

# GRAPEVINE

November 23, 2010

Last Tuesday evening, the small group that meets in our home did a Bible study of Psalm 103. Listen to the first two verses: *öBless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits.ö* The remaining 20 verses of the Psalm recall God's many benefits and gifts to us. At our best, that's what we do on Thanksgiving (when we're not stuffing ourselves with turkey, gorging on football games, and preparing our strategy for öBlack Friday!ö); we remember God's many gifts to us- tangible and intangible, temporary and permanent.

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That's a good discipline for us as Christians, reminding ourselves of God's goodness to us. It helps shape us into grateful people. And being a grateful person isn't just important because it gives us a better temperament! It's important because it reflects the reality of life. God has created us and placed us into a good world in which we experience God's many blessings each day. Being grateful is simply an acknowledgement of that reality. So take time to remember God's gifts and be grateful this Thanksgiving!

## Have You Seen Our Banner?

The banner which is placed at the Baltimore St. entrance, advertising our Christmas Eve services, is missing. If you have seen it, please contact the church office (334-1235). No questions asked...

# Happy Birthday to...



## December 1

Sam Dayhoff  
Andrew Larson

## December 2

Stephanie Beamer  
Richard Burdge  
Rebecca Kiefer  
Drew May  
Alexander Shpak  
Edward Thompson

## December 3

Danny Ecker

## December 4

Sharon Baker  
Caitlin Reisinger

## December 5

Hailey Brownley  
Merle Weant

## December 6

Hayden Garverick  
Austin Rucker

## December 7

Rebecca Beegle  
Emily Hull  
Allen Knouse  
Melissa MacDonald

## December 8

McKenna Kulkusky  
John Musselman  
Lee Weber

## December 9

Robert Jones  
Holly Scarbrough  
Ed Suplee  
Shawn Wagner

## December 11

Megan Angstadt  
Steven Deitch

## December 12

Kim Eskildsen

## December 13

Newton Stewart  
Beth Mowrey  
Mary Lynn Weaver  
Charles Zimmerman

## December 19

Beth Christopher  
Dalton Doehring  
Shirley Fennimore

## December 14

Addison Gipe  
Melanie Kansagra  
Patricia Knutson  
Doug Parkhurst  
John Tschop

## December 15

Emily Dayhoff  
June Powers

## December 16

Wendy Brubaker  
Casey Ecker  
Janet Lightner  
Bonita Soliday

## December 17

Ruth Ann Fatzinger  
Marion Lambert

## December 18

Harold Camlin  
Richard Lightner

## December 19

George Petrie  
Kelly Pizzuto  
Christian Priel

## December 20

Chad Cook  
Sedona Wilson

## December 21

Sonja Brown  
Debbie Manning  
Laura Pennings  
Rachel Quashnoc

## December 21

Christa Fitzgerald  
Beth Freeman  
Chase King  
Aaron Murray  
June Wescott  
Harry Winsheimer

## December 22

Kegan Foster  
Luke Wilson

## December 23

Sue Hain  
Megan Linn  
Jane North  
James Williams

## December 24

Bryan Beegle  
Lucy Breighner  
Jeffery Cook  
Emily Druckman

## December 25

Jan Knouse  
Robert Remaley  
JESUS  
Kirk Cowden  
Kenneth Elledge  
Nicholas Rucker

## December 26

Bronte Fennimore  
Helen Weaver

## December 27

Julia Burke  
Allyson Schubbe  
Chuck Teague  
Mandy Weikert

## December 28

John DeNoma  
Elizabeth Huettner

## December 29

Katherine Schneider  
Lynn Stabler

## December 30

Sandra Breighner  
Carolyn Hankey  
Ted Kinsey  
Norman Paul

## December 31

Anne Warcup  
Kathy Wark  
Andy Armstrong  
Paul Doehring  
Megan Ecker  
Lynne Orner

## *Youth Club/Young at Heart*

### *Thanksgiving Feast*

On Wednesday, November 17, 110 people attended our annual Youth Club / Young at Heart Thanksgiving Dinner! Each year this gathering of the younger and older members of our church enables us to get to know each other a little better, while enjoying a delicious feast.

