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## *The Season of Epiphany*

### “Who Are You?” Worship Series

This year we will discover that “who we are” is indelibly linked to “Whose we are.” What amazing things could happen if you lived into your best, most passionate, loving self? The series starts January 5, 2014.



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[www.apostlesucc.org](http://www.apostlesucc.org)



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With each New Year, we take time to reflect on our past and re-imagine what our future may hold. For 2014, our worship design team invites you to consider the question, "Who are you?" Through our worship and scriptural study, we will explore our many God-given gifts as we think the "who we are" is directly related to "whose we are."

So many of us can become obsessed with our short-comings and forget that we were created by God to be God's children. Over the centuries, the church has been quick to remind us of our faults and mark them as deficiencies instead of reasons to grow. What if we were to learn something through our faults that may lead us toward greater understanding of God and our roles on earth?

Identifying our gifts is not always easy; however, naming the gifts of others is often much more comfortable for us. With that in mind, we hope to provide opportunities for us to encourage one another as we seek to affirm each other's gifts. The beauty of being a community in Christ is that we are to care for one another and affirm each other as we care for the larger community and world.

So come to "Follow Your Star" and "Connect with Your Belovedness" in worship, even if it sounds too difficult. Imagine what may happen if you live into your best, most passionate, loving self. Let's use the nine weeks in the season of Epiphany to explore what transformations are possible when we rely on God's love and grace.

Blessings & peace,

*Pastor Kuhn*

**Pastor Kuhn's  
number is  
717-471-3001**



## Giving Report for November 2013

At the end of November COA had operating revenues of \$433,560.52 and expenses of \$449,240.53 for a negative cash flow of (\$15,560.01).

Direct deposit giving year to date is \$54,852.49.

Envelope and direct deposit income year to date is \$367,301.47 which is less than the \$389,861.10 collected at the same time last year.

Operating expenses are \$85,923.36 below the same period last year.

Thank you for your gifts to COA.  
Stewardship Commission

## Council Minutes

November 18, 2013

**Attendance:** Julie Berkow, Gary Brown, George Alspach, Karen Culp, Andy Smith, Tom Lewis, Jane McCartney, Judy Waltman, Chuck Erisman, Pastor Kuhn, Lisa Christoffel, Cindy Williams, Cathie Oliphant, Clara Kosmela, Andy Appel, Cathy Kenlin, Erika Neiderer

**Guests:** Don Culp

**Excused:** Steve Daniels, Randy Sweigart,

**Devotions:** Pastor Kuhn shared a "Qualities of a Church Leader" paper from her clergy group. She thought it would be appropriate to look at since we will be choosing new leaders soon. She asked us to reflect on it and led us in prayer.

**Minutes:** George/ Clara moved the October minutes be approved. Passed.

**Treasurer's report:** As of October 31, 2013, expenses exceeded revenues by \$12,000. With a season of giving coming we hope to have a breakeven year.

**Executive:** Filling the Member's Services position has been the focus. A candidate with bookkeeping and financial skills has been chosen. They would like to offer her the job on Wednesday and have her start December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

George/Karen made motion to approve the hiring of this individual. Unanimous.

Asked for council's approval to release Danny

Morgan from the sound booth. A replacement has been found. A younger candidate majoring in Broadcasting, he has the potential to really expand the scope of the job. Andy/Karen made motion to hire this new candidate. Unanimous.

**New Business:**

Policy changes: A motion to approve the changes to the Policy and Procedures manual (Andy Appel/Andy Smith) passed unanimously.

**Old Business:**

2014 Pledge Report

Spiritual Council removed 15 people from the membership roles. 550 is our new membership number.

89 pledge cards totaling \$238,347 in pledges have been received so far.

**Promotional Plan:**

One of the candidates we interviewed for the Member Services position has skills in marketing and promotion. Executive is exploring using her in a "project" capacity to help with the promotional plan. If we hired her for this project, there needs to be a small committee that would lead this initiative establishing a budget, goals, and plan of action. Gary asked council if there were any objections to continue exploring this possibility. None were voiced.

Signage: George is going to explore the option of digital signage.

**Commission Reports/Pastor Report**

**Julie:** Shared that 2500 post cards will be sent out publicizing our Nativity in the Park service and Christmas Eve services. Especially with the prospect of having visitors, she encouraged all to continue our efforts of extravagant hospitality.

