

NOTES

~ December 29, 2013 ~

Next Sunday:

Message: Dave Harnish
Librarian: Heidi Shuman
Church Nursery: Brandy Wiegel, Doris Hanks
On-Call Nursery: Florence Hanks
Part 2 Nursery: Heidi Shuman

Upcoming Dates of Note:

Jan 7 7:00 p.m. Tarry An Hour prayer meeting
Jan 12 Sunday morning Communion service
Jan 14 7:00 p.m. Administrative Council

Attendance and Offering:

Attendance last Sunday 126
Tithes & offerings received last Sunday \$ 5,562.25

Marietta Community Chapel

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Mission Statement:

*We follow Jesus,
addressing the needs of those around us
so that together we may experience the living God
and become channels of compassion and hope to a hurting world.*

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"Loving God, Loving People"



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The Season to ... Remember & Reflect

Luke 2:21-40

Welcome & announcements Dan Althouse

Praise and Worship in song

Responding with tithes and offerings

Message Dave Harnish

Sending prayer Dan Althouse

"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."

Edith Lovejoy Pierce

WELCOME GUESTS

We are delighted you have come to worship with us. If you did not receive a guest packet upon your arrival, please pick up one at the welcome desk in the lobby. We would appreciate if you would also sign the guest book there. We hope to see you again!

Adjusted Schedule Today - see announcement

Kidz for Christ Classes:

- ◆ Ages 3 – 5 (Preschool), 10:10 - 10:50 a.m., Room #2
- ◆ K – 2nd Grades, 10:10 - 10:50., Room #3
- ◆ 3rd – 5th Grades, 10:10- 10:50 a.m., Room #4

Serving Today:

Greeters: Geri and Milt Heilman

Librarian: Heidi Shuman

Church Nursery: Olivia King & assistant

This Week's Chapel Activities:

Tuesday 8:00 p.m. New Year's Eve Party at the Chapel

A New Year's Prayer

May God make your year a happy one!
Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;
Not by making your path easy,
But by making you sturdy to travel any path;
Not by taking hardships from you,
But by taking fear from your heart;
Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows;
Not by making your life always pleasant,
But by showing you when people and their causes need you most,
and by making you anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year ahead!
- Anonymous

Announcements

❖ **PRAYER REQUEST CARDS** are in racks on the benches. If you wish to submit a request, **print** it on a card and place it in the offering plate.

❖ **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** are available upon request. Please check with the technician at the sound booth for assistance.

❖ SCHEDULE FOR TODAY:

- Nursery care will be available.
- All KFC classes will meet from 10:10-10:50.
- Part 2 groups/classes will not meet.

❖ **OFFERING ENVELOPES** for 2014 are in the lobby. Pick up yours, and write your name and number of your new envelopes on the sign-up sheet for the treasurer's record. These envelopes allow you to receive a year-end receipt for all funds, cash or checks, given to the Chapel.

❖ **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MINUTES** - You will find a copy of the December 8 congregational meeting minutes posted on bulletin board in fellowship hall.

❖ **MISSIONS OFFERING** received today will be divided as follows: Alan and Carol Wert (Wales) - \$1,500; Travis & Bekii Kisamore (Chile) - \$1,100; Clair & Beth Good (Vision Columbia) - \$1,000; Duane & Genie Zook (Josh McDowell Ministries) - \$250; and J.C. Ebersole (Africa Assoc of Bible Schools) - \$300. Of the remaining amount: Sean FitzGerald (EMM/Habeckers) - 5% + \$250; Eastern Mennonite Missions General Fund - 30%; Susquehanna Valley Pregnancy Services - 20%; Firestarters Ministry - 15%; and Donegal/Conoy Food Bank - 30%.

❖ **NEW ADDRESS** - Please note this new address for Pastor Dan and Linda Althouse, 1887A Turkey Hill Rd, East Earl, PA 17519

❖ **LIFE GROUPS** - In January we will begin our new small groups. Descriptions are in your mailboxes and sign-up sheets are on table in the lobby. Please see Ruth Martin if you have questions.

❖ **NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY** - A New Year's Eve party is planned for the Chapel on **Tuesday, December 31, from 8:00 p.m. until midnight.** Children's activities are planned from 8-9:30 p.m., with a piñata for the kids at 9:30 p.m. and a buggy drop at midnight. Bring games, food, and drinks to share. Friends are invited.

❖ **Affirmation** - Thank you to all who returned affirmation ballots. Tom Stoltzfus has been affirmed to serve in the role of Pastoral Congregational Relations Committee Chairperson. Thanks, Tom, for your willingness to serve!

❖ **CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD:** Take a minute to check the bulletin board for information on the following and more ...

- **Voices of Hope concert** January 5 at 7 p.m. at the Fulton Theatre. This unique event brings world-class opera talent, including Lancaster County native, Madeline Bender, to Lancaster community. Concert will also include LBC Chamber Singers.
- Thornton Wilder's classic play, *Our Town*, will be performed by Lancaster Mennonite High School for two weekends in January: Jan 17 & 18 at 7 p.m. and Jan 23-25 at 7 p.m. with a 2 p.m. matinee Sat, Jan 25. The play will be staged in the "three-quarters round" format, using the stage space to seat audience members closer to the actors. In this format, seating will be limited and provided on a first come, first serve basis. For ticket info, check the bulletin board.

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❖ SR. HIGH YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- Bible Study this evening, 7:00
- Game Night, Jan 12, 7:00 p.m. at Jantzi home
- Youth Retreat - February 14-16

JR. HIGH YOUTH BIBLE STUDY - January 19, 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel, is date for our next Bible Study.