



CHRIST'S UNITED'S NEWS & VIEWS

JANUARY 2012

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS

POWER AND POSSIBILITIES

As we enter this new year, we are filled with numerous possibilities for the manner in which we direct our lives. From the perspective of advertising slogans and the prognostications of technocrats, such possibilities are rendered through the marvel of scientific advances and human manipulations, cognitive as well as physical. Within the realm of technology, we are invited to believe with a good amount of assurance that we can know more, live longer, move faster, and achieve what formerly was thought as improbable. In the language of algorithms, nanoseconds, and quantum space, the future is there for our taking.

A much different perspective of future possibility is offered through a vastly different way of believing, believing that our lives as well as our possibilities lay in the hands and promises of a powerful and gracious God. The apostle Paul asserted that God has "put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come" (Ephesians 1:20-21).

Faith in the power of God working in Christ does not suggest that we should in any perceivable way be unscientific and decry technological advances for which we all benefit immensely. It is simply a matter of understanding where and how this power originates and delineating the trajectory and destination of such possibilities. In a proper sense, it is about asking about the purpose and goals of our scientific explorations and technological maneuvering. Again, the apostle Paul offered this wise counsel, "for we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life" (Ephesians 2:10). The possibilities gained by these "good works" of scientific and technological hypotheses and experimentation certainly improve the human condition in many ways, but they do not "save" us; they may give us a taste of longevity but not of the eternal. That power rests solely with God and is given to us in grace: "For by grace (we) have been saved through faith, and this is not (our) doing; it is the gift of God- not the result of (human) works, so that no one may boast" (Ephesians 2:8-9).

I invite you to join with me to further explore and study Paul's letter to the Ephesians as we engage the intersection of the power of God and the possibilities that are revealed to us through our "good works in Christ Jesus." Join us for Bible study Monday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Hope to see you there.

--Pastor John

BIBLE STUDIES



Paul's letter to the Ephesians will be the topic of the Bible study that will begin in January. Dates and times are as follows:

10:30 a.m.
January 9
January 16
January 23
January 30

7:00 p.m.
January 11
January 18
January 25

CHURCH COUNCIL COMMUNIQUÉ

Communication to the congregation from the December 20 council meeting:

1. There will be one Sunday church service, starting on 10:15 a.m., for the 4th service in January (January 22).
2. A single 9:00 a.m. church service will be held during all Sundays in Lent (February 26 through April 1, Palm Sunday).
3. Council is seeking interested church members to serve a one-year term on the church council. Any church member willing to serve for an appointed one-year term should contact a current council member.



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*"There are two seasonal diversions that can ease the bite of any winter.
One is the January thaw. The other is the seed catalogues."
(Hal Borland)*

2012 BANQUET SCHEDULE

There are two banquets scheduled for January:



January 21
5:30 p.m.
Penns Creek Go Kart Assn

January 28
6:30 p.m.
Buffalo Valley Sportsmens Club

Help will be needed in both the dining room and kitchen. Watch the bulletin board across from the sanctuary for sign-up sheets for dining room help. If you are able to help in the kitchen, talk to Shirley Kerstetter.

Cakes will also be needed for these banquets. If you are able to provide one or two, sign up on the attached form or talk to Shirley. All help is greatly appreciated

BANQUET CAKES

I will provide a cake(s) for the following banquet(s). Please list number to be provided

_____ **January 21**
5:30 p.m.
Penns Creek Go Kart Assn

_____ **January 28**
6:30 p.m.
Buffalo Valley Sportsmens Club

Signed _____
Telephone _____

WANTED



The Adult Sunday School class would like donations of greeting cards..."Get Well," "Thinking Of You," "Sympathy" or blank ones. If you have any to donate, drop them off in the office or give them to Kathy Spangler.

YARD SALE



We are collecting items for a Yard Sale to be held sometime in February. At this time we are just in the planning stage, but you are invited to begin putting items for the yard sale in the room beside the choir room. More information will be forthcoming. In the meantime if you have questions, talk to Wendy Doeblner.