**Andy Appel-** There will be a meeting 11/21 for all interested in traveling to Honduras.

**Erika-** Encouraged us to please sign up for Advent workshop.

**Pastor Kuhn-** Lauren Bowers from the Penn Central Office is coordinating an initiative called the Joel Project; "Joining Others Energizing Lancaster." It will be offered the first Sunday of every other month from 2-5pm. Topics will include learning about your neighbors, outreach, vitality, etc. The hope is to bring churches together to help each other while promoting spiritual and numerical growth. There is no cost and it begins January 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Judy:** A teacher is needed in the kindergarten/1<sup>st</sup> grade class. She shared that a friend of hers

who attended the bazaar appreciated the "stress" information received in her welcome bag.

**Jane:** All of the tags for the backpacks and supplies have been taken. They will be assembled at the Advent workshop.

**George:** Emphasized the importance of having 100 people for a quorum to vote on the bylaw amendments on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Gary:** Property continues to work on the roof project and is getting ready to plant more memorial trees.

**Pastor Kuhn closed with prayer.**

Adjourned 8:10 pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Julie Berkow  
Council Secretary



## Congregational Meeting

During our Congregational meeting on December 8th all five amendments to our bylaws passed by more than a 2/3 majority. Most of them received more than 100 yes votes.

Thank you for your participation.

Gary Brown



## Website Photo Gallery

As we seek to interest more people in ministry with us, we wish to create a photo gallery on our website to highlight the many events, programs and people involved at Church of the Apostles. In order for this to be helpful, we need the assistance of those who take photos. It will be helpful if your submissions are in a timely manner so as to be in chronological order on the website. Please submit photos for our photo gallery through Diane Rogers in the office. Photos should be submitted electronically and preferably by email to [dianer@apostlesucc.org](mailto:dianer@apostlesucc.org).

# Worship

## Postcard Ministry

Please take 1 or 2 postcards from our Welcome Center and send one to someone to let them know that you are thinking about them, you miss them, you send them "Get Well" wishes or you wish them a "Happy Birthday".



The postage stamp is already on the card so you can take it with you and drop it in the nearest mailbox or you can put it in the offering plate and it will be mailed for you.

This is one of the several ways we can reach out to those members who cannot be with us in worship and/or to those members who just need to know someone cares.

# Parish Life

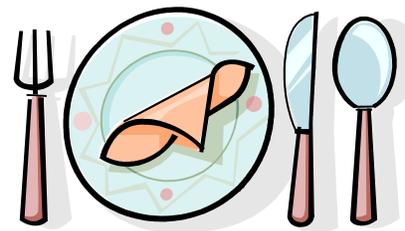
**Christmas in the Country Bazaar**  
Co-Chairpersons: **Ellen Schellenberger and Eileen Thomas**

After most of the receipts and bills have been turned in for expenses after the November Bazaar, the net amount earned is: \$13,140.62.

A meeting with all of the COA food and craft vendors will be held in early January 2014. Representatives will be contacted about the meeting. Again, a huge thanks to all of you who helped make the Bazaar a success.

## Book Club This Winter

On January 14, 2014, the featured book will be *Sweetest Hallelujah* by Elaine Hussey. Settle in with a good book this winter.



## Dining Around

**Dining Around** has been a favorite for those who have participated for a number of years at Church of the Apostles. A new season approaches, new groups are to be organized and hopefully many will be interested in enjoying the company of church members and friends. It is a goal to have groups of no more than eight persons, church members, friends, couples and singles to share in socializing by meeting for dinner, brunch or any other creative occasions with each participating with the planning. We anticipate having one group from January to June and another with different members July to December, meeting as much as the members wish. Consider this format a part of developing our relationships with each other and those we do not know. There are no limits, each group is to do as it wishes. To participate, call the church office (392-5718) or the Schwanhaussers (392-4002) with your name. Or fill out form below.

I / We wish to participate in Dining Around for January to June.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please place in the offering plate or into the church office.

## New Beginnings January 9 in Fellowship Hall

We will start with a dessert social at 1:00 pm. The Rev. Milt Gockley will lead us in a "Show and Tell for Seniors". Here are some examples you might share: a prized possession of yours, an unusual experience you've had, or maybe a personal encounter with a VIP. Come join the fun!

