

NOTES

~ DECEMBER 15, 2019 ~

Next Sunday

Message: Dave Harnish
Librarian: Kathy Jenkins
Church Nursery: Kellie Halteman & Deb Sauder
Kidz for Christ: NO KFC

Attendance and Offering

Attendance last Sunday: 67
Tithes & offerings received last Sunday: \$2,000

Upcoming Dates of Note

December 31 New Year's Eve Party 8:00pm Chapel

Marietta Community Chapel

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May the God of hope
fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,
so that you may overflow with hope
by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:13

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.*



December 15, 2019

**“Welcome Home:
Expecting the Messiah”
Isaiah 11:1-9**

Welcome and Announcements Ruth Martin
Praise and Worship in Song
Responding with Tithes and Offerings
Message Dave Harnish
Sending Prayer Ruth Martin

Sonrise Café 9:00 – 9:30am
Worship Service 9:30 – 11:00am
Part 2 11:00 – 11:30am

WELCOME GUESTS

We are delighted you have come to worship with us. If you did not check-in at the Welcome Desk in the Lobby upon your arrival, we would appreciate if you would stop by and sign the Guest Book. We hope to see you again!

Kidz for Christ Classes:

- ♦ Newborn to age 5, Nursery and Room 5, 9:30 – 11:30am
- ♦ Kindergarten to 6th Grade, Room 6, 10:00 – 11:30am

Part 2 11:00 – 11:30am

Youth

- ♦ 7th – 12th Grades, Room 7

Adults

- ♦ **International Bible Lesson** – Conference Room
- ♦ **Catalyst Groups**
 - College/Career – Prayer Room
 - Connections – Overflow Room 9, Section 1
 - Adults – Fellowship Hall

Serving Today

Librarian: Julie Hedgepeth

Church Nursery: Kay Spicer & Allison Sauder

Kidz for Christ: Bonita King & Joey Sauder

This Week's Chapel Activities

December 17 MCT Meeting 6:30pm Chapel



Worship Service Information

- ♦ **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.

Announcements

❖ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Aria Martin and Christopher Newswanger (today) and Twila Jantzi (Thursday)!

❖ **WELCOME HOME!** The banner in the lobby may have caught your attention when you arrived. Our Advent theme of “Welcome Home!” is intended to tap into that longing that we each have to find a home. As we explore our Advent topics this year, take time to reflect on what ‘home’ means to you. What are the positive, life-giving, inviting aspects of home? We will be connecting our longings for home with the anticipation of Christ’s comings. Welcome Home!

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE – NEXT SUNDAY, December 22 – Café will begin at 9:30am and our one hour “Christmas Service” will begin at 10:00am. The children will be part of the service and there will be no Part 2. December 29, there will be no Part 2 and Kidz for Christ will be shortened to end at 11:00am.

❖ **ADDITIONAL COPIES** from the Congregational Meeting last Sunday are available on the shelf under the church mailboxes.

❖ **A NOTE FROM OUR STEWARDSHIP COORDINATOR** Mel Nissley: With our lower attendance numbers, I appreciate all those who continue to generously give to the general fund! We are doing well financially, but would like to finish 2019 with a positive balance. If you have extra year end giving planned, please consider including the Chapel these last weeks of 2019.

❖ **ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SHARING OPPORTUNITY 2019** is for those in our community who access the local Food Bank. Donations of (NEW) blankets, scarfs, hats and gloves may be placed under the Christmas Tree in the sanctuary during the offering time. Thank-you!

❖ **CHRISTMAS COOKIES** are needed for the Food Bank’s Christmas Meal Boxes. Cookies may be given to LaRie Miller between December 15 and 22. Please package a dozen cookies per bag/plate.

❖ **HOME** – We plan to make a digital collage of ‘home’ to share on December 29. You are invited to send a photo (or two) that represents ‘home’ to you; it can be a photo you take for this purpose or it can be one that you already have. Photos may be emailed to davechapel@gmail.com or physical photos may be given to Pastor Dave; they will be scanned and returned to you. All photos need to be submitted by December 26.

❖ **MISSIONS OFFERING** will be received Sunday, December 29 and will be divided as follows: FitzGerald Family (Thailand/Burma) – \$2,000; Alan & Carol Wert (Wales) – \$1,500; Chris & Ariana Newswanger (Cowboys With a

Mission) – \$1,000. Of the remaining amount: East Donegal/Conoy Christian Food Bank – 50%; Susquehanna Valley Pregnancy Services – 20%; African Association of Bible Schools – 15%; Mennonite Disaster Service – 15%.

❖ **NEW YEARS EVE 11th ANNUAL BUGGY DROP** will be Tuesday, December 31, 8:00pm at the Chapel. Come one, come all and invite your family and friends! Come for a time of fellowship and fun to bring in the New Year! Please bring a drink and snack to share and games to play.

❖ **WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY** will begin the DVD study, “It’s Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered” by Lysa TerKeurst on Wednesday, January 8, 10:00am. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall if you would like to join us. Bookmarks are available with the Bible Study dates listed. Cost of the study books will be announced soon. For more information, please see Geri Heilman or Phyllis Oberholtzer.

❖ **OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2020** are on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Be sure to sign your name and envelope number on the sign-up sheet.

❖ **GROCERY GIFT CARDS** is an ongoing fundraiser for the youth. Gift cards are purchased from Giant and Weis at a discount and sold at face value for a 5% profit. See Zane Harnish if you would like to purchase cards.

Bulletin Board Items

Take a moment to check the bulletin board for information on the following and other items:

- ❖ **A Thank-You Note** From Norman Zeager’s Family
- ❖ **ECHOS** December Events
- ❖ **Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society** Upcoming Events and Employment Opportunities