THANKS to the following who made this possible: Rick Beamer and the Dobbin House who provided turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, corn muffins, stuffing, and delicious chocolate cake.

Young at Heart members who provided vegetables, casseroles and desserts.

Sarah Lambert and Beth Jones who coordinated the Young at Heart contributions.

Steve Reinheimer and Scott McPherson for set-up.

Melanie Keller for purchasing all of the paper products, drinks, cranberry sauce, and cool whip.

Gina Xenos, Melanie Keller, Lucy Breighner, Beth Freeman, Kathleen Kiick and Linelle Matthews for serving and cleaning up.

Gwen Scofield and Gerry Dettloff for decorating the tables.

Penny Messinger for the table activities.

Tammi Swartzbaugh for leading the singing.

**SEE YOU ALL NEXT YEAR!**



## A NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Friends,

My life has been blessed by the privilege of serving as one of your associate pastors and I am so thankful for each of you.

Thank you for your many generous gifts, encouraging cards, kind words and warm hugs. Your love and support will always mean very much to me!

Thank you to Cindi Knouse and the Fellowship Team for coordinating the reception in my honor between services on October 24th. Thank you to Johnna Sanders, Amy Hieber, the Chapel Choir, the Contemporary Music Team and the Sunday School Children for sharing their talents in a special song: ðA New Hallelujahö sung at the 9:30 service! I thank the Adult Handbells, Youth Handbells and Youth Choir that rang and sang at traditional services.

In this season of Thanksgiving and as we enter the season of Advent, I give thanks for my Gettysburg Presbyterian Church family and pray that we live with enthusiasm and expectancy of all we can become through God's love!

With gratitude and love,  
Candace

# Christmas Fair

## December 5, 2010

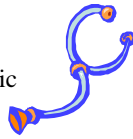
The 2010 Christmas Fair is just around the corner on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Bring the whole family for a light supper, games for children of all ages, craft tables, coffee, tea & cocoa sales, prizes, and the opportunity to give gifts that have potential to change (and even save) lives. **If you cannot join us on the evening of December 5, gifts can also be purchased in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings, December 5, 12, and 19.**

All items purchased in honor of someone on your Christmas list will be accompanied by a gift card.

### MISSION: HONDURAS 2011

A gift through Mission: Honduras 2011 will aid our church's own medical/dental mission team headed by Dr. Brad Hoch, Dr. Tom Soliday and Dr. Lee Flinner to San Luis de Santa Barbara, Honduras next summer to treat 6,000 men, women, and children.

- \$ 5 Asthma medicine for 1 child for a week
- \$ 10 Antibiotics for 5 children
- \$ 10 Transportation for 3 people to get to clinic
- \$ 15 Fluoride treatment for 20 children
- \$ 50 Vitamins for 250
- \$ 50 One emergency ambulance trip to hospital
- \$ 75 Parasite treatment for 1,000 people
- \$1,500 One open heart surgery for a needy child



### MISSION: SOUTH DAKOTA 2011

Our church will again send a mission team to the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation in Cherry Creek, SD to help repair homes for the Indian residents, provide diabetes education, offer nutrition classes, and hold a Festival.

- \$ 2 Coloring book & crayons
- \$ 5 Fabric
- \$ 10 Snow shovel
- \$ 12 Fan
- \$ 15 Blanket
- \$ 20 Fire extinguisher
- \$ 20 Auto Repair Kit
- \$ 25 Nutrition Class Supplies
- \$ 50 Construction supplies



### HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

A gift of livestock, through Heifer International, will help fight hunger around the world by encouraging recipients to become self-sufficient food producers.

