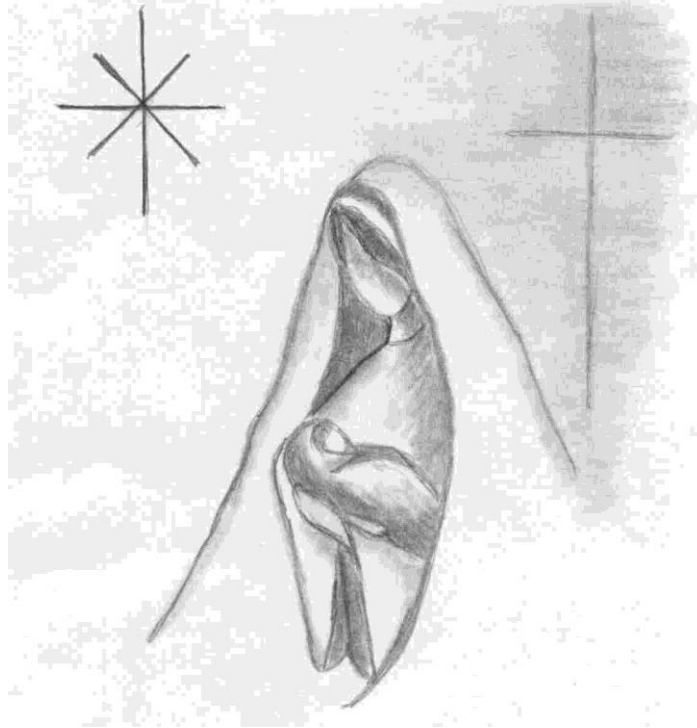


# *“Growing God’s Kingdom”*



## *THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT*

December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### **MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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#### ***TODAY’S INTRODUCTION:***

*Today Isaiah prophesies that a young woman will bear a son and name him Emmanuel. The gospel is Matthew’s account of the annunciation and birth of the one named Emmanuel, God-with-us. During these final days of Advent we pray, “O come, O come, Emmanuel,” a beloved hymn based on the O Antiphons, ancient prayers appointed for the seven days preceding Christmas. On this final Sunday of Advent we prepare to celebrate the birth of the one born to save us from the power of sin and death.*

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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM December 18, 2022 – 10:30 a.m.

\*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

### PREPARATION

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

[Please use the prelude as a quiet time to prepare yourself for worship.]

### \* LIGHTING AND BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

P Praise to you, O God, who lives with us, sharing our flesh and bones. As Mary waited and Joseph dreamed, so we wait and dream for you. Bless us and let your face shine upon us, more radiant than these candles, and more dear than all else we seek. Restore us when we fail to refuse the evil and choose the good, and banish all our fears. We pray in the name of Emmanuel, your promised child and our Savior.

**C Amen.**

### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

**C Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.**

P Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep. Let us confront our sins, and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P God of new beginnings,

**C** we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign. We have strayed from your paths. We prepare for war instead of peace. We dishonor one another and your creation. Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love, that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance, and welcome your coming among us. Amen.

**P** People of God, a new thing is growing in our midst, a tender branch, a living sign. By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder. You have put on + Christ, and your sins have been washed away. Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

**C** Amen.

## GATHERING

\* GATHERING HYMN                      *“Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel”*                      #34 Green Hymnal

\* GREETING

**P** Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the promised gifts of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

\* KYRIE (spoken)

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.    **C** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**P** Christ, have mercy upon us.    **C** Christ, have mercy upon us.

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.    **C** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**“IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR” (VS. 1)**

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold:  
“Peace on the earth, good will to all, from heav’n’s all gracious king.”  
The world in solemn still-ness lay to hear the angels sing.

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.    **C** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**P** Christ, have mercy upon us.    **C** Christ, have mercy upon us.

**P** Lord, have mercy upon us.    **C** Lord, have mercy upon us.

\* SALUTATION AND RESPONSE (spoken)

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

\* PRAYER OF THE DAY (In Unison)

**P** Let us pray...

**C** Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. With your abundant grace and might, free us from the sin that hinders our faith, that eagerly we may receive your promises, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

*(sing only first verse of each carol)  
(there will be narration prior to each carol)*