COOKBOOK UPDATE

NOW ACCEPTING RECIPES



We are continuing to submit recipes into the cookbook data base. Thanks to all who have submitted recipes for the cookbook. If you have any additional recipes you wish to include, please make sure we have them A.S.A.P.

It is expected that the cost of a cookbook will be \$10.00. There is a form at the bottom of the recipe submission form to reserve copies of the cookbook. This will help us to determine how many cookbooks to order. Recipe submission forms can be handed in to Margie at the church office. If you have any questions, call Kim Blyler.

Recipe submission forms are available on the bulletin stand in the hallway, on the stand in the vestibule, and in this newsletter. Please submit as many recipes as you would like (the more the better). You do not have to use the "official" form, however we would like recipes to be submitted in a similar format. We welcome recipes from church members and friends alike.

BLANKET KNOTTING WORKDAYS

It's Quilting time at Christ's United again!



We need help making our quilts for Lutheran World Relief. There are many skills needed to put the quilts together. If you can't use a sewing machine we still can use your help. You can help by, ironing, cutting patches, laying out patches to make a top, help tie knots in the quilts, help pin tops, middles and bottoms together or just come and visit with the quilt makers.

We are meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month from 8:30 to 11:00. You don't have to be there the whole time. Come when you can and leave when you must.

Hope to see you on January 10th in the fellowship hall.

Clean fabric and filling (new or used from old sheets, clothing, etc.) for the quilts are always welcome. Also, don't throw out that old mattress pad. Bring it to the church and it can be used for filler for the quilts.

If you want more information talk to Judy Mecouch or Georgetta Bowes.

HELP WANTED



We are looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:

1. Coordinator of funeral meals

When a family makes a request to have a meal following a funeral, we need someone to coordinate the lunch. If you are willing to do this, talk to Pastor John or Margie.

2. Baby News Correspondent

When a new baby is born to a member of the congregation, the responsibility of the baby news correspondent is to contact the family and get “vital statistics” and then write a short article for the newsletter. Talk to Margie if you would like to tackle this position.

3. Greeters, Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Ushers and Sound System Operators.

Our list of people willing to do these jobs keeps dwindling. Will you help? Sign up on the attached “volunteer form” and drop them on Margie’s desk or put them in the offering plate.

HOPE’S HAVEN



Hope’s Haven has a great need for men’s clothing, as well as all sizes of women’s pants. If you or anyone you know can help fill the need, put the items in the hallway outside of the Hope’s Haven room.

PHOTO SOUGHT



Lois Aikey Bokano is seeking a picture of the Swengel church before it became a residence. She has family members buried in several of the local cemeteries and is trying to get a picture of all of the churches connected with those cemeteries. She has managed to obtain pictures of all but Swengel.

If you have a picture of the church that she could copy, contact her at 75 Sheltie Lane, Millmont, Pa. 17845 or sheltiemom@windstream.net

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A female’s definition of “eternity”—the last two minutes of a football game.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Offering Envelopes

The 2012 offering envelopes are on a table in the hallway. Please stop by and pick up your box if you have not already done so. It would be helpful if you would take a neighbor's or relative's who might be unable to pick up his/her own, as well.

Altar Flower Chart

The 2012 altar flower chart is now on the bulletin board outside of the office. If you would like to sponsor flowers some Sunday in 2012 you can sign up any time. As of this printing, dates that are still available are:

February 5, 12, 19
May 6, 13, 27
August 5, 12
November 4, 11, 25

March 4, 11, 18
June 3, 10, 17
September 2, 23, 30
December 2, 30

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
October 14, 28

Volunteers Sought

We are in need of volunteers to help with Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Ushers and Sound System helpers. Would you like to volunteer? If you are willing to help, please talk to Idella Zimmerman or complete the form in the bulletin or the newsletter and place in the offering plate.

Communions

Communions for all confirmed members must be recorded in the parish register annually. If you do not commune on a regular basis, we ask that you fill out a communion record card (one per year is all we need) so we know you have communed. The cards are located in the racks on the back of the pews. Cards may be put in the offering plate or handed to an usher.

