentz)



Advent and Christmas Service Schedule

Everyone is welcome ~ bring a friend or two!

Advent Services

We begin the season of Advent and the beginning of the new liturgical year began on Sunday, November 30th and will continue through the next three Sundays in December (7th, 14th and 21st) as we prepare for the coming of Christ into our hearts and into our world.

Blue Christmas Service

Sunday, December 14th

2:00 p.m. Service

It will be a time for remembrance, for lighting a candle, for grieving our loved ones, and for remembering the Promise of Christmas. This service is open to everyone.



Christmas Eve Services

Wednesday, December 24th

2:00 p.m. Service

Share in the delight as we capture the wonder of Christmas as we join in the candle lighting ceremony and celebrate Holy Communion in the pews.



7:00 p.m. Service

Share in the delight of music joyfully made by our Choirs. Capture the wonder of Christmas as we join in the candle lighting ceremony and celebrate Holy Communion in the pews.

There will NOT be a 10:30 p.m. service.

Thank you to Jackie McCandless for a 'job, well done' as our Financial Secretary for the past five years. We again welcome Sharon Main to that position which she previously served for many years. Welcome back!



Retirees

Retirees will meet on **December 10th at 9:30 am** in Fellowship Hall. There will be food, fun, fellowship, and games. Please contact Sharon Herring if you are interested in participating so she can plan for the meals. If you would like to assist in any way, please let her know. She can be reached at (570) 386-3202. If she doesn't answer, please leave a message and she will return your call.

The Retirees are open to anyone, age is not a factor. They meet the second Wednesday of every month and always welcome new members.

SIX LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANINGS

- 1) Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is *FAITH*.
- 2) When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is *TRUST*.
- 3) Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but we still set the alarms to wake up. That is *HOPE*.
- 4) We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is *CONFIDENCE*.
- 5) We see the world suffering, but still, we get married and have children. That is *LOVE*.
- 6) On an old man's shirt was written: "I am not 80 years old, I am Sweet 16 with 64 years of experience." That is *ATTITUDE*.

Have happy days and live your life like these six stories, and remember to:
'Sing like no one is listening, Love like you've never been hurt.
Dance like nobody's watching, and live like it's heaven on earth.'



CHRISTMAS

— WORD SEARCH —



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Answers can be found somewhere in the newsletter ~ have fun!

ST. PETER'S | FUNDRAISING FOR BUILDING EXPENSES

The current account balance is **\$77,000.00**

- *The Burger and Baskets fund raiser in September was a huge success. Thanks to everyone who donated, volunteered, and attended.*
- *The October apple dumplings were delicious. 2,134 apple dumplings were sold. The hard work put forth by all the volunteers is amazing.*

The Kitchen Krew will be on a much needed break in December. We will let you all know when we are back in business. And thank you not only for the wonderful hard working volunteers, but also to all that helped support us by buying our food. And, a BIG thank you to all our volunteers...without their help we could not do what we are doing.

We are truly blessed!

And as always, thank you for your support!

"Heating season" has arrived!

Because St. Peter's is home for many activities, groups, clubs, and events, we hope you would consider making a contribution, in addition to your regular offering, to help us defray the cost of heating fuel and electricity.

Elevator maintenance envelopes are available on the table in the church parlor. We hope you can also give this some consideration. Please use the enclosed envelope to help defray the cost of our energy bill, or BETTER yet, bring the envelope with you when you worship with us on Sunday.

Thank you for your contribution and we hope to see you in church!

St Peter's Church Board



PLEASE NOTE:

The church's financial books will be closed as of December 31, 2025.

Any cash or checks received after that date will be included in the 2026 financial records.

Sunday School ~ Every Sunday

Communion Sundays

Children dismissed for Sunday School after the Children's Blessing

Joyous Noise Offering Sundays (2nd Sunday of the month)

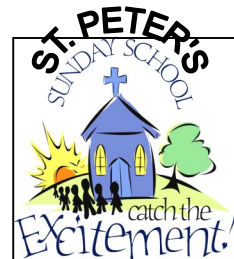
Children dismissed for Sunday School after the Joyous Noise Offering

All Other Sundays

Children dismissed for Sunday School after Children's Time

Adult Sunday School: 10:15 AM

(unless otherwise noted)



Upcoming Sunday School Events:

Sunday, January 4th

Sunday School Christmas Program during worship .