Carol	<i>"O Little Town of Bethlehem"</i>	#41 Green Hymnal
Carol	<i>"What Child Is This"</i>	#40 Green Hymnal
Carol	<i>"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"</i>	#60 Green Hymnal
Carol	<i>"Away in a Manger"</i>	#67 Green Hymnal
Carol	<i>"Oh, Come, All Ye Faithful"</i>	#45 Green Hymnal
Carol	<i>"We Three Kings of Orient Are"</i>	#646 (WOV) Blue Hymnal
Carol	<i>"Joy to the World"</i>	#39 Green Hymnal

*"Happy Birthday to You, Jesus" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"*

## WORD

*An Israelite and Aramean military coalition presented a serious threat to King Ahaz of Judah. In response, Ahaz decided to secure his throne and kingdom by seeking Assyrian help. Isaiah reminds Ahaz that human attempts to establish security will fail. The prophet gives the sign that is the only source of true safety: Immanuel, God is with us!*

FIRST READING.....Isaiah 7:10-16

<sup>10</sup>The LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying, <sup>11</sup>Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. <sup>12</sup>But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test. <sup>13</sup>Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? <sup>14</sup>Therefore the LORD himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. <sup>15</sup>He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. <sup>16</sup>For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

L: Here ends the reading.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM.....Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 (**responsively**)

<sup>1</sup>Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

**<sup>2</sup>In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us.**

<sup>3</sup>Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**<sup>4</sup>O LORD God of hosts, how long will your anger fume when your people pray?**

<sup>5</sup>You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

**<sup>6</sup>You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

<sup>7</sup>Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

**<sup>17</sup>Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one you have made so strong for yourself.**



P The Gospel of the Lord.  
C **Praise to you, O Christ. (sung)**

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Pastor Leister

\* HYMN OF THE DAY                    *“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”*                    #481 Green Hymnal

\* APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again, He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P God, in your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer.**

\* PEACE

P The peace of Christ be with you always.  
C **And also with you.**

(The congregation may greet one another in the name of the Lord from their pews at whatever level of physical contact with which they are comfortable).

\* OFFERING PRESENTATION

\* SUNG OFFERTORY                    *“Let All Together Praise Our God”*                    (revised wording)

**Let all together praise our God before his glorious throne;  
For he will open heav’n above to give us his own Son, to give us his own Son.**

\* OFFERING PRAYER

P Eternal God, you make the desert bloom and you send springs of water to thirsty ground. Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money, and make us messengers of your mercy and love for all in need of your healing and justice. We ask this through Christ our Savior.

C **Amen.**

**MEAL**

\* ADVENT DIALOG

P We have come with great expectation to meet the coming Messiah.

C **All creation waits with longing for the Son of God.**

P As John the Baptist cried in the wilderness, “Prepare the way for the Lord.”

**C We prepare a place in our hearts and in the world for his coming.**

P O come to us, Emmanuel!

**C God, be with us and save us from our sins.**

\* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:

Blessed are you for the birth of creation.

Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.

Blessed are you for your promise to your people.

Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.

Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.

Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying; Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

**C Come, Lord Jesus.**

P Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

**C Come, Holy Spirit.**

P All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate. Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

\* THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

**C 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 and ever. Amen.**

(If you desire, you may take a gluten free wafer located on the oak pedestal on the step in the front of the chancel).

## DISTRIBUTION

["**At the Chancel Rail**"] – come forward by the CENTER aisle; take a communion cup from the table by the front pew. Approach the altar to partake, then move to the chancel rail to pray. Then, return to your seat using the left or right SIDE aisle]. (Fellowship cups are available for those who wish to remain in your seat for communion)

### \* COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C Amen.**

### \* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Faithful God, in this meal you have remembered your mercy, bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ. As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled, sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery. Guide us toward your promised future, coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

## SENDING

### \* BLESSING

P God the eternal Word, who dwells with us in Jesus, and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit, + bless you now and forever.

**C Amen, Amen, Amen. (sung)**

### \* SENDING HYMN

*"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"*

#44 Green Hymnal

### \* DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Christ is near.

**C Thanks be to God.**

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NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Diana Wise

NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES – Carter Ehrisman & Olivia Mummah

NEXT WEEK'S COMMUNION/OFFERING PRESENTERS – Haley Mummah, Hannah Ehrisman & Brea Beward

NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Diana Wise & Cynthia Smith (11/28 – 12/25)

CHRISTMAS EVE MANNA BREAD BAKER – Jean Berry

CHRISTMAS DAY MANNA BREAD BAKER – Tammy Brackbill

## **WELCOME TO ALL!**

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit in the guest book provided in the Narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the Pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshipping with us.