Memorabilia

The following memorabilia items are still available for anyone interested in purchasing anything:

Wooden Miniatures of the Church - \$10.00
Church Prints - \$20.00
Blankets - \$10.00
Christmas Cards - \$10.00
12 cards per box feature a winter picture of the church

Talk to Bev Catherman if you have questions about, or would like to purchase, any of these items.

Informants Wanted

We like to publish news about our members in the newsletter, but we need your help to do so. If you know of interesting information about any of our members (youth or adult), i.e. an award or recognition, a funny tale or exciting adventure, please let Margie know about it so we can include it in an issue of Christ's United's News & Views.

Do We Have Your E-Mail Address?

If you have an e-mail address that you have never given to us or if it has changed, please fill out the following and drop it off on Margie's desk or give her a call.

Name _____

E-Mail Address _____

Have a Favorite Hymn?

Over the past few years, some of you have been requesting favorite hymns and gospel songs and for that we give many thanks. Because of U.S. copyright laws, we do not have permission to reproduce or copy many of our favorites. You may choose selections from the following hymnals: Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW), Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW) and With One Voice (WOV). We are also permitted to use hymns that are in the "Public Domain". It's all very complicated. So, keep your suggestions coming and the Worship and Music Committee will be happy to sort out and use all of your suggestions that copyright laws permit. Please put the title or first line of your song(s) on a piece of paper and give it to Margie, or any member of the Worship and Music Committee (Bev Catherman, Paula Christy, Gary Hackenberg, Judy Mecouch, Barry Spangler, or Idella Zimmerman).

Hymn Request

Fellowship Committee Request

The fellowship committee would like input from the members of the congregation regarding what social/fellowship activities they would like to have. If you have any suggestions, drop a note on Margie's desk.

Fellowship Events

Building & Ground Needs

Do you know of any physical problems (or potential problems) that should be addressed by our property committee? Your insight is important. Maybe you have seen something that no one else has noticed yet. You can talk to Pastor John, any council member or Margie if you know of something that needs attention, or fill out the following and put it on Margie's desk or in the offering plate.

Building & Ground Needs:

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain, please fill out the following and return it to Margie

How does the prayer chain work? When a prayer request is received, that request is passed on to the second person on the prayer chain who in turn passes it on to the third person, the third person to the fourth, and so on. When and how you pray is up to you.

Prayer Chain Calling List

I would like to be included on the prayer chain calling list.

Name _____

Telephone Number _____

Ongoing Collections

(Collection boxes are in the hallway)

(1) Haven Ministry

Packaged & Canned Food Items - Personal Hygiene Items - Cleaning Supplies

(2) Rock Point Mission

UPC codes and box tops from:

Campbell's - Franco American - Pepperidge Farm – Swanson - Market Day - V-8 Juices

PLEASE NOTE!! There has been a change in what Campbell's is accepting in the label redemption program. They are now taking only the UPC CODE piece from the label and box tops, not the front label.

(3) Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition

Paper Towels	Large Size Diapers	Baby Car Items
Prepaid Phone Cards	Toilet Paper	Clorox
Gift Certificates to Department Stores	Laundry Detergent	60 Watt Light Bulbs
AA and AAA Batteries	"Sippy" Cups	First Aid Ointment
Sterile Pads	First Aid Foam/Waterproof Tape	Alcohol Swabs
Children's Tylenol	Children's Motrin	Comtrex
Freezer Bags: Quart & Gallon Size	Robitussin CF & DM	Advil Cold and Sinus
Cling Wrap & Aluminum Foil	Garbage Bags: Kitchen; Lawn & Garden	

(4) The Shriners

Can Tabs

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A SELF EXAMINATION FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

WHAT KIND of church would my church be if every person were just like me?

HOW MANY worship services would we have had this year if everyone had stayed at home when I did?

HOW MANY times would an evening service or program have been omitted if no one had gone except when I was there?

HOW MANY times would the Sunday school have met if they had met only when I attended?

