

The Spirit of Deer Park

Sunday, December 10, 2017

Announcements and
Upcoming Events

ONE SERVICE @ 10AM

GREETERS: John Moxley and Annette & Harold Robertson

LITURGIST: Gina DeGasperis

COFFEE N' CHAT: Adult Sunday School Class

NEXT WEEK (DECEMBER 17) ONE SERVICE @ 10AM

LITURGIST: Terry Caudill

COFFEE N' CHAT: Children's Ministry Team & Worship Team in the Social Hall

BULLETIN DEDICATION - Today's bulletin is dedicated to Pastor Wally Bosman, who gave our drama ministry the spotlights used in the Advent play & through whom the light of Christ shines.

THANK YOU - to all who gave of their time and talent to participate in today's Advent drama: Terry C. (angel Starbright), Cindy D. (Shepherd), Kathie B. & John M. (Mary & Joseph), Keenan H., Gary S. & Kim J. (Wise Men), Helen R. & Diane S. (Narrators), George G. (sound & lights), Ruth H. (AV assistance), Joy G. (director); and thanks to Gil M. for the loan of the folding screen, Tyler S-D. for the "donkey" and Sadie B. for painting the stable animal silhouettes. There are others who pitched in too, including those of you who brought a flashlight (or the flashlight on your phone) or gave up your usual sanctuary seat. To God be the glory!

THANK YOU - to everyone who helped in any way with the bazaar lunch. It was a successful day in the kitchen & soup line. I couldn't do it without your help. Thank you so much! Janet Wallett

THANK YOU - to all who contributed to the Sock & Underwear Drive. So far 74 pairs of socks, 41 underwear & 14 T-shirts were delivered to the Shepherd's Staff (*thanks Gary*). We will continue to collect items throughout the winter, the box remains in the narthex for your donations.

DUE TODAY

RED STOCKINGS FOR SHEPHERD'S STAFF - Thanks. Contact Barb Rhine 410-876-1672.

CHRISTMAS FOR SPRINGFIELD HOSPITAL CENTER - Thanks. Contact Lynn Spencer & Ruth Shipley.

POINSETTIA ORDER - orders forms are in the narthex. Contact Cindy Saylor.

CHILDREN'S DINNER THEATER - **TODAY** at 2pm in the Social Hall. The children present the play "God's Gift to Us". Dinner includes salad, bread sticks, spaghetti with meatballs & cake. Cost is \$10.00/ ticket, children 3 & under are free. ALL proceeds go toward the 2018 Vacation Bible School. There are still a few tickets left. See Kathie Browning or Nancy Baker.

CHURCH CALENDARS - Pick up yours in the narthex. If you have not paid, see Ruth. There are some extra calendars available for sale, see Ruth Shipley or Lynn Spencer. Thanks.

MITTEN TREE - In the narthex for your donations of new gloves, mittens, scarves & hats. All donations will be given to Shepherd's Staff & distributed locally in Carroll County. Thank you for giving the gift of warmth. Any questions contact Gary Saylor 443-465-1023.

DPUMC CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT - The UMW is selling ornaments of the church in the narthex (\$12). The sales continue through December. Contact Lynn Spencer 410-857-9882.

LIBRARY NEWS - Nathan Hurst hated Christmas. It was a reminder of the events that destroyed his childhood. In The Gift by Richard Paul Evans we rejoice in a beautiful story of healing that proves Christmas is indeed the season of miracles. Faith, hope and healing, what a wonderful gift!

.....**THIS WEEK**

FINANCE - NO meeting this month.

DPUMC MEN'S DINNER - Wednesday, December 13 @ 6PM in the Social Hall Dinner is coming from Bullocks. Please bring a Bible or your electronic device. Feel free to bring a guest. Please let Steve H, Gary S or Gene M know if you are able to come so enough food can be ordered.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA - The goal of 140 wreaths for the veterans' in the Deer Park Cemetery has been met, wreath laying is Dec. 16. Donations still needed for Arlington National Cemetery, see the website <https://wreaths.fastport.com>. Questions see Gary Saylor.

.....**NEXT WEEK**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 - Please come to hear **A CHORAL CHRISTMAS MEDLEY**, performed by our combined choirs, directed by Justin Klaverweiden. Invite a friend.
Single service @ 10AM with Sunday school @ 8:45AM.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY & COFFEE 'N CHAT - The Children's Ministries team invites everyone to join us on Sunday, December 17 for Coffee & Chat and the Children's Christmas Party in the social hall following the 10AM worship service.

LITURGIST SIGN-UP FOR 2018 - Reading God's Word aloud is a blessing and a privilege. If you would like to join those who serve as liturgists, reading scripture and leading other parts of the Sunday worship service on a rotating basis, please sign up on the "Liturgists" sheet on the narthex table, or contact Joy Grimm at 443-506-3209 (e-mail: joyg1@comcast.net) by Sunday, December 17. Current liturgists, please check off your name on the list as well.