VISITORS ARE INVITED TO COMMUNE with us if they are baptized, and if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus' promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

JUST A THOUGHT – St. Augustine of Hippo, Bishop of Hippo (354 – 430): The confession of evil works is the first step of good works.

### **CONGREGATIONAL NEWS**

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

PRAYER CHAIN – If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Pastor Leister at [mlcsleister@gmail.com](mailto:mlcsleister@gmail.com).

PRAYER REQUESTS will be placed in the Sunday bulletin for **one month**. If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for an additional month, please contact the church office at 436-6213 or [mlchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com). If you have anyone who is a “last minute” addition after the bulletin has been printed on Fridays, please fill out an orange prayer card in the pew and lay it on the stand where the gluten free wafers are placed PRIOR to the morning worship service.

PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE for any change in addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, or for any requests for building usage. There are a lot of activities and some coordination is needed so events are not “overbooked” in any specific areas of the church (this also applies to church groups who meet in the church). Please contact the office at 436-6213 or email [mlchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:mlchurchoffice@gmail.com) for any changes or requests.

IF ANYONE HAS ANY NEEDS OR CONCERNS, please contact Pastor Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Pastor Leister know. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at [mlcsleister@gmail.com](mailto:mlcsleister@gmail.com).

WEIS AND GIANT GIFT CARDS are available to purchase from the Disciples Class. This is a very important outreach ministry that helps neighbors in need in our own community. We thank each and every one for continued support of this very worthwhile project.

DECEMBER'S “MISSION OF THE MONTH” at Messiah will go towards Shelter Service, Inc. of Mifflin-Juniata-Huntingdon Counties. The monies will be sent from Messiah directly to Shelter Service so they may continue to serve those who are in need in our own community. In addition to your generosity, the PPC allocated funds to match congregational donations up to \$1,000.00. This is just one way in which we can continue to extend our mission in Christ's love beyond the walls of our church building.

THE NEW FLOWER CHART FOR 2023 is now available in the Adult Sunday School Room. If you wish to place flowers on a specific date, please sign-up on the chart.

THE 2023 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES are now available to pick up in the Library. Anyone who would like a statement of their contributions for 2022 for tax purposes may call the church office and your statement will be mailed to you

ALL LOOSE OFFERING AT THE CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE will go to the Matthew 25 Fund to help those in need throughout the year. You can also donate to the fund by writing Matthew 25 Fund on your regular offering envelope and the amount you wish to contribute.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES ARE NEEDED – Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly in June 2023 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove. Synod delegates should also plan on attending the Juniata Valley Conference Assembly (date to be announced). If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Leister or the church office.

**ADVENT SEASON & CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

**TODAY** – Fourth Sunday of Advent. **Children’s Christmas Program** during the morning worship service.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup>** – **Christmas Eve Prelude Concert** at 7:00 p.m. with this year’s music provided by Slone Smith and Bob St. Clair. **Service of Candlelight and Communion** at 7:30 p.m. Junior and Senior Choirs will provide anthems and “Ave Maria” will be sung by Andrea Cameron.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Day **“Informal” service** at 9:15 a.m. Port Royal Lutheran Parish has been invited to attend our service since they will not be having a service that morning.

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**WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT:**

**December 4, 2022** Worship Attendance – (in person 64 – online 29 – Sunday School 0)

Total Offering	\$4,663.00	<u>Other Funds</u>	
Other Funds	<u>1,063.00</u>	Building Fund	\$ 231.00
General Fund	\$3,600.00	Benevolence	236.00
		Mission of Month	400.00
		(Shelter Service)	
		Flowers	87.00
		Lutheran Disaster	<u>109.00</u>
		Total	\$1,063.00

**CHURCH OFFICE 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.

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA**

WE WILL CONTINUE to collect donations of clothing for Packages of Hope for local families as well as children entering foster care as requested by Children’s Services. The list of clothing items is included below. If you would like to purchase an item or two to donate, please place them in the appropriate storage containers located in the Adult Sunday School Room.

**0-3 Years**

- Socks (2 packs each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)
- Onesies (2 packs each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)
- Pajamas (2 sets of each: sizes 0-3 mo, 3-6 mo, 6-9 mo, 9-12 mo, 2, and 3)

**4-7 Years**

- Socks (2 packs each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Underwear (2 packs each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Pajamas (2 sets of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)

- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)
- Sweatshirts (2 of each: sizes 4T, 5T, 6T, and 7)

**8-12 Years**

- Socks (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Underwear (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatshirt (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)

**13-17 Years**

- Socks (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Underwear (2 packs of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Short sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Long sleeve tee (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatpants (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)
- Sweatshirt (2 of each: sizes small, medium, large, extra-large)

(Additionally, we are requesting donations of plastic storage containers to help store and organize all donated items).