HOW MUCH Christian instruction would the children of our community receive if everyone showed as much interest in it as I do?

HOW MANY of my neighbors would have been invited to worship or welcomed into the church if everyone invited as many as I have?

HOW MANY prayers would have been offered for my pastor, the church staff, my neighbors, my church?

HOW MANY words of faith would have been shared with others?

WHAT KIND of church would my church be—if every person were just like me.

(The NEWSLETTER Newsletter)



NEWS OF MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Awards & Recognitions

Pauline Gemberling was a member of Millersville University's Association of Technology Management and applied Engineering Robotics Team that was recently awarded for their robot Millersville's Automatic Color-sorter with Dedicated Active Dual-drive Integration or MAC DADI, at the 2011 ATMAE National Conference held November 9-12 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Millersville University's Robotics Team spent the last year developing MAC DADI; a custom robot designed to retrieve colored ping pong balls, sort them and deliver them to designated drop off locations.

Deaths

Our family of faith is saddened upon the death of **Theodore 'Pete' Catherman** who passed away on December 3 at Evangelical Hospital. Pete and his wife, Carolyn, were original members of Christ's United. Surviving, in addition to his wife of 69 years, are one daughter, Carol A. McJilton, of Mifflinburg; one son, Forrest L. and his wife Denise McClintock, of Catawissa; three grandchildren, Karla R. and her husband, Jeff Benfer, of Winfield, Scott McJilton and his girlfriend Veronica Hudon, of Mifflinburg, and Shawn McClintock of Catawissa; four great-grandchildren, Sean, Garrett, and Katelyn Benfer, and Gabrielle McClintock; one adored niece, Barb and husband Roger Miller, of Penns Creek; and numerous nieces and nephews.

We will also be missing the fellowship of a dear brother, **Wilbur Ritter**, who passed away on December 17. We offer our deepest sympathy to his family members, including his wife, Louise, son and daughter-in-law, Larry & Linda Ritter of Summerville, S.C., and daughter and son-in-law, Cindy & Danny Sakievich, of Pensacola, Fl. He is also survived by one sister and numerous nieces and nephews.

Our sympathies are warmly extended to **Josephine Haggy & Wendy Doeblor** upon the death of their brother/great-uncle, Forrest Emery, on December 5.

We also offer our sincerest condolences to **Judy Mecouch** following the death of her mother, Dorothy Huber, on December 13.

Our condolences are also extended to **Doug Gemberling** after the death of his uncle, Clarence Gemberling, Jr., on December 26.

Please keep these families in your prayers as they deal with their loss.

Anniversaries

January

7 – Jim & Florence Boop (1955)
19 – Donald & Phyllis Ruhl (1972)
30 – Kevin & Kelli Baker (1993)

Birthdays

January

1 Robert Rantz
Wendy VonNeida
Laura Welker (Luke & Debbie)
3 Wayne Doeblen
Patricia Kahler (Mrs. Paul)
4 Constance Wagner
6 David Reed
Betty Wallace (Mrs. Orvis)
Emily Zartman (Tony & Wendy)
7 Florence Boop (Mrs. Jim)
15 Dennis Boop, Jr. (Dennis & Tammy)
16 Wayne Kline
Janice Wagner (Mrs. Lance)
Miranda Zimmerman (Chris & Tammy)
17 Sally Kline (Mrs. Terry)
Lonnie Leach
Lee Spangler
18 Nicholas Shively
19 Hannah Blyler (Joel & Amy)
23 Avery Blyler (Joel & Amy)
Sterling Crone
24 Randy Lyons
25 Natalie Harvey (Zachary & Abigail)
John Smith
26 Erna Wolfe
27 Stacey Campbell (Mrs. Michael)
John Stamm, Sr.
28 Mary Erdley
31 Joy Diehl
Jason Duke
Rebecca Dunkle
Krista Emery

Remember In Thought and Prayer

Please help us keep our prayer list current by letting us know of any names that should be added or removed

Our Members

Jim Boop
Shirley Kerstetter
Diane Reamer
Carl 'Bup' Sampsell
John Stamm, Jr.