## Advent Workshop Huge Success

Advent workshop is a family celebration of the Advent season which was held this year on 12/1/2013. The activities included crafts and dinner together. We supported the Honduras ministry with packing of school supplies into backpacks for the 60 children who will be attending the new school. Apostles Preschool assisted us with this service project. Members signed and decorated cards for fellow members who are not able to attend church regularly. Attendees donated mittens and gloves to match the scarves that were created from fleece. The scarves and mittens were taken to a local elementary school by Kate Kendig for distribution to needy children. Children created handprint Christmas balls to decorate their trees at home and calendars to count the days until Christmas. The highlight of the evening was the creation of gingerbread churches. It was amazing to watch the children and adults alike sitting quietly and creating beautiful churches with stained glass windows, crosses, and trees. Thank you to everyone who attended and everyone who donated supplies to create a wonderful celebration of the Advent season. The committee plans to make the gingerbread churches an annual event at the Advent Workshop.



## Homestead Village At 25

*Homestead Village at 25*, written by Bill Mehler, explains how Church of the Apostles came into being. All members should know this story. Pick up a copy from the book-sharing rack in the narthex. Look at all the names in the index who were involved.

## Winter is Here! Snow Closings

Church closings and event cancellations are posted on the home page under Upcoming Events. They are also posted on WGAL channel 8, WHTM ABC27, WHP CBS21, and TheCW15.

Generally, if the Hempfield school district is closed, the church office is closed.

Now you can receive text messages sent directly to your cell phone when the church has a closing or delay.



CBS21  
Visit <http://www.local21news.com/mobile/features/mobile/> to sign up today!

WGAL  
Visit <http://www.wgal.com/weather/closings#mid=17428267> and look for "Closings & Alerts".

## New Staff Members

Stop by the church office and meet Judy Ruppert. She is our new Finance and Member Services person. Judy is also the one to see regarding scheduling rooms for events and meetings.

On Sunday mornings you might have noticed a new person in the sound booth. That is Anthony Strohm who is the Technology Specialist.

Please make both Judy and Anthony feel welcome.

### Crown Deadline

**The next Crown  
deadline is  
January 15**

# Outreach

## Mission To The Homeless Offering January 19, 2014

In a recent sermon, Pastor Kuhn asked us to think about how others **feel** in certain situations. I have spent much of today thinking about how it would **feel** to be homeless. How **cold** I would feel. How **sad** I would feel. How **lonely** and **hopeless** I would feel. How **hungry** I would feel. How **worthless** I would feel.

There will be a special offering envelope in your envelope box for the **homeless** on **January 19<sup>th</sup>**. In 2013 you generously gave \$1,800.00 for the homeless in our community. That money was split among three organizations who service the homeless in Lancaster County. \$600.00 was distributed to the Transitional Living Center, Water Street Ministries, and the Winter Shelter. All of these ministries work very hard to assist the homeless men, women, and children in our area. Hopefully, our generosity will help to make a difference in the lives of the homeless and make them feel less sad, less lonely, less hungry, less cold, and less hopeless. So, please, think about how it would feel to be homeless when you give generously to the homeless on January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Thank you! The Outreach Commission

## Valentine Day Project

Let's remember and treat our young men and women who are away at college or serving in the military with a goody box for **Valentine's Day**. These young people



will greatly appreciate a surprise treat from us. If you would like to participate in this fun Outreach project, please take a Heart from the display board in the Narthex. The Heart will have the young person's name and address on it. Then load a small box with goodies and mail it to the person before February 14<sup>th</sup>. If you are a parent of a student away in the military or in college,

please notify either the office with the information or you can call me at 392-4844. Thank you!  
Jane McCartney – Outreach Commission

## Wishing Well

Wow! Many thanks to all of you, generous and caring people, for making the Holiday mission project a HUGE success! We, together with the Preschool families, were able to provide 56 Honduran students and three teachers with backpacks stuffed with school supplies. The backpacks were filled at the Advent Workshop on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. They were carefully packed into large shipping boxes and began their journey to Honduras several days later. This was a wonderful way to spread Holiday cheer to another part of the world! I know that the Honduran children will be very happy to receive these backpacks and this was all made possible by your generous giving! Thank you!