*WOMEN OF THE ELCA PURPOSE STATEMENT*

*As a community of women created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.*

**COMMUNITY**

**HOLIDAY MEAL DONATIONS THAT ARE STILL NEEDED:**

**TURKEYS (AROUND 12 LBS.) OR TURKEY BREASTS, WHOLE CHICKENS, HAMS (3-5 LBS.), BOXED BROWNIE MIX, OR COOKIE MIX, BOXED STUFFING, AND TURKEY GRAVY. A \$20 DONATION WILL PURCHASE ONE COMPLETE MEAL!**

## THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

- Today:** -Fourth Sunday in Advent.  
-9:15 a.m., Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal.  
-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Children's Christmas Program.
- Monday:** -7:00 p.m., AA in Disciple's Class. Area.
- Wednesday:** -9:00 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.  
-7:00 p.m., Choir Rehearsal in Sanctuary.
- Saturday:** -7:00 p.m., Prelude Concert by Messiah's "In-House" musicians.  
-7:30 p.m., Christmas Eve Service of Communion and Candlelight.
- Sunday:** -9:15 a.m., Combined Worship & Sunday School informal service.



## **PRAYER LIST**

Steve & Linda Bahorik  
Donna Barton  
Rodai Batiinda  
Gary Bechtold  
Michele Boniewicz  
Dan Brackbill  
Don Bratton  
Dan Brown  
Raymond Cameron  
Randy Clark  
Terry Coder  
Jean Compton  
Fred & Dot Dowling  
Seth Dowling  
Marc Dumais  
Freda Durio  
Cathy Dysinger  
Renee Dzikowski  
The Ettlinger Family  
Neil & Pat Fisher  
Jane Fogleman  
Steve Freeman & family  
Mindy Fryer  
Bentley Fulkroad  
Terri Gayer  
Deb Geedey  
Eddi Kay Gill  
Arrin Gilson  
Deborah Gingrich

Sylva Grimm  
George Gross  
Joyce Hart  
Sue Henderson  
Pat & Karen Henry  
Nox Hepburn  
Erin Husler  
Brenda Imes  
Terry Imes  
Annie Ingle  
Morgan Johnson  
Andrea Kauffman  
Guy Kerstetter  
Kevin Kilmer  
Pam Lawson  
John Lehman  
Michael Lozano  
Zaden Mabey  
Anthony Martin  
Carlen McClure  
Alice McClure  
Cecilia Miller  
Ellwood Miller  
Larry Miller  
Shirley Miller  
Jim Minick  
Claire Mummah  
Ken Mummah  
Paul Ogden

Lillian Parks  
Ron & Linda (Kerchner)Parks  
Kari Ann (Reagen) Petrine  
Dave & Nancy Phelan  
Sandy Pines  
Mia Raish  
Betty Ranck  
Blossom Ranck  
Keith Ranck  
Diane Rowles  
Harold Shearer  
Ron & Arlene Shearer  
Barry Strawser  
Vicki Suoja  
Andy Spigelmyer  
Stacey & Bonnie Swartz  
Dorothy Towsey  
Molly Ulsh  
Doug Wagner  
Roscoe Warner  
Todd Wert  
Eric Wirt  
Jim Woltman  
Phillip Zendt  
Gary Zeiders  
George Zimmerman  
Linda Zimmerman

## **PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS**

- Jane Marhefka – Brookline Retirement Village, 92 Village Drive, Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Gail Henderson & Carol Simonton - Brookline Manor, 2 Manor Blvd., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Alice Swartz & Rich Smith – Berry's Personal Care, 68 Lexi St., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Ruth Cisney & Ray Bramm – Honneman House, 58 Honneman House Dr., Apt. 108, Thompsettown, PA 17094
- Edith Nipple – 1482 William Penn Hwy., Mifflintown, PA 17059
- Sieber & Ona Stoner – William Penn Nursing Home, 163 Summit Dr., Lewistown, PA 17044
- Ken Stuck – 66 Eighth St., Mifflintown, PA 17059



**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO GAVE POINSETTIAS to decorate the church in honor of Christ's birth. You may pick up your poinsettia(s) after the Worship Service on Christmas day.**

TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

In memory of our parents, Ansel and Jean McNaight, by Anne McNaight and Janie Shearer.