Alan Haggy
Dottie Rathfon
Alice Reitz
June Spangler
Debra Wilson

Our Friends & Relatives

Daryl Baumgardner
Bill Beebe
Diane Brown
Kristi Dukes
Sara Earnest
Mary Gonzales
Eleanor Hackenburg
Becky Hagenbauch
Linda Katherman
Earl Kratzer
Michelle Kerstetter
Harry Moyer
Mike Osgood
John Renninger
Brandi Schlieff
Shirley Smith
Barbara Trantham
Joe Weisser
Emajean Whitmoyer
Ed Zimmerman

Deb Beaverson
Karla Benfer
Joanne Brown
Bob Earnest
Tara Ensminger
Becky Greeney
Michelle Hackenburg
Richard Harvey
Jeff Kerstetter
Trey Love
Candy Mitchell
David Noblit
Zachary Prochasko
Fred Schlenker
Bev Shreffler
Crystal Tice
Betty Walter
Sharon Wert
Pat Yount

Our Shut-Ins

Carolyn Bowersox
Carolyn Catherman
Margaret Himes
Bob & Betty Lauf
Richard Schnure
Ethel Wenrich

Merrill Buoy
Mary Erdley
Sally Kenamond
Harold Sampsell
Connie Wagner
Erna Wolfe

The Men and Women Serving In the Military

Brandi Gemberling
Tristan Roupp

David Huston



IN THE MAILBAG

Buffalo Valley Singers invites choral singers to join for our Spring concert season. Weekly Monday rehearsals begin January 23 @ 7 p.m. at St. John's United Church of Christ, 1050 Buffalo Rd. (Rt 192), Lewisburg. No auditions necessary.

The concerts will be Sat. March 31st at 7:30 p.m., Sun. April 1st at 3 p.m.; Sat. May 19th at 7:30 p.m., Sun. May 20th at 3 p.m. and tentatively Sun. May 27th. BVS will also participate in Evangelical Hospital's annual Hospice memorial service Apr. 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

Director is Tom Ruhl and piano accompanist is Connie Pawling-Young. See www.buffalovalleysingers.blogspot.com or call Joe Keller no later than January 9th at 524-0717 to join. We hope to see you there!

Contact Judy Patton at 966-4770 with questions. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Buffalo Valley Singers

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A mom was concerned about her kindergarten son walking to school. He didn't want his mother to walk with him. She wanted to give him the feeling that he had some independence but yet know that he was safe. So she had an idea of how to handle it. She asked a neighbor if she would please follow him to school in the mornings, staying at a distance, so he probably wouldn't notice her. She said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed. The next school day, the neighbor and her little girl set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbor girl he knew. She did this for the whole week. As the two walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs, Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week. Finally she said to Timmy, "Have you noticed that lady following us to school all week?"

"Do you know her?" Timmy nonchalantly replied, "Yeah, I know who she is." The little girl said, "Well, who is she?" "That's just Shirley Goodnest," Timmy replied, "and her daughter Marcy." "Shirley Goodnest? Who the heck is she and why is she following us?" "Well," Timmy explained, "every night my Mom makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, 'cuz she worries about me so much. And in the Psalm, it says, 'Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life', so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!"



COMMUNITY EVENTS

CAMP MOUNT LUTHER

FLOOD SU

January 14, 2012

4:00-7:00 p.m.

Camp Mount Luther and the Upper Susquehanna Synod Youth Council present FLOOD SU: Friends Living Out Our Discipleship at Susquehanna University. This annual event will be held at the Field House at Susquehanna University. Doors open at 3:45 p.m. The event is open to youth in grades 4 through 12. Cost is \$5 if registered by Tuesday, January 3, 2012; \$10 at the door, with free admission for adult chaperones. It is requested that adult chaperones have their PA State Police Criminal Background and Childline Child Abuse Clearances. Each congregation should provide one adult (21 or over) for every seven youth.

