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~ DECEMBER 22, 2019 ~

**Next Sunday**

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**Message:** Dave Harnish

**Librarian:** Julie Hedgepeth

**Church Nursery:** Mary Lou Hershey & Madison Hedgepeth

**Kidz for Christ:** Deb Sauder & Joey Sauder

**Attendance and Offering**

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Attendance last Sunday: 63

Tithes & offerings received last Sunday: \$7,185

**Upcoming Dates of Note**

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



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**“Welcome Home: Celebrating Jesus”**

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**Prelude**

Julie Hedgepeth, Nathan Shertzer, Karey Newswanger

**Welcome & Advent Candle Lighting**

**Praise & Worship in Song**

**Responding with Tithes & Offerings**

*“Away in a Manger”*

Nathan Shertzer, Mikayla Sauder

**“For Unto Us a Child is Born”**

Readers

**Song of Response**

*“Hope for Everyone”*

**Meditation**

Pastor Dave Harnish

**Ensemble** Allison Sauder, Zane Harnish, Cordell King  
April King, Madison Hedgepeth, Lisa Immel

**Prayer of Blessing**

## 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!

Nursery Care for infants through age two provided **10:00 – 11:00am**

## Serving Today

**Librarian:** Kathy Jenkins

**Church Nursery:** Kellie Halteman & Deb Sauder

## This Week's Chapel Activities

December 25      Christmas Day!



## 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 Mary Lou Hershey (Tuesday) and Lynne Diffenderfer (Thursday)!

❖ **WELCOME HOME!** 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 29, our Worship Service will begin at the regular time. There will be no Part 2 and Kidz for Christ will be shortened to end at 11:00am.

❖ **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!

❖ **THANK-YOU** to those of you who have provided Christmas Cookies for the families our local Food Bank serves!

❖ **HOME** – We plan to make a digital collage of ‘home’ to share on December 29. You are invited to send a photo (or two) of a person, a place or anything 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](mailto: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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

Merry  
Christmas