We have great teachers and are grateful for their volunteer time. Please bring your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, etc. and join the fun on Sundays.

Catch the excitement and join a Sunday School Class today. We have classes for all ages. Teachers and helpers are also always welcome. Anyone willing to be part of this great educational experience should see Samantha Kistler or Josh Hunsicker. Just remember, you can't ask "What would Jesus do?" until you know "What Jesus did and said!"

The children of St. Peter's Sunday School will present their Program *on Sunday, January 4th during our worship service* Please plan to attend and support the youth of our Church.

Looking forward to seeing you!



In case of inclement weather, please listen to WMGH/WLSH Radio Station, watch TV Channel 13 or Channel 69 for any change in the time or cancellation of St. Peter's Church worship schedule.

THANK YOU!

A big THANK YOU to all who helped to have a successful pork & sauerkraut dinner and bake sale this year. Without all the donations for the meal and bake sale and volunteers donating their time to help before, during and after the dinner, we would not be able to do this every year.

This year we served 233 people and the profit total was \$3,452.00 for the dinner, and \$454.00 for the bake sale! Sunday sales totaled \$122.00.

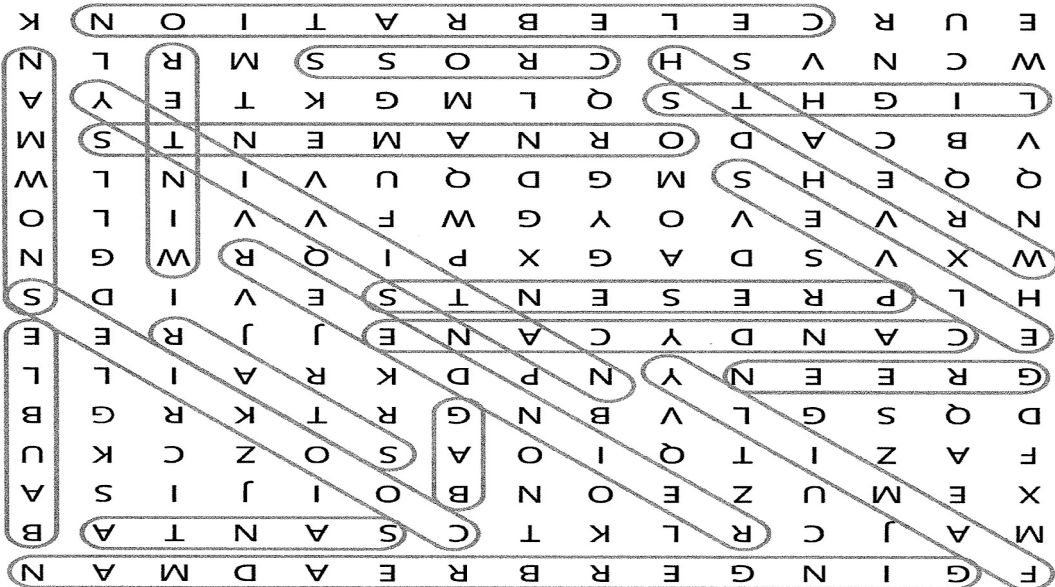
Hope to see you next year!

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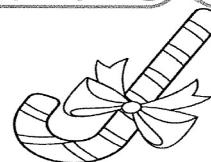
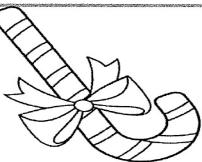
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WORD LIST



WORD SEARCH

CHRISTMAS



W. A. S. P. News



The next event sponsored by WASP is the Family Christmas Party scheduled on ***Sunday, December 7th*** at 12 Noon in the fellowship hall. The WASP women will have their 'Secret Santa' gift exchange and a visit from Santa. Bring a covered dish to share and place settings for your family. Meat and beverages will be provided. A sign-up sheet is in the church parlor.

WASP usually meets in the fellowship hall the third Tuesday of every month unless a special event is planned. All women are invited to join them.

BOOK RECOMMENDATION

Several people have asked about the book Pastor Cliff had referred to on All-Saints Sunday. The book is entitled, "After" by Bruce Greyson M.D. The book is about Dr. Greyson's interviews with people who have had near-death experiences and what they reveal about life after death.