Mount Luther Sunday

January 15, 2012

Members of the congregations of the Upper Susquehanna Synod are asked to celebrate outdoor ministries on this day. The Upper Susquehanna Synod Council has designated that the third Sunday in January each year be "Mount Luther Sunday" to help promote outdoor ministries in the synod. The camp is asking that congregations promote the camp on that Sunday or designate another Sunday this spring to do so. Ways to promote the camp include bulletin inserts to share with congregation members, Temple Talks, camper testimonials, bulletin board displays, special camp music during Sunday school and church services, as well as special offering being collected.

Annual Camperson Event at Mount Luther

January 22, 2012

3:00 p.m.

This event gives participants the chance to find out what's going on at camp and tell the story to others! It will be held at the Evergreen Center at Mount Luther. Each congregation in the Upper Susquehanna Synod is asked to send a representative to the event. Campersons serve as liaisons between the camp and the congregation, promoting outdoor ministries. Each congregation who sends a camperson to this meeting will receive \$15 off each of their church's camper registrations.

More information on all these events can be found at www.campmountluther.org



NOTES OF APPRECIATION

THANK YOU TO...

...Sam & Shirley Diehl for providing the greens and the Christmas tree that were in our sanctuary this Christmas season.

...All the helpers that helped decorate the church for the holiday season.

...Everyone who provided a poinsettia for our Christmas Eve service

...The children who participated in the Christmas Eve service. And thank you, also, to the parents who brought them to, and who helped with the rehearsals.

...**Maurice Clouser & Eugene Hassinger** for the work they have been doing in the kitchen.

...*Thank you for your kindness. Thanks for all cards, prayers and especially Pastor John.*
--Dottie Rathfon

...**Thank You! Thank You!** We would like to express a huge "Thank You" to everyone that has helped with the banquets. We would not be able to have the banquets without your dependability and willingness to help in the kitchen and dining room. And who could forget all the cake bakers! Thank you all so much.

--Shirley & Bev

This is to say Thank you to everyone who helped at the meal after my father's funeral "Forrest Emery." It was very nice and it was very helpful. Thank you again.

--Darlene Endy

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*While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage.
The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor,
because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign...
"Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust."
(submitted by Gary Hackenberg)*

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

PASTOR JOHN, MINDY & THEIR FAMILY, our minister and his family

TOM CATHERMAN, our custodian

BEV CATHERMAN & DON FORNWALT, Tom's helpers

KIM BLYLER, BEV CATHERMAN, DREW CHRISTY, WENDY DOEBLER, DOUG GEMBERLING, DAVE REED, DOUG SHAFFER, BARRY SPANGLER, LEE SPANGLER, STELLA WALTERS, DEBRA WILSON, IDELLA ZIMMERMAN, 2011 council members

DREW CHRISTY, DAVE REED, DOUG SHAFFER & IDELLA ZIMMERMAN our outgoing council members for their past year(s) of service

TOM CATHERMAN, our incoming council members for volunteering to serve.

PAULA CHRISTY & GARY HACKENBERG, organists

DIANE VALENTINE & KAREN ZIMMERMAN, pianists

BARRY SPANGLER & DAVE SWARTZ, digital music arrangers

DIANNE SHUCK, treasurer

JANET HACKENBERG & GREG SHUCK, assistant treasurers

AL PANTALEO, for helping with the finances

SHIRLEY KERSTETTER, meal coordinator

MARIE VONNEIDA, funeral meal coordinator

KIM BLYLER, for donating his computer skills when help is needed

FLORENCE BOOP, for helping to count the offering and coordinating the bloodmobile and coffee hours

MEDA STRUBLE & MARIE VONNEDIA, for folding the weekly bulletins

DIANE VALENTINE, baby news correspondent

JUNE WENRICH, for serving as Sunday school superintendent and for taking care of the candles

JANICE WAGNER, for coordinating the poinsettia orders

PATTY EMERY, for maintaining the memorial book

EUGENE & KATHERINE HASSINGER, for mailing Christmas cards to visitors

BARBARA CLOUSER, for scheduling greeters

JEANNE SAMPSELL, for preparing & mailing servicemen's packages

IDELLA ZIMMERMAN, for scheduling lay helpers

MYRON SAMPSELL, for repairing broken chairs

JOHN STAMM, JR., for coordinating the West End Fair stand & chairing food preparation functions

