

# WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS

St. Peter's Lischey's UCC

2nd Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 6, 2020 - 10:30 AM

Gathering Music: Christmas Lullaby  
In the Bleak Mid-Winter

Callender  
Boyles/Holst

## Ringing of the Bell

## Announcements

Prelude: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Broughton

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath Candle of Peace

Scripture: Isaiah 40: 1 - 11

Lighting of Advent Candle

L: O Holy One, we light this second candle to proclaim the coming of the light of God into the world.

**P: With the coming of this light there is peace,**

L: for Christ is called the "Prince of Peace."

**P: Christ's name is also Emmanuel, "God with us."**

**ALL: May the presence of Christ with us give us peace day by day.**

Opening Prayer

Music Interlude: Emmanuel

## Prayer of Confession...

**ALL: God, we confess that it is not easy for us to wait for you. Our world worships power that acts quickly and through force; how difficult it is for us to wait for the power of your reign of peace that comes slowly through love. Forgive us and show us how to make space in our time of waiting for you. Amen.**

Scripture: Mark 1: 1 - 8

Message: Expect Peace

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Music Interlude: People, Look East

## Benediction

Postlude: Hark, The Glad Sound!

Birchwood



**Weekly Announcements, Updates and Concerns**  
**December 6, 2020**

*For printing purposes, please have all information to the church office by Thursday morning at 10 AM.*

**The Altar Flowers...**

The altar flowers today are in loving memory of my father-in-law, George Glatfelter, and in honor of my mother-in-law, Anna Glatfelter, presented by Lisa Crisamore.

**Homewood Christmas Gifts...**

Homewood will be having a Christmas project again this year for its residents. We are asked to contribute signed Christmas cards, **unscented** body lotion, and Kleenex cubes. If you contribute Kleenex in holiday boxes, the staff is saved time, because they will not have to wrap them. You may leave your donations in the bin the overflow room. **Today is our deadline**, as they must be delivered to Homewood tomorrow.

**Mission: 30 for 30...**

You did it! What generous hearts! Lischey's will be sending \$955 to Harvest of Hope to provide Christmas dinners for 31 families! Thank you for sharing the spirit of Christ with others during this holy season. *Pastor Cathy*

**Family Sponsorship for Christmas...**

Eric Hess has been on our prayer chain for several months. Eric is 35 years old and is dealing with cancer for the second time in his life. He is currently undergoing chemotherapy every other week at Hershey and being monitored for congestive heart failure. We learned about the Hess family through Karla Waltersdorff, who is a co-worker of Eric's wife. They have a 2 ½ year old child. Help with gas cards (Sheets, Rutter's or Giant), monetary contributions to help with medical costs are much needed. Please use the green envelopes with a Christmas tree and place in the offering plate. *Checks should be made payable to St. Peter's Lischey's with memo: "Hess Family."* We also have a Christmas tree with items that could be purchased for their daughter. Please bring these items to church in a gift bag by December 20<sup>th</sup> and place in the Christmas tree box in the overflow room. Thank you for considering this outreach ministry!

**Thank you to...**

- The angels who decorated the sanctuary: Joy & Larry Spangler, Connie Neiderer, Jenell McKowen, Nancy Cherry, Darlene & Steve Miner, Missy Altland
- Jim Messinger for making the mangers for the children;
- Whoever cut back the roses
- A heartfelt thank you to Tom & Nancy King and the Caring Committee for the special home delivery of a bag full of goodies. Everything is much appreciated! Thanks Again, *Pat Warner*

### **The Altar Guild**

The Altar Guild is seeking a few new members to replace valued members we lost in 2020. Anyone interested can see Melisa Altland or anyone of the Altar Guild members. We meet twice a year and each person normally handles Altar Guild duties 4 weekends a year.

### **The Caring Committee...**

Thank you to our delivery crew of Nancy Cherry, Jean Gross, Tom & Nancy King, Jean Weidler, and Tammy Wetzel. At this time, we are in need of homemade applesauce. If you are willing to help, please see Nancy Cherry or Pastor Cathy.

### **Harvest of Hope...**

Thank you for your generous support of this local ministry. Volunteers are needed to help from 4:15-7:00 PM on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up if you are able to help. At this time, due to CoVID restrictions, they cannot receive food items, but our financial support is needed. Please use the HOH envelopes found near the offering plate. Thank you!

### **Office Hours...**

The staff of Lischey's is available to you five days a week. 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:

Mon/Thur	1:30 PM – 4 PM	Michele Hamme, Secretary
Tuesday	1 PM – 3 PM	Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music
Wed/Fri	1 PM - 3 PM	Cathy Sherry, Pastor

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

Sun, December 6	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School via Zoom
	9:30 AM	Children's Sunday School & Confirmation
	10:30 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent Worship Service in Sanctuary & via Zoom
	4:30 PM	Advent Devotions via Zoom
Thurs, December 10	6:30 PM	Chime Choir
Sun, December 13	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School via Zoom
	10:30 AM	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent Worship Service in Sanctuary & via Zoom
	4:30 PM	Advent Devotions via Zoom
Mon, December 14	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Sun, December 20	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School via Zoom
	9:30 AM	Children's Sunday School & Confirmation
	10:30 AM	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Worship Service in Sanctuary & via Zoom
	4:30 PM	Advent Devotions via Zoom
Thurs, December 24	4:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service (outdoors/dress appropriately)
	7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service with Communion (Sanctuary/via Zoom)

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

Attendance	62 (47 sanctuary/ 15 zoom)
Current	\$1,350.00
Loose Offering	29.00
Harvest of Hope Food Pantry	485.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	50.00
Neighbors in Need	50.00
Strengthen the Church	50.00
Veterans of the Cross	50.00
Hess Family	40.00
Altar Flowers	60.00
Menges Fund Interest (Cemetery Board)	152.38
Sunday School Books	17.00
Foster Child	25.00
Building for Service	60.00
<u>OCWM</u>	<u>50.00</u>
Total Deposit	\$2,468.38

## **Upcoming Birthdays...**

Carson Fuhrman	December 8	Tom Waltersdorff	December 17
Brandon Hubley	December 9	Ken Brown, Sr.	December 25
Jean Gross	December 10	Jim Messinger	December 27
Diane Breeden	December 12	Pat McKowen	December 30
Judy Minik	December 14		

## **Money Counters...**

Money counters for the upcoming weeks are:

December 7	Carol Brown, Pat McKowen
December 14	Joanne Hoffman, Lois Nelson
December 21	Darlene Miner, Sandy Lehman
December 28	Elvin Myers, Joanne Hoffman, Sandy Lehman

## **Worship in the Sanctuary...**

Please avoid lingering before and after the service. Please keep outerwear with you. Designated pews for seating will help accomplish social distancing. Masks will be used and there will be no singing at this time.

## **Questions and Concerns...**

If you have questions, thoughts, or concerns, PLEASE communicate them in a constructive manner. Emailing, calling the pastor or a member of Council is far more productive and considerate of the entire body than discussing them with one another on the phone. We are here to listen and are endeavoring to prayerfully move forward with care and compassion for ALL.