A Silver Lining

Burned your turkey to a crisp? Don't despair!
Craig Boldman and Pete Matthews, authors of *Every Excuse in the Book* (Mjf Books), offer reasons to be thankful for a blackened bird:

- You'll get a good upper-body workout from carving the bird...
- No one will get food poisoning from undercooked poultry...
 - You can move straight to dessert...
- You won't have to deal with weeks of leftovers...
 - Pets won't pester you for scraps...
- It was time to test your smoke alarm anyway...



GIRL SCOUTS COLLECTING PLASTIC

Please make sure the plastic and bags are clean and dry and free from food residue. There is a collection box in the church parlor.

FUNDRAISER FOR PEDIATRIC DIABETES

Gage Bishop is collecting recyclables (plastic drink bottles and aluminum cans). Anyone with a large amount of cans, can call Marsha Estep to arrange a pick up at 570-778-8082

*A Winter's portrait, so bountiful,
Nature's gift indeed...*

*Though lurking are the lifeless flowers
Returned to earth as seed.*

*All sacred gifts sent unto us
Are made by God's own hands -
And always, they are precious ones*

To love just as He plans!

*While lilies in the valley rest,
And clad are crystal trees...*

*A lifeless day revives the soul
Through snowflakes on a breeze.*

These heavenly troves to come our way,

So beautiful, big or small...

*Will touch our lives through each new day -
God's gifts... they're best of all!*

Dianne Cogar

Congregational Meeting



CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

A Congregational Meeting will be held on **Sunday, December 7th** after worship for the purpose of nominating and electing 2026 Church Board members and confirming the 2026 benevolence amount. Our Annual Congregational Meeting has been tentatively set for **Sunday, February 1st** following worship services for the purpose of accepting the 2025 Annual Report and adopting the 2026 budget. All committee and organizational reports are due in the office **by Sunday, January 18th**. Please plan on attending these important meetings.



Winter Wishes

By: Barbara Nametko

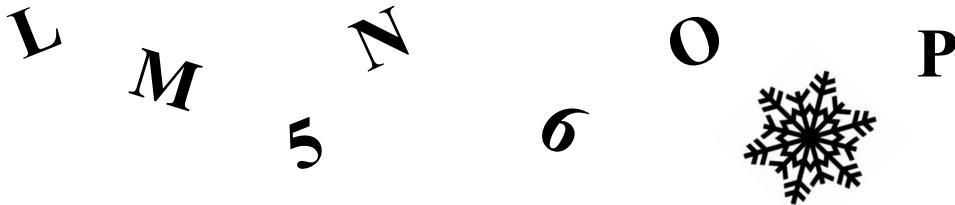


Winter is quickly approaching, and preschool is extremely excited! December and January will be very busy with lots of Christmas and winter fun! Our focus letters will be L, M, N, O & P. We will also be talking about the colors, red, green, blue, and white. The shapes and numbers we will be talking about are stars, rectangles, and the numbers 5 and 6.

You will hear lots of singing coming from the preschool room in the next few weeks, as we get ready for our Christmas program! We love to sing and dance and cannot wait to show off what we learned! After we sing for our families, we will enjoy having a special lunch with them!

Snowflakes and some cute crafts will be covering our door and walls. Don't forget to stop by our room and see preschool masterpieces!

Preschool wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Thank you for your continued support!



Say a Prayer for:

Recent

Loved Ones of
Doris Clark
Grace Fogel
Lisa Moyer
Elfriede
Dale
Dave Whyte & Family
Sherry Goerner
Belle Ryan
Anna Sommers
Barry Reinert
Ava Miller
Russell Snyder
Dennis Oriel
Margarita Santnadeleon
Sandy Clemson
Lynn Long
Harry & Janie Connor

Ongoing

Austin Klein
Beth Pravozino
Betty Breiner
Bonnie Miller
Brad Steigerwalt
Bruce Miller
Carolyn Lantz
Clyde
Cody Wolfgang
Darlene Kunkel
Darryl Moyer
Debbie Mooney
DeRue Kistler
Donald Hank Williams
Erin Coombe

