

Meetings and Events

December 24-30

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11 a.m.	Worship
	7:30 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service
	11:15 p.m.	Christmas Eve Service
Monday		church office closed

Dec 31-Jan 6

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11 a.m.	Worship
Monday		church office closed
Friday	6 p.m.	Crafts Night
Saturday	10 a.m.	Unhanging of the Greens

Greeters – John and Jeanne Ruccio

Liturgist – Roger VanRyn

Nursery – Eileen Bentley and Sandy Chiappetta

Altar Flowers – The flowers on the altar are presented by the Johnston children in memory of Chuck and Ouina Johnston.

Announcements

Our Daily Bread – Copies of the large print edition for January-February-March are available at the information center. Pick up your free copy today!

Altar Flower Calendar – The 2018 month-by-month calendar is in the binder in the vestibule. Prices remain the same (\$20 for the two altar vases and \$15 for the table arrangement).

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 24, 2017

Justin Judy, pastor

Prayer Focus – For those lacking hope

Theme – What we celebrate tomorrow is not just about what happened in history long ago. It marks the longing for the promise to be fulfilled when Jesus should come again.

Welcome/Announcements

Preparation for Worship

(Meditate; pray silently)

Choral Introit *Emmanuel*

Tom Long/Allen Pote

Call to Worship

L: God has done great things for us.

P: Glory to God in the highest!

L: God is doing great things for us.

P: Glory to God in the highest!

L: God will do great things for us.

P: Glory to God in the highest!

♦ Hymn #240 *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

♦ Prayer

Anthem *Can You Hear the Christmas Bells?*

Joel Raney

Joys, Concerns, and Prayers

#895 The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as

we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Giving God our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *What Child Is This*

♦ Doxology/Offering God our Praise

#95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

♦ Prayer of Dedication of our Offerings

♦ Ritual of Fellowship

(Offer one another signs of Christ's peace and God's love)

♦ Hymn #229

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Children's Sermon/Lighting of the Advent Wreath: Candles of Hope, Love, Joy and Peace

Scripture

Luke 21:25-28

Message

Hope for Tomorrow

♦ Hymn #245

The First Noel

♦ Benediction

♦ Chorus #251

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain, that Jesus Christ is born.

Postlude

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

♦ *Rise in body or in spirit*

Announcements (cont'd)

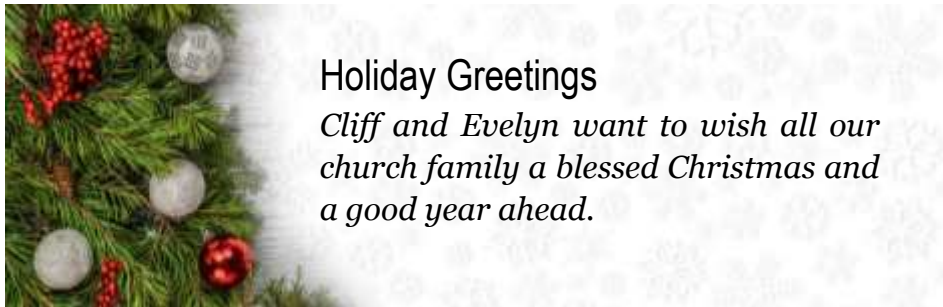
Day of Prayer – To kick off the New Year, we begin 2018 with 24 hours of prayer. Sign up today to pray for one hour between 12 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. on January 1. The sign-up sheet and optional prayer guide are in the vestibule.

Immersion Bible Study – The sessions resume on Wednesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. starting on January 10. If you would like to join, see Linda Yocum for the next book in the series: *Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon*.

Warm Hearts, Warm Coats – The collection box is waiting to be filled with coats. Gently used coats are distributed locally to help keep people warm this winter.

Subway Cards – Helping Hands still have these coupon cards available to purchase, \$10 per card. See Joan Vowler for details.

Roof Fund – Don't forget to "feed the pig!"



Holiday Greetings

Cliff and Evelyn want to wish all our church family a blessed Christmas and a good year ahead.

Remember in Prayer

Patty Aubele; Ian Alvarez (Judy family's neighbor); JoAnn Booher; Renee Cappetta; Beecher and Kay Dale; Bryce Dulemba; Bill Ebner; Joan Hartley; Betty Henderson (Sandy Chiappetta's aunt); Kathy Jones (Judy Mason's friend); Ernie Keefer; Jan Keefer; Grace, daughter of Min and Yangmo Ku (friends of Julie Sippel-Silowash); Matt Lovre and family; Paul Madaras (Mary Ann Casper's brother); Dale McCune (Garlan McCune's brother); Kay Meadowcroft; Pangallo family; Tom Puckey; Blanch Seiple (Peggy Whitfield's aunt); Ken Simmons (Vicki Stokes' brother); Jay and Vicki Stokes; Jean Swick; Mary Thornton; David Whitfield (Peggy Whitfield's brother); Peggy Whitfield

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(Call in advance for pastor's availability.)