In loving memory of Abram and Ruth Shoener and Daniel and Thelma Dreibelbis by the Stephen Dreibelbis family.

In memory of loved ones by Ray and Jane Miller.

In memory of Jean, George and Bill Flint and George, Sr. and Mary Lorraine Hazard by the George Hazard, Jr. family.

In honor of family and friends by George and Marylou Hazard.

In honor of my mom, Florence Williams, by Ron and Debbie Meinsler.

In honor of my sister, Vicki Suoja, by Debbie Meinsler.

In memory of all our loved ones gone before by Ron and Debbie Meinsler.

In memory of our parents, Richard and Daisy Van Gavree and Paul and Dorothy Patterson, by Rich and Cindy Van Gavree.

In memory of my grandparents, John and Hulda St. Clair and Lester and Grace Parsons, by Bob St. Clair.

In loving memory of my father, Robert St. Clair, Sr. by Bob St. Clair.

In loving honor of my mother, Jeanette St. Clair, by Bob St. Clair.

In memory of George and Evelyn Shirk and Gerald and Evelyn 'Nootie' Davis by family.

In memory of my grandparents by Kenton Stuck.

In memory of our beloved wife and mother, Kay Stuck, by Ken and Kenton Stuck.

In memory of loved ones by Judy and Herman Armstrong.

In honor of our children, Susan, Carol and Kenneth and their spouses, Reg, John and Tawny, by Ken and Ruth Mummah.

In honor of our grandchildren, Harrison, Haley and Olivia, by Ken and Ruth Mummah.

In memory of our parents, Dale H. and Charlotte Henry and Harry and Martha Mummah, by Ken and Ruth Mummah.

In loving memory of Barry T. Stratford by Betty and family.

In memory of loved ones by Don and Barb Geedey.

In memory of Butch Pines and Tammy Pines Walton by Sandy Pines and family.

In honor of our grandson and nephew, Braedon Walton, by Sandy Pines and Dan and Michelle Stoner.

In memory of Robert E. 'Hap' Smith, Lloyd and Flossie Showers and Clarence and Beulah Leister by Pastor Sam and Linda Leister and family.

In memory of Dorothy and Karen Swab and Rick Fultz by Nick, Bethanie, Thea and Brea Beward.

In memory of Johnny, Donald, Sr., Margaret, Donald, Jr., and Ronnie Beward by Nick, Bethanie, Thea and Brea Beward.

In honor of our Pappy and Mam-Maw Leister and Nammy Beward by Thea and Brea Beward.

In memory of John and Helen Sieber by George and Kay Varner and family.

In memory of Martin and Ruth Varner by George and Kay Varner and family.

In honor and memory of loved ones by Larry and Diana Wise.

In honor of our parents, Ken and Ruth Mummah and Pamela Campbell, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In honor of our children, Harrison, Haley and Olivia, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In honor of Tirzah, Chris and Nick by Tammy Brackbill.

The large Poinsettia on the piano in the front of the sanctuary was placed in memory of Joyce Yetter by Vernon Gunnion and family.

The large variegated Poinsettia was placed in honor of God's people at Messiah by Pastor Sam and Linda Leister

#### **MEMORIALS FOR LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE**

In memory of our parents, Ansel and Jean McNaught, by Anne McNaught and Janie Shearer.

In memory of loved ones by Ray and Jane Miller.

In memory of my grandparents by Kenton Stuck.

In memory of our beloved wife and mother, Kay Stuck, by Ken and Kenton Stuck.

In honor and memory of loved ones by Larry and Diana Wise.

In honor of my mom, Florence Williams, by Ron and Debbie Meinsler.

In honor of my sister, Vicki Suoja, by Debbie Meinsler.

In memory of all of our loved ones gone before by Ron and Debbie Meinsler.

In honor of our parents, Ken and Ruth Mummah and Pamela Campbell, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In honor of our children, Harrison, Haley and Olivia, by Ken and Tawny Mummah.

In memory of my former students: Sam Brown, Kyle Knepp, Susan Hoffman Colyer, Allison McClure Garver, Tammy Pines Walton, Susan Huss Dare, Ryan Hackett, Randy Thompson, Michael Hockenberry, Jeffrey Marks, Antonio Wells, Bill Swartz, Jed Phelan, Zachary Pellman and Kathy Beaston by Cindy Van Garvee.