- Fish \$10, \$1 share
- Chick \$20 flock, \$1 each
- Ducks \$20 flock, \$3 each
- Tree seedlings \$25, \$5 share
- Bees \$30 package, \$5 share
- Rabbits \$60 trio, \$10 share
- Goats \$120 each, \$10 share
- Sheep \$120, \$10 share
- Pig \$120 each, \$10 share
- Llama \$150 each, \$20 share
- Water Buffalo \$250 each, \$25 share
- Cow \$500 each, \$50 share



### MEXICO 2011

A contribution to this project will aid our church's mission team as they travel to Mexico to do construction projects, offer a Bible School, and give out eyeglasses.

- \$ 5 Markers/Crayons for Bible School
- \$ 12 Bag of cement
- \$ 15 10 Cinder blocks
- \$ 25 Mason helper for one day
- \$ 28 Cubic meter of sand
- \$ 28 Cubic meter of gravel
- \$ 30 Master Mason for one day
- \$ 35 Beam for home construction
- \$150 Ground transportation for 1 participant



### SEA ISLAND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

A contribution to this project will help support our church's mission team which travels each year to Johns Island, South Carolina to help build homes for low-income families.

- \$ 1 Nails
- \$ 10 Construction supplies
- \$ 10 Gallon of paint
- \$ 15 Light fixtures
- \$ 25 Roofing shingles
- \$ 25 Sheet of plywood
- \$ 50 Window
- \$100 Door



### ADAMS COUNTY WORKCAMP 2011

Next summer 400 teens from around the U.S. will come to Adams County for a week in June to repair homes of elderly residents.

- \$ 3 2 x 4 x 8
- \$ 6 4 bags of ice
- \$ 7 4 x 4 x 8 post
- \$ 10 4 x 8 drywall
- \$ 15 1 gallon of paint
- \$ 18 Bundle of shingles
- \$ 30 4 x 8 T-111 siding
- \$ 30 Bundle of insulation
- \$ 54 Square of shingles (over 100 sq. ft.)



## Stewardship Campaign - "The Joy of Giving"

- Ingredients**
- Reflection**
- Examination**
- Commitment**
- Involvement**
- Prayer**
- Excitement**

*Each of you must give as you have made up your mind,  
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*  
2 Corinthians 9:7

Mix all together, stir with joy and cook during the stewardship campaign. Remember that this is one recipe in which too many cooks do NOT spoil the broth!

In mid-October, we embarked on this year's stewardship campaign, The Joy of Giving. Each Sunday, we considered the ingredients of the stewardship recipe and reflected on various questions:

- Am I excited about my relationship with God?
- Is financial giving part of my spiritual relationship with God?
- What excites me about being a generous giver?
- Do I feel gratitude to God when I pray and when I give my time, talents and treasure?
- Do I give out of habit and only because it is my Christian duty to do so? Or do I give because it is a part of my spiritual relationship with God, and it is a privilege to serve God's causes?
- Do I need to increase my financial pledge to better meet God's plan for GPC?

You might find it interesting to know that the stewardship team has been asked if there are templates offered by the Presbytery for stewardship themes. Are there sample banners? Do the bulletin inserts come as a package? Did the youth have prepared scripts to follow for the fabulous stewardship videos they made? The answer to all of these is "no." Instead, in all cases GPC's stewardship messages are "home-grown," made-from-scratch expressions of joyful giving by members of our congregation!

What is your recipe for joyful giving?

Thank you for pledging your time, talents and financial treasure!

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### Kids Club - "Thank You"

19 children in K-grade 2 met after school on Tuesdays for five weeks Oct. - Nov. to learn about the apostle Paul. We had fun reading and listening to Bible stories, singing, playing games and making crafts. We learned about Paul's conversion, Lydia's baptism, Paul's time in prison with Silas and his shipwreck experience. Bible verses and Bible points were taught and could be memorized for each lesson. As a final review of Paul's adventures, murals were painted for each story. Check them out in fellowship hall! During our last class together, we attended a purple dinner party at Lydia's house.

Our Scripture Challenge was to memorize all the books of the Bible. Kegan Foster and Tyler Kint took the challenge. Kegan memorized the WHOLE New Testament and Tyler memorized ALL the books of the Old and New Testament. Congratulations Kegan and Tyler!

