

THE LAMP

A Newsletter of The Juniata Valley Shared Ministry

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THOUGHTS FROM THE PASTOR



You may notice as you look through this newsletter that it is much thinner than usual. Why is that? Well because we're in the in-between – the gap between Epiphany and Lent. It is also known as ordinary time. I sort of hate that word ORDINARY..it implies boredom – slow moving, nothing happening.

That is not what ORDINARY time is in the life of the church. Ordinary – is actually extraordinary because even in the ordinary we reflect on God's miraculous love for us and the gift of His son. God is still working, God is still moving, God is still being God in the midst of the 'ordinary.'

Last Sunday we celebrated the arrival of the Magi and contemplated little steps we can take in our lives to move continually into God's newness. That's not ordinary! This Sunday we remember the baptism of Jesus. Why did Jesus need to be baptized? What does this tell us about our own baptisms? Baptism – and the declaration 'you are my beloved' is not ordinary.

In fact as you look through our newsletter – some very extraordinary things are continuing to go on:



1/21 Team Travels to Bethesda Mission



Sunday Schools



Worship



Praying for a Cure Yard Sale – that supports the American Cancer Society



LENT

Planning for Lent has already started: including events for kids, a mission project and special worship services.

These are all ordinary things – we do them every Sunday, every year – but they are made extraordinary in the ministry, outreach and the touching of lives with God's love that is anything but ordinary!

HAPPY ORDINARY TIME!

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DEACONS

Jason Barlup

Linda Bitting

Jessica Bryson

Karen Turner

Kim Drum

Austin Neidigh

Elaine Buffington

Melissa Neidigh

HIGHLAND UNITED

JANUARY GREETERS, USHERS, ACOLYTES, LAY READERS, AND COMMUNION TEAM

Jan .	5	Greeter	Joseph Frank
		Ushers	Michael and Michelle Byers
		Lay Reader	Gail Frank
	12	Acolytes	Lucas Zaring, Riley Babski
		Greeter	Pam Adams
		Ushers	Linda Bitting
	19	Lay Reader	Patrick McIntyre
		Acolytes	
		Greeter	Darla Page
	26	Ushers	Linda Bitting, Sherry Rolston
		Lay Reader	Nancy Campbell
		Acolytes	CJ Bryan, Max Pascoe
	26	Greeter	Pat Mary Horting
		Ushers	Elaine Buffington, Janice Zaring
		Lay Reader	Kathy Smith
		Acolytes	Logan Bates, Aiken Smith



Jan.	2	Pam Adams
	5	Lindsay Anderson
	7	Emily McGowan
	10	Robert Rolston
	12	Glenda Dillman
	15	Gwen Babski
	24	Ryan Tressler
	25	Mary Horting
	26	Pat Shutt
	27	James Myers
	29	Kimberlee Drum
		Sean Robinson
	30	Wilma Klingensmith

ANNIVERSARIES	
Jan.	
	1 Robert and Nancy Campbell
	25 Richard and Wendy Brunner



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HIGHLAND UNITED CONTINUED



THE DEACONS
will be the host of the Coffee
and Snack
Fellowship Time for the month
of
JANUARY

February Coffee Hour:

- Feb. 2 Cindy McHenry
- Feb. 9 Need Help
- Feb. 16 Need Help
- Feb. 23 Don and Linda Barlup

DEACONS COFFEE HOUR FOR JANUARY: January 5-Jessica Bryson, January 12-Melissa and Austin Neidigh, January 19-Linda Bitting and Elaine Buffington, January 26- Kimberlee Drum and Karen Turner

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER’S LIST FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

January	5	Kathy Sanderson	Pam Adams/Heather McClure	Jessica Bryson
January	12	Linda Bitting	Pam Adams Neidigh Family	Neidigh Family
January	19	Linda Barlup	Pam Adams Becky Wudtke	Patrick McIntyre
January	26	Kim Drum	Pam Adams Susan Robinson	Maggie Pascoe

HIGHLAND UNITED FINANCES:

General Fund

October	Income	Expenses	Residual
	\$ 6,091.75	\$ 7,689.34	\$ (1,597.59)
November	Income	Expenses	Residual
	\$ 7,829.08	\$ 5,886.75	\$ 1,942.33
December - Projected			
December	Income	Expenses	Residual
	\$ 7,041.33	\$ 8,496.50	\$ (1,455.17)



CHRISTMAS STOCKING UPDATE: Highland’s older children decorated and filled Christmas stockings for service men/women over seas. We asked for contributions to fill 20 stockings but had so many generous people donating we exceeded that amount. We probably doubled that amount. In addition to our active service people the youth also wrote a note in Christmas Cards for service members who are now in Perry County nursing homes. To many times these people are forgotten. So the children wrote messages thanking them for their service and wishing them a Merry Christmas.

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DEACONS

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Nancy Sweger

Sally Tengeres

January Liturgists: 5 Sharon Delancey 12 Tom Ulsh 19 Lori Comp
26 Sharon Delancey

January Greeters: 5 Donald McClure 12 Sharon Delancey 19 Nancy Sweger 26 Linda Sanderson

PRAYER CONCERNS: Bob Sweger, Dave Foose, Helen Herr Atticks, all of our Church family, our community and country.



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DISCOUNT CARDS AVAILABLE TO BUY AND SELL! We are selling discount cards that offer discounts to some of your favorite places to eat and shop, such as Butcher's, Sharar's and Hall's. Many of the discounts last a year and cards are only \$5. Sell them to your friends and neighbors! Let's all work together to make this fundraiser a huge success!

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Michelle Parks

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Bret Satzler

Roger Parks

Shade Parks

Robert Gill

Kit Parks—
Cemetery Treasurer



WESTMINSTER UNITED

FOR THE MONTH JANUARY

January Lector: William Eichenberger

January Ushers/Greeters: Jan and Steve Manbeck

January Nursery Attendants 5 BJ Doray and Kerri Lentz 12 Shelly Horning
19 Meghan Geedey 26 Jody Satzler

January Birthdays: 12 Robert Zeak 13 Jeff Dowling 15 Janice Swab 20 Judd Parks
27 Terry Dolin 28 Gabriel Digon 30 Tyson Keister 31 Barbara Koppenhaver

January Anniversaries: None



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR JANUARY—ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS; TISSUES; TOILET PAPER; OVER-THE COUNTER PAIN, COLD AND FLU MEDICINES; COUGH DROPS, VICKS; AND ANY HOUSEHOLD CLEANING ITEMS. DONATIONS OF CASH AND GIFT CARDS TO PURCHASE THESE SUPPLIES ARE ALSO GLADLY ACCEPTED.



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PERRY VALLEY IS SELLING DISCOUNT CARDS. On each card are discounts at some of your favorite places to eat and shop, such as Butcher's, Sharar's and Hall's. Many of the discounts are good for a year! Cards can be purchased from Linda Bitting at HUPC and Diane Marshall at Westminster. Each card is only \$5!

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA WORLD HUNGER ASSOCIATION: This is the 46th canning year for our association. We are scheduled to can on February 10-13, 2020 at the East Derry Fire Company, which is located at 1800 Glenwood Avenue, 2.2 miles north on Route 522 from the 322 & 522 interchange in Lewistown, PA. We are canning 34,000 pounds of turkey, that's over 21,000 cans of meat. We again thank you for helping to make this all possible.

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JUNIATA VALLEY SHARED MINISTRY



PASTOR NANCY'S OFFICE HOURS

Highland United:	Tuesday 9:00-12:00	Thursday 9:00-12:00	Makes visitations in afternoons
Perry Valley:	As Needed	Makes visitations in afternoons	
Westminster:	Tuesday 1:00-4:00	Wednesday 9:00-12:00	

SECRETARY'S HOURS:

Highland United:	Tuesday 8:00-12:00	Thursday 8:00-2:00	Friday 8:00-12:00
Perry Valley	N/A		
Westminster:	Wednesday 8:00-5:00	Friday 7:30-12:30	

Please keep in prayer our church members and our friends:

Angie Barlup, Peg Tressler, Sherry Rolston, Les Weibley, Pat McGowan, Ed Wright, Carrol Hench, Janet Clark, Robert Rolston, Lois Graybill, Art Sylvester, Jessica Bryson, Colton Cook, Richard Brunner, Jason Barlup, Carlen McClure, Martha Beatty (at William Penn, Lewistown), Fred Marshall (at Locust Grove), Jason Saylor, Collin Jones, Jamie Zeiders, Austin Parker, Josh Hohol, Warren Ranch, Noel Peachey, Mary Sanders, Jamie Miller, Kathy Miller, Mindy Rhoades, Roger Musselman, Eugene Jones, Bob Sweger, Pat Campbell, Deanna Dare, Paul Kautzer, David Foose, Robbie Lauver, Jared Vento, Jan Landis, Barry Cornell, Eddi Kay Gill, Dan and Jane Zumbro, Eleanor Stallman and Marjory Miller.



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YARD SALE: Mark your calendars: On January 31 (Friday) and February 1 (Saturday) for Team Praying for a Cure's Indoor yard sale and also new, we are adding a variety of homemade soups, bbq, possibly pulled pork sandwiches for eating in or take out. This is just in time for the souper bowl. Friday from 8:00—2:00 and Saturday 8:00—Noon. If you have anything to donate for the yard sale that would be terrific. Please see that it is at the church no later than Wednesday, January 29. Remember all money raised goes to the Relay for Life which helps people with cancer. Any questions please contact Janice Zaring.

CONGREGATION COFFEE HOUR: Starting in January, the congregation will be able to host coffee hour. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex for any member to pick a Sunday and host coffee hour. You can team up with someone else or do it your self.

Nominating Committee for Highland: The Nominating Committee for Highland will begin meeting on January 8th at 6:00 p.m. Future meeting dates and times will be determined at this meeting..

BAZAAR COMMITTEE: You all did an amazing job at the Bazaar. Including the soup and cranberry sauce we sold for the Church. Our total was close to \$1,700. Approximately \$900 of that was crafts made by our Highland Crafters!! **YEAH** you can all be sooo proud.

Now it is time to start planning for the 2020 Bazaar. All items remaining from the Bazaar 2019 were either returned to the crafter or inventoried and stored for sale again. We need new ideas for crafts AND suggestions on how to make our next Bazaar bigger and better.

Let's have a meeting Thursday, January 16 at 9:00 A.M. in Clark Hall to discuss our many options. Please let me hear from you. Joyce Heintzelman joyce1951@outlook.com 717-636-0992

WESTMINSTER UNITED CONTINUED

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS ON JANUARY 12 AT WESTMINSTER: We are so blessed to have wonderful new officers being ordained and installed at Westminster. They are: Session: Aaron Geedey and for a second term Deb Heisey and Shelley Horning. As Deacon: BJ Doray and for a second term Marie McNaight. As Trustee: JR Bair and Rachel Dowling.

PERRY VALLEY SCHEDULE — JANUARY

Sun
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Fri
Sat

			<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>5 8:45 Worship</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>12 8:45 Worship</i> <i>GATHERING OF CON- GREGATION 2:30 P.M.</i> <i>SNOW DATE JANUARY 19 AT 2:30 P.M.</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19 8:45 Worship</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>26 8:45 Worship</i> <i>SESSION 6:00 P.M.</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>	

WESTMINSTER SCHEDULE — JANUARY

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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<i>5 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7 Deacon's meeting 7:00 p.m.</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>12 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14 Trustees 7:00</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22 Session 6:30</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>
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Sat

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5 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 10:15 Sunday School	6	7	8 Worship/ Music 5:00 Nominating 6:00 Session 6:30	9	10	11
12 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 10:15 Sunday School	13	14	15 Administra- tion 5:00	16 Bazaar Meeting in Clark Hall 9:00 a.m. Steering Committee 5:30 p.m. at Perry Val- ley	17	18
19 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 10:15 Sunday School	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship Service 10:15 Sunday School	27	28 Yard Sale Prep	29 Mission 5:30 Yard Sale Prep	30 Yard Sale Prep	31 Yard Sale 8-2 and Satur- day 8-12	