Our next project in the Wishing Well will be to collect supplies for the annual **Day of Smiles**, which is held each year on February 6<sup>th</sup>, in memory of Erin and Max Nusbaum who loved to spread smiles to those in

need. We will be collecting supplies for Milagro and Clare Houses, Mom's House, Brereton Manor, and the Humane League. All of these sites need our help and our generosity. You will find specific items listed on Smiley papers on two display boards, one above the Wishing Well and one on the Outreach bulletin board in the Narthex. **Please** consider donating to this wonderful **Day of Smiles** by taking a Smiley paper and purchasing that item. All donations need to be in the Wishing Well by Sunday Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you! Any questions? Please see Jane McCartney (the Wishing Well lady)

## Apostles Grocery Cards ?

Yes, those grocery cards are able to reach out and help people. And you make that happen! The 5 percent that the Outreach Commission makes is spent in a variety of ways. Food for the Saturday breakfast is purchased and a big



contribution was given to our church Assistance Fund. Crispus Attucks and the winter shelter of the Lancaster Council of Churches have benefitted, along with other efforts. We had

one new person volunteer to help distribute the cards. Thank you, Lorraine.

We still need someone for the 5th Sunday (which only happens 4 times a year) and as a substitute. It only takes 10-15 minutes after church and training is provided. That will take less than five minutes! Please think about pitching in.

# Education

## Have You Noticed?

Eileen Thomas

Have you noticed the growing number of children during Pastor Kathy's "Let the Children Come" lessons in the first service? Have you noticed visitors with children in our congregation? The size of our Children's Choir is increasing. The numbers in our Children's Sunday School classes are rising. Those observations are being noticed by many. These are new and welcomed additions to our Church of the Apostles family. Something is bringing them through our doors.

In the spring our present Confirmation Class will become members of our church. It is our responsibility to steer their energy and enthusiasm in a direction to broaden their faith. We have younger families with even younger children who will be growing in their faith. They will need to be challenged to spread God's word, do God's work and follow in the steps of Jesus.

At Church of the Apostles we have been asking ourselves, "How can we become apostles?" Give some thought and prayer to what our children (big and small) need in their faith as we grow. How can we as a congregation work

together? Can we trust our faith and prayer to work and help each of us become better apostles? Can we help others, especially our children? In the past we have had confirmation classes that wanted a Youth Program but no leader. This year will be the same situation unless we can find a volunteer within our midst.

Is there someone in our congregation who would be interested in volunteering to facilitate the Children's Ministry Team that works with the Children's Sunday school teachers? Would there be a person who could arrange mission trips/ activities with our youth? Is there someone in our congregation who could orchestrate teamwork, creativity and a sense of growing Christians, and be interest in working with our children and youth?

It is time to think about our growing numbers of children and youth. They are hungry for the Word of God. They would love to learn how they can become even better children than they are. They have energy, their parents have invested in our church, we have promised through each child's baptism to help nurture each child to love Jesus and serve God.

Who out there is willing to help our congregation grow? What gifts are you willing to share? We have told the story to the children about Jesus speaking with the fisherman by the Sea of Galilee. He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." (Matt. 4:19) We are challenged every day to follow Jesus. How can we help our children learn to follow Jesus in very practical ways as we go through our modern life?

Please pray about our children and their futures at COA. Talk with other members about your gifts and our needs. God will be listening. We have a loving God.

Members of the Education Commission would like to listen to your thoughts and suggestions.

## Apostles Preschool Registration

Registration is now open for children of church members to enroll in the school year beginning in September 2014. Half-day classes for one to five mornings a week are available for children ages 2-

5. Church members receive a tuition discount. Registration opens to the public in January, so please call now to ensure placement for September. Please call Linda Lewis at the Preschool office number of 392-5598 for more information.

## Apostles Community Preschool

December was all about Christmas! We decked the halls and sang out our hearts and most importantly learned about the reason for the season – JESUS! The children put on a spectacular Christmas Program this year! As always the children were so cute and innocent that Jesus' love just flowed through them – even when a couple children had stage fright! You couldn't help but smile and be lifted. Thank you to Mrs. Megan May for all her hard work and dedication as the organizing teacher for such a fabulous production! We look forward to a wonderful Christmas Holiday Break and returning in 2014 with Pajama Day fun and excitement!