Thank you to our volunteers who helped in so many ways: Paulette Brabender, Betty Brownley, Wendy Brubaker, Phyllis Dowd, Alva Ecker, Rita Egloff, Shawn and Archie Graff, Amy Hieber, Kim Hubble, Trish Jeffrey, Susan Kint, Milt and Cindi Knouse, Laura Lochary, Scott McPherson, Penny Messinger, Alex Nyiri, Steve Reinheimer, and Anna Snyder.

Kids Club will start again in late winter/early spring.

In His love,

The family of Rebecca Wells is grateful to the Gettysburg Presbyterian Church pastors, staff and congregation for all the prayers and support given to "Becky" and our family during her illness and passing. She was uplifted by the many cards, letters, visits and prayers. The heartfelt messages written in the cards were beautiful. We offer a special thanks to all those who sat with her during those difficult days. She was especially pleased with the support for Chooch and family members. She had more concern for them than for herself. GPC is truly a special church with a wonderful Christian ministry.

May God continue to bless us!

### SPECIAL THANKS:

**The Faithful Journey Book Club** would like to thank the following folks:  
**Janet Dewar and Eleanor Pella** for leading the discussion of Animal Vegetable, Miracle on Sept. 26th.  
**Joan Pore** for leading the discussion of Have a Little Faith on Oct. 24th.  
**Lou Nyiri** for hosting the activities for The Best Christmas Pageant Ever on Nov. 19th and 20th as we hosted author Barbara Robinson!

\*\*\*\*\***AND EXTRA SPECIAL THANKS** to **Mary Lou Seamans** who coordinated the visit of her sister **Barbara Robinson**, author of the Best Christmas Pageant Ever !!

On Friday evening, November 19th, 87 people gathered in the sanctuary to watch the made-for-TV movie version of the book. Afterwards, Barbara Robinson told us many stories about the making of the film and then we gathered in Fellowship Hall for book signings and refreshments. On Sat. morning, Nov. 20th, 27 readers of all ages met for a wonderful discussion about the book as well as a question and answer time with Barbara! It was an awesome opportunity to gather around this sweet story of the Herdman children as they hear the story of Jesus' birth! ( PS: Thank you to all who baked muffins and brought canned goods for the soup kitchen.)



# Upcoming Events:

## December Music Schedule

Dec. 5	8:15 a.m.	Flute Choir Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Flute Choir Adult Choir
Dec. 12	8:15 a.m.	Adult Bell Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Bell Choir Youth Choir
Dec. 19	8:15 a.m.	Adult Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Primary Choir Adult Choir
Dec. 24	7:00 p.m.	Chapel Bell Choir Chapel Choir Flute Choir
	8:30 p.m.	Brass Quintet Adult Choir Kyleigh Grim
Dec. 27	8:15 a.m.	Rachel Doehring
	11:00 a.m.	Rachel Doehring

## HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

### December

December 5	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	GPC Christmas Fair
December 12	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Christmas Tree Delivery
December 19	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Christmas Dinner & Silly Gift Exchange
December 22	5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Open House @ Lou, Candace & Alex's home - 19 E. High St.
December 26	NO SHIP	Christmas Break

## MidSHIP Schedule

### December

December 4	10:00 am - 2:00 pm	Babysitting @ GPC
December 5	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	GPC Christmas Fair
December 12	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Fellowship/Games
December 19	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Christmas Dinner & Silly Gift Exchange
December 26	NO MidSHIP	Christmas Break



## LET'S DECORATE !

Thursday, December 2

6:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to help with decorating the church for Christmas on Thursday, Dec. 2 @ 6:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in helping, please contact Paulette Brabender at 642-9648.



## NEED A RIDE?

If you are having trouble attending church services and/or church functions due to not having transportation, let the Deacons help you. We are only a phone call away. The transportation Deacon for December is Sherry Farkas, 642-1552.



