



The DPUMC Spirit

Sunday, December 20, 2020

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30AM

GREETERS: Joy Grimm & John Moxley

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LITURGISTS: Pastor John

11AM

Donna Upton, Randi Carlisle & Cindy Saylor

Annie Miller

NEXT WEEK (DECEMBER 27)

Donna Upton, Randi Carlisle & Cindy Saylor

Pastor John

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen. (Romans 16:25-27)

THANK YOU! – Your continued financial support as we navigate these unprecedented and difficult times is very much appreciated. Due to COVID-19, we were unable to have our fundraisers. Our fundraisers have been a significant part of the General Fund (*raising over \$8000*) helping with the expenses that are needed to support the ministry of our church. Please consider making a donation for what you might have donated or spent at the fundraisers.

DRIVE-UP CAROLING AT CHURCH – TODAY! December 20, 1-2pm, come listen or join in with Deer Park UMC folks (not just the choir!) as we gather to sing our favorite Christmas songs & carols. You can listen from your car or join the singers, with masks and social distancing required. Come to the side entrance by the choir room (lot facing the park).

MITTEN TREE – See the tree in the narthex for your donations of new gloves, mittens, scarves & hats. All donations will be distributed locally in Carroll County. Thank you for giving the gift of warmth. Items will be taken the week of January. Any questions contact Gary Saylor 443-465-1023.

CALL FOR COATS – This year is a little different with the collection of coats for The Shepherd's Staff. Because of COVID-19, the cleaners will not be accepting the coats for cleaning. Shepherd's Staff will only accept coats that are new. There is a designated place for coats to hang on the coatrack near the main entrance doors. They will also accept monetary donations. Any questions see Gary Saylor.

WESTMINSTER COLD WEATHER SHELTER – Collection boxes in the narthex for food items and socks & new underwear. THEY NEED EVERYTHING! Contacts are Ginny Weaver & Janet Walleth.

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COUNCIL – NO meeting.

ADVENT STUDY – Wednesday @ 1PM. The book is "Making Room – Sharing the Love of Christmas" by Ed Robb. You don't have to sign up, just show up! Contact is Pastor John.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24.

7:00 PM - Family Friendly Service with candlelight and glow candles for children

11:00 PM - Traditional Candlelight Service with Communion

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SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS – December 27, services @ 8:30 & 11AM. No Sunday School.

.....ONGOING

WORSHIP SERVICES – Two services **8:30AM** & **11AM**, in the Sanctuary. We are following the CDC guidelines for your safety. We take attendance & temperatures at both services and you must wear a mask, masks are available if you don't have one or forgot yours. Hand sanitizer is also available. Please observe social distancing. Pews are marked to aid in maintaining social distancing. A collection box is at the double doors for your offering.

UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS – Are in the narthex. If you need one contact Cindy Saylor. Additional Upper Room resources are available on the website <https://www.upperroom.org/covid-19>.

AMERICAN FLAGS – If you have a torn or worn American Flag that you would like discarded, please give to Cindy Saylor in the church office. Carroll Hospice is collecting them for a new program called "Stars for our Troops". Give Gary Saylor a call on 443-465-1023 with questions. For more information about this program, you can go to www.starsforourtroops.org.

ONE CALL NOW - We use this system to inform our members of those who are requesting prayers and send church information including updates to services and building closures. If you are not receiving phone calls and/or emails and would like to be added to the list, please contact Cindy Saylor (410-375-5955).

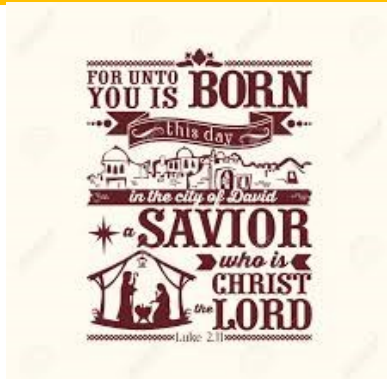
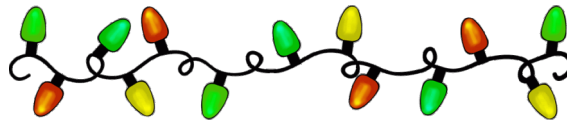
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! - We are working on enhancing the Video taping of our church services. If you are interested helping with this effort, please contact Pastor John at 240-285-5965 or jdpreader@outlook.com.