## An Apostles Community Preschool Invitation to FREE Financial Planning Seminar for College!

Do you have young children? Do you hope that one day they will attend a college, university or vocational school? Then perhaps you would like to join the ACP's parents and take advantage of a FREE Financial Planning Seminar informing parents on ways to save for your children's future and how to lower the debt load of further education. Sequinox, a financial planning company, will be providing this FREE seminar on **January 22, 2014 at 9:00am and again at 6:00pm**. Representatives plan to show parents options on how to offset the rising costs and effectively save and prepare for further



educational expenses. The presentation will run approximately an hour and refreshments will be provided. Please let Julia Connolly, ACP's director, know if you plan on attending. You can let her know either via email at [JConnolly.ACP@gmail.org](mailto:JConnolly.ACP@gmail.org) or by calling the preschool at (717) 392-5598. We hope that you are able to attend!



*Thank You!*

Dear COA Family,  
Thank you very much for the beautiful flowers, phone calls, and prayers. Our family from Pennsylvania all the way to Florida appreciate your kindness. Sincerely, The Breslin Family

A big thank you to the coordinators and participants of the Advent Workshop. All the scarves and gloves are helping to make many children warm this winter. M.L. King Elementary School thanks you!

Kate Kendig

Thank you for all the help you all have given my family.

Lillian Minnick

I would like to thank the congregation for the lovely flowers and thoughts after my rotator cuff surgery. All went well with the surgery and my recovery is progressing nicely. Thank you for your support.

Holly Kleimo

Thanks to all of you for participating in our Community Thanksgiving Service this past Tuesday. That was a very special evening together. What a joy to be God's family through faith in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior.

We received \$459.45 in the offering. This will be split between the Hempfield Area Food Bank and the Church of the Apostles Food Bank.

Living by His Grace,  
Galen

We wanted to wish you a Merry Christmas from the four of us. Please know that we have not forgotten about COA, and we plan to attend as soon as we are able to do so. At which time we plan to join the church and hope to have the girls' baptism as soon as their medical condition allows. We hope you have a joyous Advent and Christmas season.

Sincerely,  
Mic & Laura Bender

Fellow Church Members,  
Thank You for the lovely bouquet on my 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. Also Thank You for taking care of my finances , when I don't attend regular.

Ella Mae Hershey

Dear Church Family,  
On behalf of Claude & Jean Morrison, thank you for the love and support you have shown them over the past challenging year. The altar flowers brightened mother's room and the prayers, visits, cards and notes are greatly appreciated. Best Wishes to you for a happy 2014.

Randy & Luane Morrison

We want to thank Rev. Kathy Kuhn for her visits to Paul while in the hospital, and all friends and members of our church for the flowers and prayers.

Paul & Alice

Dear Sisters,  
Thank you for your card and the wooden cross. It is always nice to be remembered. I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and the very best wishes for the new year. I'm enjoying my new home and I can now go to the in-house weekly worship service. I miss seeing all of my friends at the Church of the Apostles and wish you all the very best.

Love Kitty Nestle

Thank You for your support to the Mix at Arbor

Place during the month of November. Your generosity is greatly appreciated, your support makes it possible for us to share the Gospel to youth and their families in Southeast Lancaster City.

Shannon Windle,  
Office Manager

To the Congregation,  
Thank you for my beautiful yellow rose on my 93rd birthday and the lovely altar flowers while my dear Peter was ill. Thank you to all who sent cards on Peter's passing, Pastor Kuhn's visits while Peter was in ICU, and her spiritual love and concern for our family at hard times for all of us.

Marjorie Schellenberger

Dear Julie,  
We thank you very much for the donation of \$600.00, we received on November 18, 2013. Please know we take very seriously our responsibility in being good stewards of your generosity. You are what enables us to keep our doors open to those who at this time in their lives find themselves in less than ideal living conditions.

Whether it is helping support our GED program, providing veterans with opportunities for further job training, assisting our citizens returning from incarceration in establishing their recovery plan or just seeing families and their children breathe easier because they know they are safe for the night, please know that you play a vital role in all we do. Together may we continue to work toward the goal of ending homelessness in our community.

