

WELCOME in the NAME OF JESUS
St. Peter's Lischey's UCC
www.lischeysucc.org (717) 225-3932
1st Sunday of Epiphany
Sunday, January 12, 2025
10:30 AM (In the Sanctuary & via YouTube)

Welcome and Gathering Songs- Sharon Winter

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude: "This Hallowed Place"

Landon

Call to Worship

L: Morning has broken. Let us give thanks.

P: We give God thanks for the gift of life and for the presence of the Holy One among us.

L: Our help is in the name of God, who made heaven and earth.

P: Let us worship God together! Thanks be to God.

Hymn: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" (Praise Booklet, p. 21)

Elderkin

Confession

L: Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and follow in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

L: Almighty God, who is great in mercy, promise forgiveness to all who truly repent and are sincere in faith.

P: In Jesus Christ, God knows and receives us. Thanks be to God!

Children's Message- Pastor Cathy

Sanctuary Choir: "Just Two Words"

Frombach/Lau

Scripture: Luke 3: 15-17; 21-22 – Don Carl

Message: Who Are You Intended to Be?

Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

275th Anniversary Moment

Announcements, Joys, and Prayer Concerns

Installation of William Hersh as Council Member

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (Praise Booklet, p. 3)

*Closing Hymn: "This is a Day of New Beginnings" (Praise Booklet, p. 19)

Young

*Benediction

*Postlude: "The Power and the Glory"

Nolte

**All who are able, please rise.*



Weekly Announcements, Updates, and Concerns

January 12, 2025

Visitors...

Thank you for joining us today. We are happy to have you here. Please sign the guestbook located at the bell tower. Since you may be unfamiliar with us, below are some housekeeping items to help you find your way around:

- Restrooms are located in the overflow room, in the new section by the office, and down the stairs from the new sections.
- Brown offering envelopes are located in the pew backs and also on the cart by the bulletins. The offering plate is located on the cart.

A BIG Thanks to Our Church Undecorators...

A warm thank you to Don Carl, Chris DeGroot, Darlene & Steve Miner, Connie & Mike Neiderer, and Karla & Bill Waltersdorff for their time and effort in taking down the Christmas decorations. While it's always bittersweet to see them go, we're reminded of Darlene's beautiful words: "Though the tangible decorations are packed away, the friendly smiles of our church family will continue to brighten our space as the true 'decorations' of the New Year."

Thank You...

Thank you to everyone for the very thoughtful cards, baked goods, and the poinsettia. May we continue to serve God in the coming year! ~*Pastor Cathy*

Thank You...

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to preparing and serving the luncheon following last week's service. The food was absolutely delicious, and the fellowship was truly wonderful. Your efforts made the day even more special.

Lischey's Lunchers - TODAY...

Join us for Lischey's Lunchers TODAY, Sunday, January 12, at Genova's! We'll gather at noon at Genova's following the church service. To ensure we have enough seating, please RSVP to Jean Weidler.

Jefferson Homemakers' Meeting- January 15th...

Come to the Jefferson Homemakers' gathering on Wednesday, January 15, at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall. The homemakers be diving into a discussion of *Good Night, Irene* by Luis Alberto

Urrea. Lunch will be provided, and everyone is welcome. Don't miss this opportunity for great conversation and community!

Hygiene Kits for SGASD Students...

We're collecting hygiene items for the next distribution of Hygiene Packs to Spring Grove students! This time, we've been asked to provide:

- **35 bottles of shampoo** (12.5–18 oz.)
- **50 packs of Band-Aids** (1-inch width Band-Aids/5 pieces per pack). Please bundle each pack with a small rubber band.

All donations are needed by **Sunday, January 26**.

A sign-up sheet is available on the table in the overflow room. Thank you for helping us support our students!

Free Concert at St. Matthew Lutheran Church - January 17th...

Join us for a wonderful evening of music at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, located at 30 W. Chestnut St., Hanover, on Friday, January 17th, at 7:00 PM. This annual concert, featuring Joseph Martin and a talented ensemble of musicians, is free and open to the public – no tickets required. Don't miss this inspiring musical program!

Needed: Your Knowledge of the Church...

If there is anyone that has any knowledge of any or all of the memorabilia items (be it the clocks, wall hangings, items in the cupboard, or pictures on the storage unit) in the overflow room to the rear of the sanctuary, please see any members of the anniversary committee (Sandy Lehman, Nancy McIntyre, Darlene Miner, Karla Waltersdorff) or Pastor Cathy to share that information. Thank you! We appreciate your help.

In Case of Inclement Weather...

If there is bad weather Monday to Friday, we will follow the Spring Grove School District's announcements regarding delays or cancelations of events. On Sundays, there will be an announcement on the church answering machine, 717-225-3932, by 9:00 AM with information about the service. There will also be an announcement on the *Home* page on our website, www.lisceysucc.org. If the weather is iffy, you should call or check the website before traveling to church. If in-person worship is canceled for Sunday, we will get a Zoom invite out to you Sunday morning to attend our virtual service.

Thank you to our helpers this week:

<i>Gathering Music</i>	Sharon Winter
<i>Lay Liturgist</i>	Don Carl
<i>Children's Message</i>	Pastor Cathy
<i>Acolyte</i>	Grace Mensinger
<i>Greeters</i>	Joan Messinger & Lois Nelson
<i>Money Counters</i>	Elvin Myers, Don Carl, & Lois Nelson
<i>Sound & Streaming</i>	Diane Breeden & Amanda Godfrey

Next week's helpers are:

Michele Hamme
Melisa Altland
Melisa Altland
Sierra Godfrey
Linda & Jim Freed
Lisa Crisamore, Lois Nelson, & Carol Brown
Cole & Pat McKowen

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Monday, January 13 th	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Thursday, January 16 th	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice
Sunday, January 19 th	9:15 AM	Adult Sunday School
	9:30 AM	Children & SPLATT Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Worship Service, including a brief presentation on the history of the stained glass windows.

Office Hours...

The office will be open during the hours listed below. 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	Tue/Wed	10:00 AM - Noon
Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music	Mon/Thur	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Pat McKowen, Secretary	Tue-Thur	Noon - 2:00 PM

Upcoming Birthdays (*Designates Over 80)

January 12	*Joan Messinger	January 17	Brock Walker
January 13	Barry Wetzell	January 18	Gloria Detwiler
January 14	Amanda Godfrey	January 18	Toni O'Neal
January 14	Christopher White		

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE LAST WEEK was...

Attendance	1/05: 120- 112 Sanctuary/ 8 YouTube
Current Offering	\$2,452.00
Loose Offering	30.00
Initial Offering	210.00
OCWM	170.00
Good Samaritan Fund	15.00
Christmas Eve Offering	50.00
Giving Tree	165.00
Building for Service	50.00
Total	\$3,142.00