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High School FellowSHIP

Christmas Open House

Who: SHIP Alumni, Advisors, Current Senior High Youth & Friends

When: December 22, 2010 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM

Where: Lou, Candace and Alex's House, 19 East High Street, Gettysburg

Why: To relax, reconnect with old & new friends and enjoy some of Lou's famous Cheese Dip!



**HELP FOR CHRISTMAS EVE!!!**

We need volunteers for the church nursery on Christmas Eve. If you can help at the 4:00, 5:30, 7:00 or 8:30 p.m. services please contact Phyllis in the church office at 334-1235, ext. 5 or [gpcdce@embarqmail.com](mailto:gpcdce@embarqmail.com)

ô Thanks!

**Baked Goods Needed for the Christmas Fair !!**

All types of baked goods are needed for the Christmas Fair held on Sunday, December 5. These items will be used for bake sale and for dinner desserts. The baked goods can be placed in the church kitchen by Sunday morning, Dec. 5. Please mark "BAKE SALE" on them. The Mission and Interpretation Team thanks you for your time and effort!

**2011 Chancel Flowers**

The new calendar is available on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall to sign up for the Chancel flowers in 2011.



**Extra Crafts for the Christmas Fair**

Do you have any crafts you would be willing to donate for sale at the Christmas Fair on Sunday, December 5? If you make crafts to sell this time of year, perhaps you have some extras you would be willing to give. If you like to make crafts in your spare time, perhaps you could make some just for the Fair. All proceeds from items sold at the craft tables will go to the mission projects. (You can choose the specific project for the proceeds from your crafts.) Contact Phyllis Dowd at 334-1235, ext. 5, or [gpcdce@embarqmail.com](mailto:gpcdce@embarqmail.com) if you have any questions. Please bring crafts to Fellowship Hall **BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, OR THE MORNING OF SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT THE LATEST.**

**Donations needed for the games at the Christmas Fair**

- Glassware, mugs, tea cups, etc. for the Penny Pitch (bring to Phyllis's office by Dec. 4)
  - 120 tootsie roll pops or holiday pops (for the lollipop tree)
  - Wal-Mart \$5 or \$10 gift cards to purchase the goldfish and other game supplies
- Please call Phyllis if you can help with any of these items. ô Thanks!

**BIRTHDAY PARTY for JESUS!!**

*Held during the 4:00 p.m. service on Christmas Eve.*



For children ages 2 to Grade 2, a special "Birthday Party for Jesus" will be held during the 4:00 p.m. service on Christmas Eve. The party will include songs, the Christmas story, crafts, cupcakes for Jesus, and a special gift bag for each child.

Children will begin the service with their families in the sanctuary and exit shortly thereafter. All children ages 2 to Grade 2 are welcome to attend this meaningful celebration.



## Give the "Gift" of Christmas

Give the enclosed invitation to a friend and invite him/her to attend one of our many Christmas preparation events or to worship with you on Christmas Eve. This could really be "the gift that keeps on giving" in your friend's life. For more copies call the church office 334-1235.

As our Christmas Gift to you, the GPC Mid-Ship group would like to offer you four hours of free babysitting for your children ages 7 and under on



Saturday, Dec. 4, 2010

from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

We will play games, make a craft, have lunch and watch a Christmas movie while you have time to shop, eat lunch out, or take a much-needed nap!

Please RSVP to Libby Crowe at (717) 476-0821 or [fourcrows@embarqmail.com](mailto:fourcrows@embarqmail.com) by December 1, 2010

### GPC Moms & Friends Bible Study

**December 1 at 10:00 a.m.**

Join us each month in the church library for a relaxed time of sharing, prayer and faith building. Coffee and tea will be served.

