COLEMANVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"To Love Others as God Loves Us"

Rev. Manuel P. Cruz, Pastor Ellen Peifer, Hymn Leader Jill Kelley, Pianist

1st Sunday of Advent

The 8:40 a.m. service order is as follows:

Meditation Ringing of the Bell Sarah Rankin **Announcements** Prelude Bringing in the Light of Christ +Choral Introit "Sanctuary" **Pastor Manny** Welcome Advent Lighting Reading Collins Family **Opening Prayer Pastor Manny** +Hvmn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" p.196 The Passing of the Peace Special Music "He Has Made Me Glad" Choir Hymn "There's Something About That Name" p.171 Morning Prayer: **Pastor Manny Pastoral Prayer** Lord's Prayer Scripture Reading Joshua 2:1-21 & Matthew 1:1-5 Sarah Rankin "Making Room for HOPE" Pastor Manny Message +Offering: Doxology Pastor Manny Prayer +Closing Hymn "My Hope is Built" p.368 Pastor Manny +Benediction +Choral Blessing "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" (vs 1) p.569 +Follow the Light of Christ +Postlude

(+) Stand or remain seated if it helps you to worship better.

"Our Worship Together Has Ended/The Service Begins"

Offering plates are in the rear of the sanctuary to receive our gifts, tithes, and offerings.

Scripture for next week: Mark 1:1-8

To ensure Pastor Manny can best minister to our community, please inform him of any needs for prayer, visitation, counseling, or recognition. He can be reached at 1(908)590-3288. Pastor Manny is available in the office on Tuesdays. If you'd like to schedule a meeting, a call beforehand will help ensure he's available to connect with you. He can also be reached by email at manpcruz@yahoo.com.

Mission and Ministry

There are gift tags and a sign-up sheet in the narthex to help Penn Manor families in need of help this holiday season. Please select a gender and age range you would like to shop for and write your name on the line next to the corresponding number of the tag. Gifts are to be between \$30 and \$40. Do not wrap the gifts. All gifts are due by December 7th. If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Jean Garrett (717)284-3606.

December 3rd 6:30 pm – Advent Soup & Bread Meditation - Gathering 1 at Colemanville UMC. If attending, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

December 7th 3 pm – Advent Vesper Service at Boehm's Chapel

December 8th – Following the UWF Meeting, they will be having a Christmas party with pizza. Any woman who would like to attend is welcome. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex by the 7th.

December 17th 6:30 pm— Advent Soup & Bread Meditation - Gathering 2 at Boehm's UMC. If attending, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex

December 24th 7 pm – Christmas Eve & Candlelight Service at CUMC

December 24th 10 pm - Christmas Eve & Candlelight Service at BUMC

Prayer Chain - If you or someone you know would like to be added to the prayer chain, please call the church office at (717) 872-7951 on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays. Or Pat Collins (717)575-1852 on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and weekends. If you cannot reach us, please contact Dave Topper at (717) 984-7600.

Sunday School – Today, the adult Sunday School class begins an Advent study, "A Different Kind of Christmas". All are welcome to attend to 'Experience the Joy of Living and Giving Like Jesus'.

Prayer cards are available in the Narthex. If you want someone included, please contact the office at 717-872-7951.

Monthly Community Meal

You MUST reserve meals by the deadline date by calling the church office (717)872-7951

Take Outs (Shut-ins Only) - 4:30-5:00 p.m.

Dine in 5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

December 10th – Meatloaf Deadline – December 7th Join us for card making following the meal.

January 1^{st,} 12 pm – Good Luck Dinner (Pork & Sauerkraut)- Please make your reservations by signing up on the sheet in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call the church office at (717)872-7951.

The Penny Jar is located on the table in the Narthex. Funds collected through **December** will go to **The Loft**.

Widow/Widowers Luncheon – There will be no more luncheons until sometime in the spring. We will let you know when we have more information.

Scripture readers – Please see Jill Kelley to sign up for scripture/announcement reader, greeter, or communion helper in upcoming worship services. Thank you

Meetings

 $\textbf{December 2}^{\text{nd}} \ \ 6:30 \ \text{pm} - \text{Church Council Meeting}$

December 8th 11 am – UWF Meeting followed by Christmas party

December 9th 6:30 pm - Finance Meeting

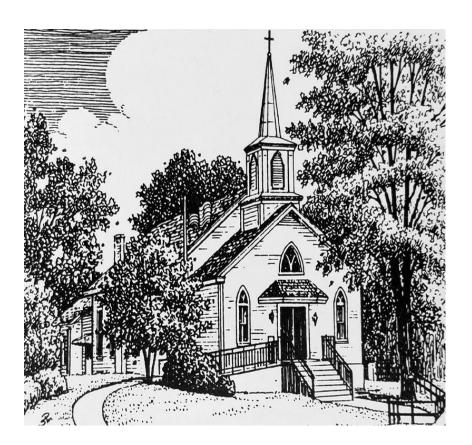
January 6th 4 pm - Outreach Meeting

Community

Conestoga Food Bank – Items needed: Spaghetti Sauce/Pasta Sauce, Canned fruit (ie. apple sauce, pears, peaches), canned creamed soup, canned hearty soup (ie. beef stew), white rice, flavored potatoes (ie. boxed scalloped potatoes), Stove Top Stuffing, Instant Pancake Mix, canned meat (ie. chicken, tuna, ham), canned pasta (ie. Ravioli), Canned Chili with no beans, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Chicken Helper, Pop Tarts, Instant Oatmeal, pudding. Please, no expired items, they cannot be accepted.

Colemanville United Methodist Church

210 Colemanville Church Rd Conestoga, PA 17516 November 30, 2025



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Reader 3: As we light this candle, we declare that hope still shines. (Light the first candle.)

All: Come, Lord Jesus, our Hope

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