SPECIAL OCCASION SCRIPTURE READERS - Would you like to be called on to read scripture occasionally, but not lead other parts of the service? This opportunity is open to readers of any age. The "Scripture Reader" sign-up sheet will be on the narthex table through Sunday, December 17. Contact Joy Grimm with any questions.

COUNCIL - NO meeting in December.

.....**LATER THIS MONTH & BEYOND**

4th ADVENT SUNDAY - Dec. 24 One service at 10AM. NO Sunday school.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24.

- 5:00 PM - Children's Interactive Family Service with glow candles
- 7:00 PM - Family Friendly Service with candlelight and glow candles for children
- 11:00 PM - Traditional Candlelight Service with Communion

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 - One service @ 10AM. **NO** Sunday school.

.....**ONGOING**

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY - A "ONE CALL NOW" message will be sent by 7am Sunday morning, if worship services are cancelled or changed. You can also check the church phone 410-848-2313 for an updated message.

WESTMINSTER HOMELESS SHELTER - Box and flyer in the narthex for donation of individually wrapped breakfast items for the Cold Weather Shelter. Questions see Janet Wallet.

KIDZ CLUBHOUSE - Helpers are needed, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Questions see Kathie Browning or Pastor John. Thanks.

PANERA DOUGH STRIPS FUNDRAISER - Each strip includes 6 coupons for assorted pastries. Cost is \$10, value of \$18+, a great deal! Coupons are good at any Maryland Panera & never expire. Make great gifts! Benefits Community Outreach events. See Bev Snyder to purchase.

IMAGINE NO MALARIA - A fundraising chart in the narthex is tracking our progress in support of the UM church-wide effort to overcome malaria in Africa. Contributions of any amount are greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to DPUMC, designated for **INM**.

CARROLL COUNTY FOOD SUNDAY - Please consider bringing in some non-perishable food items for the shopping cart in the narthex. Your contributions are appreciated.

CARDS - Bring your used birthday/holiday cards to church, to be taken to ARC, where they use them to make tags, etc. Look for the pink & blue gingham box in the narthex.

REMINDER! - For the safety of our church building, if you are the last one leaving the building **PLEASE** make sure the entrance doors are **LOCKED** & all **LIGHTS ARE OFF!**

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Please submit bulletin announcements by Thursday, 11:00AM to the Office
Prayer Chain: Shirley Miller (Coordinator) 410-861-8292
Chain I Kate Gorsuch 410-876-2745 / Chain II Brenda Six 410-756-2507
Bulletin Copying: Steve Hildenbrand
Flag raising & lowering: Gary Saylor



A HOMELESS WINTER

Winter is rapidly approaching us. The Homeless hope and pray it will be a mild one. Winter is very difficult for them. Unlike us; they don't have the comfort and safety of a warm home and bed.

They face the weather elements day and night; seeking shelter in places where they can be blocked from the wind and blowing snow. Some may have the use of a small tent or tarps to cover themselves. Others use cardboard or whatever they can find. Hopefully, they have warm clothing.

There is **one** Cold Weather Shelter in Westminster which opens November 15 and closes April 15. It opens each evening at 7PM, offering a meal, hot showers and a bed. Last winter they served 50 guests per night.

Everyone must leave the shelter by 7AM. They do not offer breakfast. However, they do put out some items for the clients to take with them.

The shelter is in need of breakfast items. This is how our church can help! We will be collecting a variety of items.

Please place items in the box located in overflow room.
Thank you for your kindness and concern.

Gary Saylor & Janet Walleth.

BREAKFAST ITEMS* for the HOMELESS

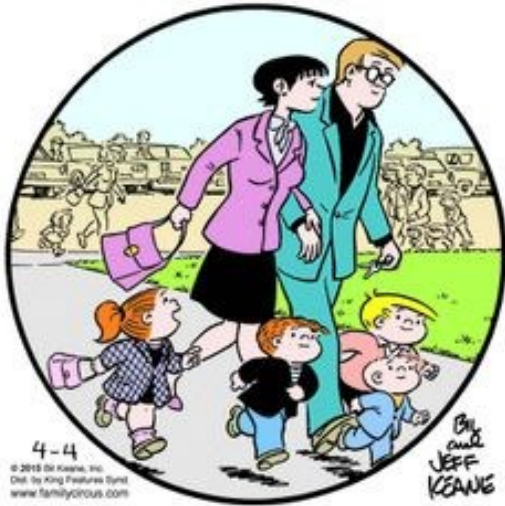
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applesauce	banana & apple chips
breakfast bars	crackers (<i>cheese, peanut butter, etc.</i>)
cracker & cheese packets	donuts
fruit cups	fruit snacks
juice boxes	muffins
pastries	pop tarts
pudding cups	raisins
Rice Krispy treats	small boxes of cereal

**If you can think of an item not on this list feel free to give it.*

Sir Winston Churchill said: "We make a living by what we get.

We make a life by what we give."



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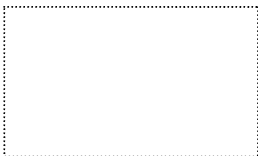
**"I like it when everyone in church
sings about that Ollie Louya guy."**

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