*Childcare will be available but we would like to have a count to be prepared. Please email Melany LaRochelle at [mmmla@comcast.net](mailto:mmmla@comcast.net) if you need childcare.*



### Session Update

At its stated meeting of Nov. 14, the Session

- Studied four basic mission orientations of churches and reflected on GPC's mission orientation
- Approved a facility use policy
- Declined an offer to serve as the site for a Lincoln sculpture
- Approved a recommendation from the Mission Committee regarding mission presentations in 2011
- Approved the following officers for 2011  
 Clerk- Jean LeGros  
 Treasurer- George Marguglio  
 Asst. Treasurer- Jim Biggar  
 Auditors: John Harman, Beth Smith, Jane Gwyn
- Approved a recommendation from the Worship Committee and staff to offer 4 Christmas Eve services (instead of 5)

### White Christmas Dreams Tinted Blue

The expectation that holidays are joyful times with families gathered around the Christmas tree is embedded in our culture and tradition. However, the reality for many people is that many variables can impinge on what might otherwise be a joyous season. Family strife, loss and grief, personal finances, and economic concerns can cause some to feel less than joyful and out-of-step during the holidays. If you find yourself resonating with any of this, then please call the church office to speak with a pastor about our care-giving ministry (334-1235). Please check out the display of literature in Fellowship Hall for more information and helpful aides. You might also consider coming to the "Light in the Midst of Darkness" worship service on December 19th (see pg. 9 of this newsletter for details on this service).

### PW CIRCLES

#### Elizabeth Circle

**Monday, December 13, NOON**  
 Hostess: Lucy Breighner  
 218 Baltimore St.  
 Gettysburg, PA 17325  
 334-6866

#### Mary Martha Circle

**Monday, December 21, 7:30 p.m.**  
 Hostess: Trudy Culberson  
 55 Friendship Lane  
 Gettysburg, PA  
 334-9763

#### Esther Circle

**Thursday, December 17, 9:30 a.m.**  
 Eisenhower Lounge at GPC  
 Lesson 4: Judy English  
 Joshua 1:2-3, 10-15; 5:10-12

Please take an appetizer to share.  
 There will be a gift exchange (\$10).



## Young at Heart Wednesday, December 9, 2010

Our December meeting will be a covered dish luncheon starting at 12:00 Noon in Fellowship Hall. Following the meal there will a presentation of Christmas favorites by "Timeless Harmony", a female acapella quartet. All are welcome; if you are not on a regular call list and would like to attend, bring a covered dish of your choosing and your own place setting and join us for this wonderful time of fellowship. If you have any questions or comments please call Pam or Dick Wisor at 359-8896 or email us at [pwisor@hotmail.com](mailto:pwisor@hotmail.com).

**Special Note:** In support of the Matthew's presentation at our Sept. meeting on their trip to Tanzania we will be taking a free-will offering for the disabled children at Faraja Primary School. Please think about how you might like to support this very worthwhile ministry.

We wish to thank so many of the congregation for your prayers, cards, phone calls and Emails following the death of Wayne's father and Judy's cancer diagnosis.

Special and heartfelt thanks to those women of this church who were willing to share their stories of coping with breast cancer with Judy.

God Bless,  
Wayne and Judy English

**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED** of Gettysburg and Adams County invites women of all local churches to join in some Christmas musical cheer at their next monthly meeting on Wednesday, December 1, 2010. Held in the Gettysburg United Methodist Church at 30 West High Street and beginning at 12:00 noon with a simple lunch (\$2), we join together for an hour and get acquainted with other church women in our area. This month's lunch will be arranged by our ladies from St. Francis Xavier. Following dessert, our program will be seasonal music performed by the St. Francis Xavier School's 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grader chorus. Newcomers are always welcome. No reservations needed. (Parking available in non-numbered spaces behind the church.) For more information contact Rachel at 334-3415. In the event of inclement weather, we will be cancelled only if the Gettysburg School district is closed.

# Poinsettias

Help us decorate the sanctuary at Christmas by ordering a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone. The flowers will be used in the sanctuary from December 12<sup>th</sup> through December 24<sup>th</sup>. You may pick up your plant(s) following the evening worship on the 24<sup>th</sup> or before noon on December 28<sup>th</sup>. The church office will be closed Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup>. Those not picked up by noon on the 28<sup>th</sup> will be delivered to shut-ins. The 5-6 bloom 6 1/2" pot will cost \$8.50.