CHURCH PROJECTS - Funds are still needed for the new playground. Mark contributions with a note/memo: **Playground. Thanks for your support of the children!**

BRING YOUR CAN TO CHURCH - Or box or plastic jar--of food! Let's keep the grocery cart full with our donations for Carroll County Food Sunday by bringing at least one non-perishable item every Sunday. Donors are encouraged to give the kind of nutritious food they would serve their own families. The CCFS Wish List includes: Peanut Butter; Jelly; Hot or Cold Cereal; Canned Soup (non-tomato preferred); Beans (red & black); Pancake Mix; Pancake Syrup. Thanks to all for reaching out to our neighbors in need.

FEED MY SHEEP - FMS has converted to carryout meals only. Gary Saylor has taken on the leadership role. If you want to help, contact Gary on 443-465-1023. Financial donations continue to help provide food and supplies. Please mark your donation to FMS.

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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
Flag raising & lowering: Gary Saylor





POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

In **Memory** of . . .

Given by . . .

Kimberly Browning Gary & Kathie Browning & Family
Tom & Betty Wallett-Browning Gary & Kathie Browning & Family
Ed & Norma Ruddick Gary & Kathie Browning & Family
Reggie, Charles, Dick, Carol, & Nancy David Buckland
Chase Forrester Mother, Joy Bollinger
Kay Hafner Patty Pagano
Ken & Helen Michaelian, My Parents Barbara Michaelian
Robin & Glenn Miller Annie & Bob Miller
Garry Rumbaugh His Family
Herb & Ruth Shipley The Family
Robert, Gladys, Wayne, Lill Shipley & Steve Six Brenda & Shelley
Scott E. Shipley Ray, Brenda, Carter, Steven & Travis Shipley
Esther Traskovich, My Wife Husband, Laszlo
Ray Upton Donna Upton & Family
My Loved Ones Ruth Horner
My Parents, Doris & Horace Miller Shirley Miller
Mr. & Mrs. John E. Saylor Michael & Renee Strine
Mr. & Mrs. Donald M. Strine Michael & Renee Strine
Our Loved Ones Judy & Woody
Our Parents Gail & John Angell
Our Parents Cindy & Gary Saylor
Our Son, Chad Myers Ruth & Gene Myers
Doris & Alton Leister, Raymond & Roberta Myers Ruth & Gene Myers
Tracey, Bob, Joshua, Sister Sarah, Parents, Grandparents, Mike Brothers
Clyde Hughes, Family & Friends who have gone on Madeline Jones



In **Honor** of . . .

Given by . . .

All First Responders Harry & Janet Wallett
Ann Horner, My Mother Ruth Horner
Elise & Harry Wallick Annette & Bob Miller
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Buckland David Buckland
My Grandsons: Braden, Mason, Colton, Blake & Wyatt John Moxley
New Baby Heldmann Patty Pagano
Our Grandchildren: Annelise, Cheyenne, Abigail & Tyler
..... MomMom & PopPop
Elise, Kara, TJ, Yana, Lydia, Josiah & Scarlett Ruth & Gene Myers
My Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren..... Donna & Peg
Prayer Partners, Church Family & Pastor John Dean Madeline Jones



On Sunday, December 20 at 1 O'clock the the "Deer Park Frosty Singers" gathered on the steps for a little Drive-By Caroling and raised their voice in singing with gladness. Only one listener dropped by but the effort and fellowship was enjoyed by all and closed with a group prayer session.



JESUS
is the reason for the season!
Merry Christmas!