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November 30, 2025 1st Sunday of Advent



HOPE

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(Please be sure to be seated by 9:55am, so as not to disrupt our special advent service elements)

WELCOME

LIGHTING OF 1ST ADVENT CANDLE The Peters Family

CALL TO WORSHIP

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" UMH #196

THE MEANING OF "Hanging of the Greens"

HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" UMH #154

"All My Hope"

HANGING OF THE GREENS

MAKING MINISTRY HAPPEN "Prayer For Our Church"

GIVING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS "Emmauel"

HYMN "O Come O come Emmanuel"

BENEDICTION "What Child Is This?"



"ANNOUNCEMENT"

Our Church Conference has been rescheduled:

Sunday, December 14th immediately following worship service In the Sanctuary. All MUMC members of the congregations are welcome to attend.

Bulletins are sponsored this week in memory of

Ernest & Maria Preston by The Preston Family

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS:

Mary Groshans, Brother in law of Cinda Whistler, Chris Fine, Helen Lehner, Clint Healy, Sherry Healy, Warren Garmon, Sue Billman, Rachel (LeeAnn Grove's friend) Kaylee & Joel Laison (Carolyn Bloom's granddaughter & Husband), Bob Midgette, Mike Ohler, Sandi Lehman, Jo Ella Lawton, Amanda Kammer (Linda Eckenrode's niece), Grace Wetzel (Linda Kimmel's sister)

LONG TERM ILLNESS:

Barb Elting, Gaylea Kelly, Dick & Esther Ocker, Michael Alexander (Bellish's son), Todd Eckenrode, Harry Schulz, John McAllen (Asonia Wolf's son), Alesha Holsinger (Linda Kimmel's friend), John Edwards (Andy & Mary Groshans), Asonia Wolf, Vera Egolf, Jackie Weary, Ed Hair, Stewart Lamma, Anne Stanford, Charles Sherman, Josiah Claire (Becky Smith), The Matrese Family, Steven Hair, Freddy Rodriguez (Deb Kraft), Wanda McDermond, Chris Fine

Grief:

Family of Rachel Shaw (friends of the Groshans)

OUR WORLD MISSIONS:

Mountains of Hope, Furcy, Haiti; Gideons.

THOSE DEPLOYED IN MILITARY SERVICE:

Samantha Orner (Air Force), Jadyn Barrett (Navy), Alex Myers (Army), Gerad Calaman (Air Force), Dylan Kupp (Navy), Justyn Padua, Brandon Padua, Dustin Jeardoe (Marine), Erin Driver (Army), John Durnin II (Marine).

NURSING HOMES:

Let's remember our shut-in MUMC family this year by sending them notes, letters or visiting them. Addresses are provided below.

Jane Sunday- Church Of God Home: 801 N Hanover St, Carlisle, PA 17013

Liz Rusnak—Allen's Cove: 25 Cove Rd., Duncannon, PA 17020

Susquehanna Conference of the UMC November 30 - December 6, 2025

Eatonville UMC, Tunkhannock Fort Loudon UMC, Fort Loudon Kedron UMC, Hughesville West Hill UMC, Carlisle Dale UMC, Woodland



To our faithful and humble servants.

It takes many hands to prepare and lead worship services each week, and we are so very grateful for each one of you!

SERVING THIS WEEK

Ministry Leaders / Support Staff

Acting Facilities Director -George Bellish Assisting Pastor- John Zimmerman

Custodian -Jenn Lopiano

Director of Children's Ministries

-Carol Lawton

Director of Connections- Linda Kimmel Finance Administrator -Amy Hershey Office Administrator- Shari Bellish

Pastor -Deb Dailey

Preschool Director- Aimee Peele

Preschool Teacher's Aide -Amanda Otto Worship Leader -Dave Billman

SERVING INIS WEEK

organist/pianist Linda Kimmel
Praise Band: Dave Billman

d: Dave Billman Seth Lawton

Elizabeth Peters

Tech Team
Hospitality Greeter

Joe O' Donnel Carolyn Bloom

Bulletin greeter

Deb Shipley

Ushers:

Gathering/Downstairs

Glenn Kimmel

Pastor/Sanctuary

Ed Shipley

Lector Becky Smith



A Special Christmas Collection

As we remember the birth of the Christ child this Advent season, let us also take time to reflect on God's many blessings at MUMC and in our own lives. We have been blessed to have Pastor Deb, and our devoted church staff to minister to all of our congregational needs.

The Church Council will be collecting a free will Christmas gift for Pastor Deb and the church staff, to

show our appreciation for all that they do.

There are three ways to give this year:

- 1) you may drop your gift in the special offering basket before or after the 10:00am service
- 2) you may send us your gift in the mail or
- you may drop your gift off at the church office Monday through Thursday 9:00am to 3:00pm.

Gifts may be made using cash or check. If you choose to write a check, please make it payable to MUMC and write "Staff Christmas Gift" in the memo line. Please <u>do not</u> put these gifts in with your offering envelope. Please place all gifts in a plain white envelope marked "Staff Gift" on the outside.

Collection Sundays will be **December 7th and 14th** and all gifts must be received (either in the mail or in person) no later than **December 18th**, so that they can be presented to Pastor Deb, and the church staff during Christmas week.