Warmest regards  
Doug Hopwood  
Program Director, TLC/VVH

*Thank You!*

# January Events

## **January 1 Wednesday**

New Year's Day

Office Closed

## **January 2 Thursday**

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

## **January 3 Friday**

8:30 a.m. Bulletin Preparation

## **January 4 Saturday**

8:00 am Downtown Breakfast  
Ministry-First United

## **January 5 Sunday**

9:00 pm Nursery Care

9:15 am Worship

9:15 am Exploring Faith

9:15 am Bible Class

9:30 am Children's Sunday  
School

10:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Check

10:15 am Children's Library

10:45 am Worship

2:00 p.m. Worship at Homestead

## **January 6 Monday**

Noon Food Bank

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

7:00 pm Ministry Planning Comm.

## **January 7 Tuesday**

9:30 am Staff Meeting

## **January 8 Wednesday**

9:15 am Bible Study

3:30 pm Stephen Ministry

5:00 pm Choir Parents Dinner

5:45 pm Cherub Choir

6:10 pm Chapel Choir

6:40 pm Carol Choir

7:00 pm Education Commission

## **January 9 Thursday**

1:00 pm New Beginnings

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

7:00 pm 10:45 Choir Rehearsal

## **January 10 Friday**

8:30 a.m. Bulletin Preparation

## **January 11 Saturday**

## **January 12 Sunday**

9:00 am Nursery Care

9:15 am Worship

9:15 am Exploring Faith

9:15 am Bible Class

9:30 am Children's Sunday  
School

10:15 am Children's Library

10:45 am Worship

## **January 13 Monday**

Noon Food Bank

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

7:00 pm Commissions: OR, PL,  
PR, WR

## **January 14 Tuesday**

2:00 pm Book Club

7:30 pm Apostles Bells Rehearsal

## **January 15 Wednesday**

9:15 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Choir Parents Dinner

5:45 pm Cherub Choir

6:10 pm Chapel Choir

6:40 pm Carol Choir

## **January 16 Thursday**

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

7:00 pm 10:45 Choir Rehearsal

## **January 17 Friday**

8:30 a.m. Bulletin Preparation

5:00 pm OWL Retreat

## **January 18 Saturday**

5:00 pm OWL Retreat

## **January 19 Sunday**

9:00 am Nursery Care

9:15 am Worship

9:15 am Exploring Faith

9:15 am Bible Class

9:30 am Children's Sunday  
School

10:15 am Children's Library

10:45 am Worship

6:30 pm Confirmation Class

## **January 20 Monday**

### **Martin Luther King Day**

Office Closed

7:30 am Meditation Monday

7:00 pm Council Meeting

## **January 21 Tuesday**

7:30 pm Apostles Bells Rehearsal

## **January 22 Wednesday**

9:15 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Choir Parents Dinner

5:45 pm Cherub Choir

6:10 pm Chapel Choir

6:40 pm Carol Choir

## **January 23 Thursday**

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

7:00 pm 10:45 Choir Rehearsal

## **January 24 Friday**

8:30 a.m. Bulletin Preparation

## **January 26 Sunday**

9:00 am Nursery Care

9:15 am Worship

9:15 am Exploring Faith

9:15 am Bible Class

9:30 am Children's Sunday  
School

10:15 am Children's Library

10:45 am Worship

## **January 27 Monday**

Noon Food Bank

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

## **January 28 Tuesday**

7:30 pm Apostles Bells Rehearsal

## **January 29 Wednesday**

5:00 pm Choir Parents Dinner

5:45 pm Cherub Choir

6:10 pm Chapel Choir

6:40 pm Carol Choir

## **January 30 Thursday**

3:15 pm Men's Basketball

7:00 pm 10:45 Choir Rehearsal

## **January 31 Friday**

8:30 a.m. Bulletin Preparation



# Altar Flowers



Our altar flowers are an integral part of our worship service. Not only providing a physical symbol of beauty during our worship, after the service they are given as a symbol of love and caring to a member of our community who is unable to be with us physically. The cost of our flowers and bulletins averages about \$140.00 a week. Our suggested contribution for sponsoring flowers and bulletins is \$35.00; however, any amount is welcomed and appreciated.