Erlin Moyer
Gregory Slivka
Judy Gerber
Kay Faust
Kenneth Breiner
Kenny Oliver
Leon Kunkel
Linda Garber
Loretta Beers
Maggie Wehr
Mark Wolfe
Marsha Rodgers
Mary Lou & Jim Walk
Mary Lou McGowan
Nadine
Parker Brode
Paul David
Renee Troutman
Ricky Everett
Rita Yarmell
Robbie Trainer
Sharon Horning
Sue Hower
Teresa Fowler
Terry Abrachinsky
Wayne Lazarus

Those on our Visitation List

Buddy Arner, Jr.
Hazel Arner
Edith Coombe
Robert Coombe
Olga Faust
Barbara Kershner
Larry Miller
Doris Wolfe

Our Missionaries:

Michael, Kay, Mikayla,
Leilani, & Michael
Killar
Maude, Valera, Zarina,
Alexander, & Nicolas
Motovilov



Our Military Overseas:

Deployed to USS Harry Truman: Austin Resch

Deployed to Japan: John McGuire

Deployed to Germany: Joyce Steigerwalt

Our Military Active Not Deployed:

Mark Habel

Dustin Hoppes

LeRoy E. Kromer II

Timothy Kromer

Ezekiel Kuneck

Sean Kurtz

Antonio Lorenzo

Dominic Lorenzo

Amanda Miller

Tyler Resch

Alexis Scott

Trevor Schilling

Andy Snyder

Ryan Snyder

Alexander Thomas

Chad Wehr

Mark West

Scott West

Michael Zeigenfuss

Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.
(Jeremiah 29:12)

If you know of someone to be added or removed from the Prayer List, please contact Pastor, Chris Miller or the church office.



Our sympathies go to the family of

Doris Clark

who passed into eternal life on

Thursday, November 6, 2025

Please remember this family in your prayers.

Psalm 95:1-2 *Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.*

Daily Lectionary Readings for December 2025

Monday, December 01, 2025: Psalm 124; Genesis 8:1-19; Romans 6:1-11;
Tuesday, December 02, 2025: Psalm 124; Genesis 9:1-17; Hebrews 11:32-40;
Wednesday, December 03, 2025: Psalm 124; Isaiah 54:1-10; Matthew 24:23-35;
Thursday, December 04, 2025: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Isaiah 4:2-6; Acts 1:12-17, 21-26;
Friday, December 05, 2025: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Isaiah 30:19-26; Acts 13:16-25;
Saturday, December 06, 2025: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Isaiah 40:1-11; John 1:19-28;
Sunday, December 07, 2025: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12
Monday, December 08, 2025: Psalm 21; Isaiah 24:1-16a; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12;
Tuesday, December 09, 2025: Psalm 21; Isaiah 41:14-20; Romans 15:14-21;
Wednesday, December 10, 2025: Psalm 21; Genesis 15:1-18; Matthew 12:33-37;
Thursday, December 11, 2025: Psalm 146:5-10; Ruth 1:6-18; 2 Peter 3:1-10;
Friday, December 12, 2025: Psalm 146:5-10; Ruth 4:13-17; 2 Peter 3:11-18;
Saturday, December 13, 2025: Psalm 146:5-10; 1 Samuel 2:1-8; Luke 3:1-18;
Sunday, December 14, 2025: Luke 1:46b-55; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11
Monday, December 15, 2025: Psalm 42; Isaiah 29:17-24; Acts 5:12-16;
Tuesday, December 16, 2025: Psalm 42; Ezekiel 47:1-12; Jude 1:17-25;
Wednesday, December 17, 2025: Psalm 42; Zechariah 8:1-17; Matthew 8:14-17, 28-34;
Thursday, December 18, 2025: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 2 Samuel 7:1-17; Galatians 3:23-29;
Friday, December 19, 2025: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 2 Samuel 7:18-22; Galatians 4:1-7;
Saturday, December 20, 2025: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 2 Samuel 7:23-29; John 3:31-36;
Sunday, December 21, 2025: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25
Monday, December 22, 2025: Luke 1:46b-55; Isaiah 33:17-22; Revelation 22:6-7, 18-20;
Tuesday, December 23, 2025: Luke 1:46b-55; 2 Samuel 7:18, 23-29; Galatians 3:6-14;
Wednesday, December 24, 2025: Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)
Thursday, December 25, 2025: Psalm 97; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:(1-7), 8-20
Thursday, December 25, 2025: Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12); John 1:1-14
Friday, December 26, 2025: Psalm 148; Wisdom 4:7-15; Acts 7:59-8:8;
Saturday, December 27, 2025: Psalm 148; Proverbs 8:22-31; 1 John 5:1-12;
Sunday, December 28, 2025: Psalm 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23
Monday, December 29, 2025: Psalm 20; Jeremiah 31:15-22; Luke 19:41-44;
Tuesday, December 30, 2025: Psalm 20; Isaiah 26:1-9; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18;
Wednesday, December 31, 2025: Psalm 20; 1 Kings 3:5-14; John 8:12-19;