KIM BLYLER & AL PANTALEO for updating the sign in the front yard

SHIRLEY KERSTETTER & JOHN STAMM, JR., for coordinating the potpie suppers

MAURICE CLOUSER, for coordinating the Chicken Barbecue

BEV CATHERMAN & SHIRLEY KERSTETTER, for coordinating the stand at the Christkindl Market

BARBARA GRIMMORIS, for sharpening pew pencils, replacing communion cards, etc.

MAURICE CLOUSER, STERLING CRONE, EUGENE HASSINGER AND ALL OTHERS who make repairs and help with the upkeep of the facility

THE LEACH FAMILY, for sharing fresh vegetables and fruit with our Hope's Haven families

SUE PANTALEO, for organizing visits to our shut-ins

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL LEADERS, HELPERS & PARTICIPANTS

HOPE'S HAVEN'S COORDINATORS & VOLUNTEERS AND ALL WHO HAVE DONATED FOOD, CLOTHING, HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND MONETARY SUPPORT

DINING ROOM COORDINATORS & SERVERS

KITCHEN HELPERS

DISHWASHERS

CHOIR MEMBERS

SOLOISTS & MUSICIANS

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS & MEMBERS

YOUTH LEADERS, DRIVERS & CHAPERONES

WORKDAY VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

YARD SALE COORDINATORS, HELPERS AND ALL WHO DONATE TO IT

BLANKET KNOTTING DAY PARTICIPANTS

FLOWER SPONSORS

**ALL WHO HELP WITH THE CHICKEN BARBECUE, CHRISTKINDL MARKET, BANQUETS,
FUNERAL & COMMUNITY MEALS AND THE WEST END FAIR**

ADVENT BREAKFAST HELPERS

ELIJAH'S TABLE ORGANIZERS, COOKS & HELPERS

ACOLYTES

DECORATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

HALLOWEEN PARTY & EASTER EGG HUNT COORDINATORS, HELPERS & PARTICIPANTS

EASTER EGG/BON BON MIXERS, SHAPERS, DIPPERS & PACKAGERS

LAY READERS

GREETERS

SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS

COMMUNION HELPERS

USHERS

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS

CHILDREN'S CHURCH HELPERS

COFFEE HOUR HOSTESSES

NEWSLETTER CORRELATORS

BREAKFAST ORGANIZERS, COOKS & SERVERS

DISHWASHER FUND CONTRIBUTORS

BLOODMOBILE DONORS & HELPERS

ADVENT FAMILY DAY COORDINATORS & PARTICIPANTS

PUBLIC SALE STAND HELPERS

THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO PROVIDE BAKED GOODS AND FOOD DONATIONS FOR ANY
EVENT WE HAVE

THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION WHO GIVE OF THEMSELVES
ANONYMOUSLY

***And...EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTS C.U.L.C.
THROUGH THEIR GIFTS OF TIME, TALENT & MONEY***

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IT ALL DEPENDS ON THE HANDS

*A basketball in my hands is worth about \$19.
A basketball in Michael Jordan's hands is worth about \$33 million.
It depends whose hands it's in.*

*A baseball in my hands is worth about \$6.
A baseball in Roger Clemens' hands is worth \$19 million.
It depends whose hands it's in.*

*A tennis racket is useless in my hands,
A tennis racket in Pete Sampras' hands is a Wimbledon Championship.
It depends whose hands it's in.*

*A rod in my hands will keep away a wild animal.
A rod in Moses' hands will part the mighty sea.
It depends whose hand it's in.*

*A sling shot in my hand is a kid's toy.
A sling shot in David's hand is a mighty weapon.
It depends whose hand it's in.*

*Two fish and 5 loaves of bread in my hands is a couple of fish sandwiches.
Two fish and 5 loaves of bread in God's Hands will feed thousands.
It depends whose hands it's in.*

