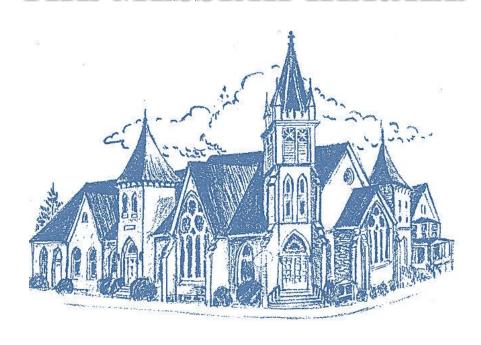
THE MESSIAH HERALD



JANUARY, 2016

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MESSIAH CHURCH CALENDAR

USS-ARK NEWSLETTER

THE LUTHERAN MAGAZINE

DAILY HOME BIBLE READINGS

January 1: Luke 2:15-21
January 2: Ephesians 1:3-14
January 3: John 1:[1-9] 10-18
January 4: Isaiah 6:1-5
January 5: Jeremiah 31:7-14

January 6: Matthew 2:1-12 January 7: Isaiah 43:1-7

January 8: Psalm 29 January 9: Acts 8:14-17

January 10: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 January 11: Ephesians 6:10-17

January 12: 1 John 5:13-21 January 13: Luke 11:33-36 January 14: Isaiah 62:1-5 January 15: Psalm 36:5-10

January 16: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

January 17: John 2:1-11

January 18: Matthew 16:13-19

January 19: Song of Solomon 4:1-8 January 20: Song of Solomon 4:9—5:1

January 21: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

January 22: Psalm 19

January 23: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

January 24: Luke 4:14-21 January 25: Acts 9:1-22

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 26: Jeremiah 36:11-26

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 27: Jeremiah 36:27-32

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 28: Jeremiah 1:4-10

 January
 29: Psalm 71:1-6

January 30: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

January 31: Luke 4:21-30



PRAYER CHAIN

Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at dskint@nmax.net or 436-6341.

If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

<u>DIAL-A-PRAYER</u> (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

JANUARY SCHEDULES

LECTORS

3: Briley Holderman

10: Sam Leister17: Bob St. Clair

24: Ron Yorks31: Diana Wise

ALTAR GUILD

Dec. 28—Feb. 21 Kay Varner

Jan. 10 Clint & Jamie Miller (cup communion) Feb. 7 Clint & Jamie Miller (cup communion)

ALTAR FLOWERS

3: Wendy Goss & family

10: OPEN17: OPEN

24: In honor of our Choir

31: OPEN



Messiah Women of the ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4oz. to 5oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

The next meeting of Messiah Women of the ELCA will be Thursday, January 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area.



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

A First Communion Class will be offered in February. Please register with the church office by January 22, 2016 if you would like your child to attend.

Date and time for the class will be arranged with parents.

BAPTISMAL/NEW MEMBER CLASS

If you wish to have your child baptized or you wish to attend the New Member Class, please let the church office know by January 18, 2016 so a class can be scheduled.

MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Volunteer cooks, drivers, and people to help assemble meals are needed. Cooks are especially needed for the 5th Tuesday and 5th Friday of the month.

If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

Individuals, church groups, or Sunday School classes who would like to make a contribution to the Meals-On-Wheels program, your continued support would be greatly appreciated. Contributions can be sent to:

> Juniata Meals-On-Wheels P.O. Box 251 Mifflintown, PA 17059

STORE GIFT CARDS

Giant Store Gift Cards are also now available as well as the Weis Cards to purchase from members of the Disciples Class.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES NEEDED

Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly in June

2016 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove.

Synod delegates should also plan on attending the Juniata Valley Conference Assembly the 1st Sunday of May. If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Esborn or the church office.



FLOWER CHART

The 2016 flower chart is now in the Adult Sunday School Room.

If you wish to place altar flowers in the church on a specific date, please signup on the chart. Flower dates are on a first-come-first-served basis.

New 2016 Envelopes

Please pick up your new 2016 offering envelopes in the Adult Sunday School Room if you have not already done so.

Be aware that <u>your number has</u> <u>changed</u> and the envelopes are now in alphabetical order according to last names. There are only 52 envelopes in each box—no colored extras for various funds. Please check the funds and the amount you wish to contribute on the front of the envelope. **IMPORTANT:** On the <u>memo</u> line of your check(s) also please specify which funds and how much. You may use one check for several funds (specifying on both envelope and check) or write a separate check for each fund.

Anyone who would like a statement of their contributions for 2015 for tax purposes may call the church office and your statement will be mailed to you.

SECRETARY'S WEEKLY OFFICE HOURS

Hours are as follows:

Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday – 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

APARTMENT FOR RENT AT JAM HOUSE

The board of directors at JAM House is looking for an individual or a couple to rent the four-room apartment attached to our house. The apartment has a separate entrance, parking and all utilities are included with the \$800/mo. Rent.

If you know of someone who may be interested, please contact Larry Wise at 436-6629.



HELP AVAILABLE

If you or someone you know needs help with home repairs or yard work, there are volunteers in our community who may be able to help.

For more information, contact Michael "Doc" Johnston at 436-9209.

IN HOME SERVICES OF CENTRAL PA

In Home Services of Central PA – Helping Senior Citizens in **providing a MULTITUDE of services** such as:

- --Housekeeping
- -- Meal Preparation/Catering
- -- Laundry Services
- --Running of Errands
- --Grocery/Personal Shopping
- --Companionship
- --Personal Assistance
- --Home Maintenance/Painting
- -- Technology/Computer Assistance
- --Gardening
- --Bookkeeping/Banking Assistance
- --Insurance Billing/Benefits Research
- --Pet Care
- --Assistance with Holidays/Parties/Yard Sales
- --Assistance with Making a Move/Downsizing
- --Beautician/Barber Services
- --Alterations/Mending
- --Medical Set-up & Monitoring by Nurse
- -- Transportation To All Appointments

Let us be **YOUR PERSONAL ASSISTANT!** For more details, please call 888-881-2046. Serving Centre, Mifflin and Juniata Counties (LOCALLY OWNED). Check out our website: InHomeServicesofCentralPA.com





HAVE A HAPPY & RLESSED NEW YEAR

WE WISH YOU A BLESSED NEW YEAR IN THE FAITH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. MAY THE YEAR 2016 BE FILLED WITH GOOD HEALTH, HAPPINESS, PEACE AND JOY!

JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY

DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS ARE APPRECIATED!

Address: P.O. Box 44, 114 N. Main St., Mifflintown, PA 17059

Phone #: 717-436-9718

Hours: Tuesday 9-12 & 1-5, Saturday 9-12

Our vestibule is open 24 hours a day to receive non-perishable donations. Cash or gift card donations may be deposited through the mail slot inside the vestibule.

Visit our Website: www.jcfoodpantry.com
Like us on Face Book!

*PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE <u>JUNIATACOUNTY FOOD</u>
<u>PANTRY</u>. (CONTACT PERSON: KATHY QUEITZSCH).

Email: jcfoodpantry@embarqmail.com

*Unfortunately, we have recently been forced to lock our vestibule doors due to theft. We are very sorry for the inconvenience and are working on a solution. In the meantime, please leave donations during the hours we are open. If this is not possible, give us a call and we will work out a convenient time for you.