Please fill in the following form and send it with your check made payable to Gettysburg Presbyterian Church to:  
Mary Lou Seamens  
169 Hunters Trail  
Gettysburg, PA. 17325

Orders MUST be in by Sunday, December 5th.

We cannot accept orders after that date—No extensions.

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## Christmas Poinsettias 2010

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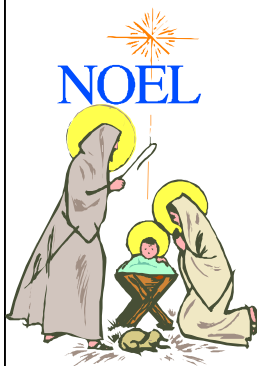
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In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_



# of plants you will pick up \_\_\_\_\_ # of plants to be delivered to shut-ins \_\_\_\_\_



## Christmas Pageant on December 12

Our Christmas pageant will be presented on Sunday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Two angels will narrate the play, as teens and children together act out the story of the birth of Jesus. The Primary Choir will sing one song, and the Chapel Choir will sing carols throughout. The program ends with the traditional nativity scene. The evening will also include carol singing by the congregation and potluck dessert. So come join us on December 12, bring your favorite snack/dessert to share, and take a break from the holiday rush.

## COFFEE, TEA, COCOA, AND MUCH MORE FOR SALE AT THE FAIR!

This year we will again be selling coffee, cocoa, and tea at the Fair. 12-oz. packages of 7 different kinds of coffee, 4 types of tea, and 12-oz. cans of organic hot cocoa & spicy hot cocoa mix will be available through the Presbyterian Coffee Project/Interfaith Coffee Program. Also for sale will be 5 kinds of chocolate bars, organic roasted almonds, and organic sweetened cranberries. These items are available through a program called Equal Exchange which provides fair trade opportunities through worker-based co-ops with small scale farmers.



### Light in the Midst of Darkness: A Worship Service for Those Who Find Celebrating Difficult

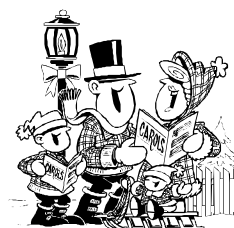


Sunday, December 19, 2010  
4:00PM Sanctuary

For many of us, Christmas is a bittersweet time of year. It is a time for remembering both persons and events that have been a part of our lives in the past, but that are now changed or gone. This is the time of year with the longest nights, so we offer a quiet, meditative worship service that makes time for remembering, sharing our hurting places with God, and preparing our hearts for the coming of Christ.

Join us on Sunday, December 19 at 4:00 p.m., for a candle-lit time of music, scripture, stories, silent reflection and prayer.

## CHRISTMAS CAROLING Sunday, Dec. 19



Join your church family members of all ages for an evening of Christmas Caroling on Sunday, December 19th. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m. and return to the church by 8:00 p.m. for hot chocolate.

Beginning December 5th, following each worship service, a sign-up list will be available in Fellowship Hall.

Please join us for this evening of fun, fellowship, and... caroling!

For more information, please contact Amy Hieber at 338-0624 or Phyllis Dowd at 334-1235, ext. 5.

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# ADVENT 2010

November 28 - First Sunday of Advent

**8:15 and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
**9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship**

December 5 - Second Sunday of Advent

**8:15 and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
**9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship**  
**4:30 p.m. Annual Christmas Mission Fair**

December 12 - Third Sunday of Advent

**8:15 and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
**9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship**  
**7:00 p.m. "Christmas Pageant"**  
(Please bring a snack / dessert to share)

December 19 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

**8:15 and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship**  
**9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship**  
**4:00 p.m. Light in the Midst of Darkness:**  
**A Worship Service for Those Who Find**  
**Celebrating Difficult**  
**7:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling - All Ages Welcome!!**

December 24 - Christmas Eve Services

**4:00p.m. Traditional Worship and**  
**Birthday Party for Jesus (ages 2-Grade 2)**  
**5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship – Contemporary Music Team**  
**7:00 p.m. Family Worship – Children's Vocal and Bell Choirs**  
**8:30 p.m. Traditional Worship- Adult Vocal Choir, Brass**

Candle-lighting and Carol singing at all services.  
Nursery care provided at each service.

