



ANNOUNCEMENTS

MESSAGE NOTES

We are glad you are worshiping with us today!
*Please take a moment to let us get to know you by filling out a “connection card” (inside cover of the hymnal or on the back table)
Then place it in the offering plate or give to an usher.*

- **Your children are important to us.** We have several resources
- to serve their unique needs -- *Activity Packets* are on the back
- table to use during the service; our *Nursery* is not currently staffed
- but is available for young children and their parents. *Kids Church*
- (K-6th gr.) often takes place during the second half of our service.

December 31, 2017

Prelude *(Please use this time to prepare your heart for worship)*

Call to Worship: Psalm 72:1, 7-15, 17-19

Opening Prayer

#92 “Joy to the World”

Greet One Another

Offering/Offertory

#556 “Doxology” (with chorus)

Pastoral Prayer

Carol #95 “It Came Upon a Midnight Clear”

Scripture Reading: John 1:1-18

Children dismissed for Kids Church

MESSAGE: “GOD IS HERE. NOW. – Word, Life, Truth”

Closing Carol: “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”

Closing Prayer

SUPPORT OUR EC MISSIONARIES! -- TODAY (5th Sunday) is one of our quarterly collections for the EC Missionaries that we’ve committed to support every year. Please give to help continue the work of the Ron & Brenda in Western Europe and Kurt as he trains young people to minister in hostile areas of the Middle East.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (Important!) -- Please plan to join us on NEXT SUNDAY, January 7th. We will be starting the new year with communion together, followed by our annual congregational meeting. At this meeting we will be electing officers for our “interim leadership team” to govern our church over the next year. We will also be approving our budget for 2018.

“THANK YOU” FROM THE ROTHES *“Thank you so much for your generous Christmas gift to our family! We are so blessed by your encouragement, your prayers, and your kindness.”* -- Pastor Kyle and Lori

BECOMING A PEACEMAKING CHURCH We have begun a church-wide initiative to understand and apply what the Bible teaches about managing conflict and finding healing in relationships! Check the back table for resources to help you in learning and applying these principles.

CHURCH SECRETARY NEEDED -- We are currently seeking to hire a new church secretary. This a paid position which would require about 4 hours of time weekly. Please see Pastor Kyle for a job description.

WINTER PICNIC -- Saturday, February 10th at 5pm (yes, in the middle of winter) we are having a church picnic – indoors. Please mark your calendar to join the fun! Contact Leona if you can help with the planning.

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE - Sunday, January 21st at 4pm at Grace UMC, Muir. Join area pastors and church members to worship and pray together as a time of refocusing on Christ at the start of a new year.

WILLIAMS VALLEY FOOD PANTRY – Each month we collect items to help local families through the Williams Valley Food Pantry in Tower City. For DECEMBER we’re collecting Shampoo.

HOMETOWN HEROES – Wiconisco Hometown Heroes committee is honoring Service Men & Women by placing individual banners throughout Wiconisco. Any service members, born, raised, or living in Wiconisco could be honored. Banners are 30” X 60” and available until April 1st. For applications contact Sheila Herb (215-0295) or Melanie Waters (579-1181) or pick one up at Wiconisco’s Post Office, Tax Collector Office, and Thompson’s garage.

“GOD IS HERE. NOW. – Part 2: Word, Life, Truth” [John 1:1-18]

Next Sunday: Communion Service, Congregational Meeting

Happy Birthday Nehemiah Roth (12/31); Apple Ressler (1/16)
Miriam Roth (1/16); Miranda Reece (1/25)

SUNDAY SERVANTS

	<u>Today</u>	<u>January 7th</u>
Greeter:	Gail	Dolly
Offering Counters:	Alice & Gina	Leona & Gail
Prayer Leader:	Leona	Pastor Kyle

THIS WEEK @ FAITH

- Tues. 1pm – Prayer Group
- Wed. 6pm – Praise Band Practice
7pm – Peacemaking Church Group
- Thurs. 8:30am – WV Ministerium Mtg
- Sun. 9:30am – Sunday School
10:30am – Communion Svc
11:15 – Congregational Mtg

UPCOMING EVENTS

Congregational Meeting	January 7
Men's Breakfast	January 20
Indoor Picnic	February 10

PRAYER CONCERNS

OUR MISSION & VISION

“Make disciples who love God and love others”

Faith Deepening through God's Word (Jn. 15:1-11)
Edifying Family as God's People (Ps. 78:2-7, 2 Tim 2:2)
Contagious Freedom in Christ (Ps. 68:5-6; Lk 4:18)

He was created of a mother whom He created. He was carried by hands that He formed. He cried in the manger in wordless infancy, He the Word, without whom all human eloquence is mute. – St. Augustine

*When we were children we were grateful to those who filled our stockings at Christmas time. Why are we not grateful to God for filling our stockings with legs?
-- G.K. Chesterton*

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Budgeted Monthly Income	\$6,317 (\$1,458 per week)
November's Collections	\$5,189 (\$1,298 weekly ave.)
Last Week's Offering	\$1,717



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