*Nails in my hands might produce a birdhouse.
Nails in Jesus Christ's Hands will produce salvation for the entire world.
It depends whose hands it's in.*

*As you see now, it depends whose hands it's in. So put your concerns, your worries, your fears, your hopes, your
dreams, your families and your relationships in God's Hands because ---It depends whose hands it's in ---.*

ALTAR GUILD

Bev Catherman
Janet Hileman
Louise Ritter

USHERS

Tom Catherman, Capt.
Don Fornwalt



JANUARY

SOUND SYSTEM

Lee Spangler

10:15 GREETERS

1 – Doug & Pearl & Gemberling
8 – Ron & Darlene Ulrich
15 - Linda Smith
22 - Ben Wenrich
29 – Maurice & Barb Clouser

LAY READERS

8:00 a.m.

1 - No Service
8 – Duane Miller
15 – Glenn Spangler
22 – No Service
29 – Jonna Zimmerman

COMMUNION HELPERS

8:00 a.m.

1 - No Service
8 – Steve Moyer
15 – Glenn Spangler
22 – No Service
29 – Judy Moyer

MUSIC PROVIDERS

8:00 a.m.

1 –No Service
8– Dave Swartz
15 – Dave Swartz
22 – No Service
29 – Gary Hackenberg

LAY READERS

10:15 a.m.

1 – Drew Christy
8 – Florence Boop
15 – Audrey Crone
22 – Janet Hackenberg
29 – Barry Spangler

COMMUNION HELPERS

10:15 a.m.

1 – Judy Mecouch
8 – Janice Wagner
15 – Dianne Shuck
22 – Janet Hackenberg
29 – Bev Catherman

MUSIC PROVIDERS

10:15 a.m.

1– Paula Christy
8 – Diane Valentine
15– Paula Christy
22 – Gary Hackenberg
29 – Gary Hackenberg

REMINDER

1. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING A SUBSTITUTE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE HERE WHEN SCHEDULED.
2. ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS, SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS & USHERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY SPECIAL SERVICES SCHEDULED DURING THE MONTH.

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THE DEADLINE FOR
ARTICLES FOR THE

FEBRUARY

NEWSLETTER IS:

JANUARY 23

**PLEASE CALL THE
CHURCH OFFICE...**

- ...when a member of your family is sick or is admitted to the hospital, so that visits can be made and the proper people notified.
- ...when your phone number is changed, so the church records can be corrected.
- ...when you move—out of town or locally.
- ...when a new baby arrives in your family or in the family of another church member.
- ...when a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.
- ...when a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- ...when your class or group plans to have a meeting, so that it can be cleared and placed on the church calendar.
- ...when something good happens to you or your family.
- ...when you feel the church can assist you in any way.

<p>Please use this form for your recipes. To avoid errors, please type or neatly print your recipes and double check for completeness and accuracy. Thank You!</p> <p>PLEASE USE APPROPRIATE ABBREVIATIONS</p> <p>teaspoon = tsp. tablespoon = tbsp.. cup = c. quart = qt. ounce = oz. pint = pt. gallon = gal. inch = in. pound = lb. Fahrenheit = F</p>	<p>Our Cookbook contains the following categories. We will sort the recipes accordingly. Please check the category in which you want your recipe to appear.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Appetizers & Beverages <input type="checkbox"/> Soups & Salads <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetables & Side Dishes <input type="checkbox"/> Main Dishes <input type="checkbox"/> Breads, Rolls & Muffins <input type="checkbox"/> Cakes & Desserts <input type="checkbox"/> Cookies, Bars & Candy <input type="checkbox"/> Allergen Free <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetic <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> This & That
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METHOD (BE SURE TO INDICATE CONTAINER SIZE, OVEN TEMPERATURE AND COOKING TIME)

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Your Name: _____ Number of Cookbooks to reserve: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

January 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:00am Service of Word & Sacrament 9:00am Sunday School 10:15am Service of Word & Sacrament	2	3	4 10:00am Hope's Haven	5	6	7
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