***Come and Celebrate the Season with Joy and Hope!***



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1</b> 10:00 a.m. Moms & Friends Bible Study 12 p.m. Men's Interfaith Lunch. 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Welcome & Outreach 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	<b>2</b> 1:00 p.m. Homeschool Volleyball 6:00 p.m. Decorating the Church 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music 6:30 p.m. Christian Education 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Christmas Fair Set-Up</b>  10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. MidSHIP Babysitting
<b>5 CHRISTMAS FAIR</b> <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir <b>4:30 p.m. Christmas Fair</b> 4:30 p.m. SHIP / MidSHIP 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir	<b>6</b> 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 9:00 a.m. Montessori P.E. 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	<b>7</b> 8:30 a.m. Sewing Workshop 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Leaders Mtg. 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision Mtg.	<b>8</b> 10:00 a.m. Moms Club of Adams Cty. 12 p.m. Men's Interfaith Lunch. 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	<b>9</b> <b>12:00 Noon</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 12:00 p.m. Young @ Heart 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>9:00 a.m. Pageant Rehearsal</b>  F F C M Distribution parking lot only until 2 p.m.
<b>12 CHRISTMAS FAIR</b> <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 12:15 p.m. Deacons Mtg. 12:15 p.m. Property Com. 12:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 1:00 p.m. Youth Choir 5:00 p.m. Session 5:30 p.m. MidSHIP 5:30 p.m. SHIP Christmas Tree Delivery <b>7:00 p.m. "Christmas Pageant"</b>	<b>13</b> 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 9:00 a.m. Montessori P.E. 10:00 a.m. Mom's Club Board 1:00 p.m. Elizabeth Circle 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. Cancer Support	<b>14</b> 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board Mtg 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Informational Meeting	<b>15</b> 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	<b>16</b> 9:30 a.m. Esther Circle 12:00 p.m. Staff Luncheon 7:00 p.m. New Officer's Training 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19 CHRISTMAS FAIR</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Sunday School <b>4:00 p.m. Light in the Midst of Darkness Worship Service</b> 5:30 p.m. SHIP / MidSHIP Christmas Party 7:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling	<b>20</b> 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 9:00 a.m. Montessori P.E. 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. Mary Martha Circle	<b>21</b> 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 7:00 p.m. NO Stephen Ministry Supervision Mtg.	<b>22</b> 4:00 p.m. Chapel Choir 4:30 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 5:30 p.m. SHIP Open House @ Candace, Lou & Alexander's home 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 4:00 p.m. Traditional Worship (Birthday Party for Jesus ages 2 - Grade 2) 5:30 p.m. Contemporary Worship 7:00 p.m. Family Worship 8:30 p.m. Traditional Worship	<b>25</b>  MERRY CHRISTMAS!
<b>26</b> 9:30 a.m. NO Sunday School NO SHIP / MidSHIP	<b>27</b>  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	<b>28</b>  <b>Poinsettia Pick-up by noon</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>12:00 NOON</b> <b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	<b>31</b>  <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	

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**Next Newsletter Deadline:  
Noon, Thursday, December 9, 2010**

**ADVENT 2010  
GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Traditional Services @ 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.  
Contemporary Service @ 9:30 a.m.



- 11/28 Four Views of Jesus Coming: John  
%Christmas is for Children!+
- 12/5 Four Views of Jesus Coming: Mark
- 12/12 Four Views of Jesus Coming: Matthew
- 12/19 Cantata
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Services
  - 4:00 p.m. · Traditional Service
  - 5:30 p.m. · Contemporary Service
  - 7:00 p.m. · Family Service
  - 8:30 p.m. · Traditional Service

*HIS Name Will Be Emmanuel Meaning God with us!*