*Blessed are those who read and hear the Word of God
and keep it.*

Daily Lectionary Readings for January 2026

Thursday, January 01, 2026: Psalm 8; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:15-21
Friday, January 02, 2026: Psalm 20; Genesis 12:1-7; Hebrews 11:1-12;
Saturday, January 03, 2026: Psalm 72; Genesis 28:10-22; Hebrews 11:13-22;
Sunday, January 04, 2026: Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:10-18
Monday, January 05, 2026: Psalm 72; Joshua 1:1-9; Hebrews 11:32-12:2;
Tuesday, January 06, 2026: Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12
Wednesday, January 07, 2026: Psalm 72; 1 Kings 10:1-13; Ephesians 3:14-21;
Thursday, January 08, 2026: Psalm 29; 1 Samuel 3:1-9; Acts 9:1-9;
Friday, January 09, 2026: Psalm 29; 1 Samuel 3:10-4:1a; Acts 9:10-19a;
Saturday, January 10, 2026: Psalm 29; 1 Samuel 7:3-17; Acts 9:19b-31;
Sunday, January 11, 2026: Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17
Monday, January 12, 2026: Psalm 89:5-37; Genesis 35:1-15; Acts 10:44-48;
Tuesday, January 13, 2026: Psalm 89:5-37; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Acts 8:4-13;
Wednesday, January 14, 2026: Psalm 89:5-37; Isaiah 51:1-16; Matthew 12:15-21;
Thursday, January 15, 2026: Psalm 40:1-11; Isaiah 22:15-25; Galatians 1:6-12;
Friday, January 16, 2026: Psalm 40:1-11; Genesis 27:30-38; Acts 1:1-5;
Saturday, January 17, 2026: Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Kings 19:19-21; Luke 5:1-11;
Sunday, January 18, 2026: Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42
Monday, January 19, 2026: Psalm 40:6-17; Exodus 12:1-13, 21-28; Acts 8:26-40;
Tuesday, January 20, 2026: Psalm 40:6-17; Isaiah 53:1-12; Hebrews 10:1-4;
Wednesday, January 21, 2026: Psalm 40:6-17; Isaiah 48:12-21; Matthew 9:14-17;
Thursday, January 22, 2026: Psalm 27:1-6; 1 Samuel 1:1-20; Galatians 1:11-24;
Friday, January 23, 2026: Psalm 27:1-6; 1 Samuel 9:27-10:8; Galatians 2:1-10;
Saturday, January 24, 2026: Psalm 27:1-6; 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Luke 5:27-32;
Sunday, January 25, 2026: Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23
Monday, January 26, 2026: Psalm 27:7-14; Judges 6:11-24; Ephesians 5:6-14;
Tuesday, January 27, 2026: Psalm 27:7-14; Judges 7:12-22; Philippians 2:12-18;
Wednesday, January 28, 2026: Psalm 27:7-14; Genesis 49:1-2, 8-13, 21-26; Luke 1:67-79;
Thursday, January 29, 2026: Psalm 15; Deuteronomy 16:18-20; 1 Peter 3:8-12;
Friday, January 30, 2026: Psalm 15; Deuteronomy 24:17-25:4; 1 Timothy 5:17-24;
Saturday, January 31, 2026: Psalm 15; Micah 3:1-4; John 13:31-35;

***Search not for me in the Scriptures, instead, search within yourself.
When you are lost I will come to you, for I'm the Shepherd who guides the
lost.*** ~ adapted from a poem by John Paul K

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