

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS  
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC  
[www.lischeysucc.org](http://www.lischeysucc.org) (717) 225-3932  
3rd Sunday of Advent  
Sunday, December 12, 2021  
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude: The Coventry Carol

Hughes

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

L: Let us rejoice in God our Savior,

**P: for He has done great things for us!**

L: God fills the hungry with good things!

**P: Let us open ourselves to the spirit of life and new birth!**

L: Let us worship God!

**P: Emmanuel, the Promised One, we await your coming!**

Hymn: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus - #124 - Red Hymnal - Stanza 1

Prichard

Advent Candle Lighting ~ Darlene Miner & Grace Mensinger

Hymn: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus - #124 - Red Hymnal - Stanza 2

Prichard

Confession

L: Let us confess those places where we need to grow to prepare for Christ to come to our lives.

**ALL: Loving God, we confess before you those places in our hearts where we have refused you entrance: People we have refused to love; habits we never get around to changing; good things we have left undone; and ways in which we hurt you, ourselves, and others. Come to us with the light of Christ. Shine on those places we have hidden from you. Show us new ways to live. Sweep clean the rooms of our hearts, that Christ may find a home among us. Amen.**

L: This is the good news in Jesus Christ. We can stand before God, not because of our goodness, but through God's great kindness to us. Rejoice and be glad, knowing you have received God's pardon.

Children's Message - Pastor Cathy

Sanctuary Choir ~ Let There Be Christmas

Scripture: Isaiah 11: 1 - 9

Message: A Peaceable Kingdom

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer- ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn: All Earth is Waiting NCH # 121

Taule

Benediction

Postlude: Festive Postlude

Broughton



Weekly Announcements, Updates and Concerns

December 12, 2021

Thank You...

Thank you for the Thanksgiving card signed by members of the congregation. It was great to receive it and know I wasn't forgotten. Thank you, *Pam Kiser*

Christmas Eve Greeters Needed...

The Christmas Eve schedule is now finalized, and I'm looking for 2 volunteers to be greeters for the 4:00 service and the 7:00 service. If you are interested, please let me know as soon as possible. Thank you, *Darlene*

Good Samaritan Fund...

Thanks to your generous donations to the Good Samaritan Fund this year, we, the church, were able to help seven families in need. We spent \$1,700 on items such as restaurant and gas cards, Visa gift cards, rent, and electric bills.

To All Current Greeters...

The New Year's greeter schedule will be coming out in a few short weeks. If there are any corrections to be made, such as phone #'s or willingness to continue as a greeter, or if you are willing to become a new greeter(!) contact Darlene at (717-968-0780) with the info, or call the church office and leave a message with Pat, or on the answering machine. Thank you to everyone who continues to participate in this mission and outreach of our church!  
*Darlene*

Christmas Mission Opportunities...

Our **Christmas tree** for hats, scarves, mittens, gloves and socks will be in the Overflow room until December 20. We are collecting all sizes from children through large adults. Items will be shared through Harvest of Hope on December 21 and Mr. Sandy's Homeless Veteran's Center during this Christmas season and beyond. Please note that socks for Mr. Sandy's should be men's ankle socks.

If anyone would like to buy additional items for Mr. Sandy's, they are looking for long sleeve shirts and thermals for men. Any monetary gifts designated for Mr. Sandy's will be used to buy additional items for the center to distribute to the homeless veterans.

In this season of giving, we are welcoming monetary gifts for the Good Samaritan Fund to help individuals in need. If you have any questions, please see Jean Weidler.

### **Christmas Eve Services...**

There will be two worship services on Christmas Eve at 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM. The 4:00 PM service is in-person only and will be a family-oriented service. The 7:00 PM service is in-person and on YouTube and will be a quiet service including the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Both services will include the traditional lighting of the Christ candle, the birth narrative from Luke 2, the singing of "Silent Night" with candles and conclude with "Joy to the World".

### **Thank You to Our Greeters...**

Thank you to today's greeters, Joan Messinger & Toni O'Neal. Next week's greeters are Wendy Carl & Amanda Godfrey.

### **Thank You to Our Liturgist...**

Thank you to today's liturgist, Michele Hamme. Next week's liturgist is Melisa Altland.

### **Thank You to Our Acolyte...**

Thank you to today's acolyte Sierra Godfrey. Next week's acolyte is Sage Freed.

### **Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...**

Monday, December 13	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Thursday, December 16	6:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir
Sunday, December 19	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Children's Sunday School</b>
	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service in the Sanctuary and via YouTube- Children's Christmas Program
Friday, December 24	4:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service- A family-oriented service
	7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service- A quiet service including communion
Sunday, December 26	10:00 AM	A time of fellowship
	10:30 AM	Worship, with a special time for children in the fellowship hall following the children's message

### Upcoming Counters

Monday, December 13	Joanne Hoffman	Elvin Myers	Lois Nelson
Monday, December 20	Darlene Miner	Carol Brown	Sandy Lehman
Monday, December 27	Elvin Myers	Joanne Hoffman	John Klinedinst
Monday, January 3	Joanne Hoffman	Lois Nelson	Donald Carl

### Office Hours...

The office will be open Monday & Wednesday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, and Tuesday & Thursday from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

Cathy Sherry, Pastor	Mon/Wed	10:00 PM – 12:00 PM
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Mon-Thur	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE LAST SUNDAY WAS...

Attendance	(58 Sanctuary)
Current	\$2,945.00
Good Samaritan Fund	80.00
Building for Service	80.00
Harvest of Hope	100.00
<u>OCWM</u>	<u>110.00</u>
TOTAL	3,315.00

### Upcoming Birthdays (\*designates Over 80)

December 12	Diane Breeden	December 30	Pat McKowen
December 14	Judy Minik	January 08	Blaine Breeden
December 17	Thomas Waltersdorff	January 10	David Wiker
December 25	Kenneth Brown Sr.	January 12	Joan Messinger
December 27	James Messinger	January 13	Barry Wetzel