If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate or send it into the office. A thank you letter will be sent following your sponsorship with directions for sending in your donation. Thank you for your support in this important ministry.

Worship Commission

I would like to sponsor altar flowers on the following date:

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“In honor of” or “In memory of”

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Your name

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Phone number

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If you have any questions please contact: Dawn Dougherty (892-0350) or Bonnie Jolly (872-4053)

## January Altar Flowers

January 5: In Loving Memory of:

- ◆ Candy Cunningham by her family.

January 12: In Loving Memory of:

- ◆ Ralph Gamber by his wife Luella.
- ◆ Our daughter, Deanna by her parents, Don & Dorothy Freeman.
- ◆ Frederick S. Wilson, M.D. by his wife, Ruth Wilson.

January 19: In Loving Memory of:

- ◆ Janet Rader by her family.

January 26: In Loving Memory of:

- ◆ Candy Cunningham by her family.

## Condolences for the families of:

Nancy Horton  
Florence Hullihen



# CHURCH OF THE APOSTLES PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a need or concern for yourself or others, please call or email any person on the Prayer Chain and your request will be sent through all the links of the chain and the power of prayer will be a blessing to you and yours.

## Link 1:

Betty Holmes 203-1118 or bettyholms@aol.com  
Steve/Monica Daniels 299-6007 or monicadaniels54@gmail.com  
Lynn Steedle 390-4152 or ccsteedle@gmail.com  
Jim/Bonnie Jolly 872-4053 or jbjolly@comcast.net

## Link 2:

Harriet Latschar 859-1535  
Mary Ellen Bachman 393-8922 or maryellenbach717@gmail.com

## Link 3:

Annette Rohloff 394-0424 or rextomas@comcast.net  
Bev Keller 898-2146 or bek0914@aol.com  
Cindy Williams 572-3808 or cynthiabarrywilliams@gmail.com  
Mike/Nancy Steger 617-2635 or stegs4u@hotmail.com  
Susan Shaak 872-2987

## Link 4:

Kit Gregory 299-6677 or kitpaul@comcast.net  
Jean Heidig 394-8733 or geojean6@gmail.com  
Donna Carr 397-6305 or ddcarr@lancastergeneral.org



## Food Bank

Please plan to continue your generous donations to the food bank.

### Food Bank Needs:

Cereal	Peanut Butter
Canned Fruit	Brown Grocery Bags
Hamburger Helper	Tuna Helper
Macaroni and Cheese	Tuna



## Donations

**Thank you stamp savers.  
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# January Birthdays

Date	Name
1	Dale Bischoff
	Richard Cunningham
	Susan Vollmar
3	Cathie Oliphant
	Herb Forry
4	Daniel Thoman
5	Sarah Daniels
6	Gail Stump
	Mark Irwin
	Ashley Walburn
7	<b>Mary Ella Kneeder*</b>
	Chris Braun
8	Bernice Ochs
10	Charles Arms
	Arlene Gaudioso
12	Dorothea Greenawalt
	Christine Gifford
13	Almore Robb
14	Mildred Chapman
15	Jeffrey Harelson
16	Donald Koontz
17	Nancy Fitzkee
	Vincent Kuhn
18	<b>Betty Shellenberger*</b>
	Allan Bischoff
	Bambi Price
20	<b>Beatrice Boyd*</b>
21	Karen Keller
22	Jennifer Eyrich
24	Paul Rye
	Andree Goldman
25	Colleen Gockley
26	Nancy Geiger
27	<b>G. Wayne Glick*</b>
29	Lois Millhouse
30	Lauren Erisman
31	Chuck Erisman
	Andy Smith

*Wedding*

Michael Leser & Kirsten Kepple-Wilfong  
were married December 7, 2013.



# Anniversaries

Name	Date
<b>Charles &amp; Mary Alice Diller**</b>	<b>1/10/1942</b>
<b>John &amp; Nancy Payne**</b>	<b>1/17/1959</b>
Robert & Christine Gifford	1/12/1972
Michael & Beth Buckwalter	1/31/1981
Stephen & Donna Lockey	1/19/1985
William & Susan Vollmar	1/30/1993

\* 90+ Birthdays

\*\* 50+ Anniversaries

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