

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS

St. Peter's Lischey's UCC

3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday, January 24, 2021 - 10:30 AM

Prelude: Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense
Lord, I Want to be a Christian
O, How I Love Jesus!

Bach
Glyncannon
Boat

Announcements

Call to Worship:

L: The star still beckons us.

P: We awake to the Light in our world, emerging anew each day.

L: We seek to share God's continuing gift of love nurtured in the Light over Bethlehem's cradle.

ALL: Let us live and walk in the Light!

Music Interlude: I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Prayer of Confession...

ALL: God, we acknowledge that we are not always ready to receive your best gifts for us. It is often our habit to turn aside, stumble over or even reject experiences and encounters that we later understand to have been precious gifts. Show us ways to use the gifts you have given us to help others. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture: I Peter 4: 8 - 11

Message: "Star Gifts"

Installation of Council Members

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

Music Interlude: O Jesus, I have Promised

Benediction

Postlude: A Psalm of Praise

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The Sacrament of Baptism for Blair Susan Byers

St. Peter's Lischey's United Church of Christ
Weekly Announcements, Updates and Concerns
January 24, 2021

Epiphany – “Don't Let the Light Go Out!”...

The season of Epiphany seems to get lost in the shuffle between Christmas and Lent! It is a season of Light and Revelation and Manifestation! It is the darkest time of the year and when better to bring light into the darkness and allow it to dispel the darkness. This year we have star gifts coming! Watch for them in the mail!

Celebrate Baptism...

This morning following our regular service, Pastor Cathy will conduct the Sacrament of Baptism for Blair Susan Byers. Blair is the daughter of Meggie & Josh Byers, the granddaughter of Scott & Sue Sanders, and the great-granddaughter of Katie Sanders.

Council Installation...

This morning we will install Jean Gross and Pat McKowen as members of Church council.

Sympathy and Promises of Our Faith...

Our deepest Christian sympathies are extended to JoAnn Kirkwood and Tammy Ballard on the passing of William Kirkwood. Bill entered the Church Triumphant on January 13th.

Harvest of Hope Food Pantry...

St. Peter's is scheduled to provide support on Tuesday, January 26th and again on Wednesday, March 3rd from 11:15 AM to 2 PM. Your help and assistance is greatly appreciated. Please contact Joy Spangler if you are able to help.

Thank You...

- We would like to thank Pastor Cathy for all her phone calls and uplifting prayers following Mike's stroke. Also, thank you to our church family for all the cards, prayers, and concerns as Mike recovers at home.

A special thank you to the Care Ministry for the bag of goodies delivered to us by Nancy Cherry. Everything was delicious and very much appreciated.

Finally, we would like to thank the members of our church family who have reached out to us to pick up groceries or drop off a meal to us while we are quarantined.

We appreciate everyone's kindness and generosity.

Mike & Connie Neiderer

- Thank you for welcoming me into your worship service. You have a wonderful community of faith. I am glad to see that you are thriving in spite of the current pandemic situation. May the peace of God continue to bless you. Sincerely, *John Sherry*

Council Updates...

- The Council voted to continue with no in-person church related activities through Sunday, February 7th. We will continue to have our Worship Services and Adult Sunday School on Zoom. The Children's Sunday school teachers are working on possible times to hold activities with children on Zoom. The Council will decide at the February 8th Council meeting if the Zoom only services will need to continue longer.
- The church will be open 1-3 PM on a Monday through Thursday schedule, with Pastor Cathy there on Mondays and Wednesdays and Nancy Cherry on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- The Annual Meeting to receive reports will be held on February 21, 2021, after the Worship Service, whether in person or on Zoom to be determined.
- The Council approved the use of \$5,000 from the Memorial Fund to put toward the purchase of equipment, software and set-up for live-streaming services from our sanctuary. The proposal from A-V Solutions gives a cost for this work of \$5,655. As written in our church's constitution, the Council needs Congregational approval to spend over \$5000 on a project. As noted, the Council plans to use \$5000 from the Memorial Fund. They would also like to use part of the \$1000 given to the church as a voting site from York County pandemic funds to cover the additional \$655. The Council will send out a mailing for the congregation to vote. This mailing will include a postcard for you to indicate your vote on whether to purchase the AV equipment to enable streaming. Please return the postcard by January 31st.
- Council Officers for 2021 are the same as 2020: Larry Spangler, President; Sandy Lehman, Vice-President; Jean Weidler, Secretary and Jean Gross, Treasurer.

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Sunday, January 24	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School via Zoom
	9:30 AM	Confirmation via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Worship via Zoom
Tuesday, January 26	4:15 PM	Harvest of Hope Food Pantry
Wednesday, January 27	7:00 PM	Mission Planning via Zoom
Sunday, January 31	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School via Zoom
	10:30 AM	Worship via Zoom
Wednesday, February 3	7:00 PM	Children/Youth Christian Ed. Planning via Zoom

Office Hours...

Pastor Cathy and Nancy Cherry will be in the office Monday through Thursday. Michele Hamme has accepted a full-time position during the day, so the Secretary's hours will vary until a replacement can be found. 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:

Tues/Thurs	1 PM – 3 PM	Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music
Mon/Wed	1 PM – 3 PM	Cathy Sherry, Pastor

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE LAST SUNDAY (JANUARY 17) WAS...

Attendance	39 via zoom
Current	\$2,525.00
Initial Offering	55.00
Harvest of Hope	500.00
Kennies Community Treasures	283.29
Building for Service	60.00
<u>OCWM</u>	<u>115.00</u>
TOTAL	3,538.29

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS: (*designates over 80)

January 26	Joy Spangler	*February 6	Joan Folmer
January 27	Austin Brown	February 8	John Klinedinst
January 29	Kay Kessler	February 9	Karen Bathgate
January 29	Allison Orchowski	February 10	Diane Myers
*February 1	Mary Jo Bollinger	February 10	Karla Waltersdorff
February 4	Connie Neiderer	*February 12	Royce Messersmith
*February 5	Katie Sanders		