



## ***BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH NEWS***

**DECEMBER 2023**

### **PASTOR'S PARAGRAPHS**

Grace and peace to you!

December? December? Where did the year go? I can't believe we are getting ready to begin the Advent season, and soon it will be Christmas!

We all know that Advent is a time of waiting and watching, and on Christmas, the long-awaited Messiah is born in a stable. But, have we as a society missed the real meaning of Advent and Christmas? It was interesting looking at Facebook posts on Black Friday. A high school classmate of mine posted about being out early shopping and being out late that night. She was out shopping on Black Friday and spent the next three days shopping! Have we missed the real meaning of Christmas? Is Christmas about seeing how far in debt we can get? Is Christmas about who can buy the most or the most expensive gifts? Is Christmas about standing in line for hours day after day to get that special gift?

Waiting and watching is difficult for us, just as it was for those early followers of Christ. I will be honest with you: in this year of ministry, I have struggled to see God at work. But as I come to church each week surrounded by all of you, I see others struggling to see God, but I also know the joy of those who have seen God at work in their ups and downs.

Our lives are often filled with unexpected, surprising, and often life-altering events. Amidst all this, we are invited to keep watch for the presence of the God we know in Jesus. This isn't always easy. Sometimes, we have to wait a while to see where God is at work in us, which can be so painfully hard! But the promise throughout all of scripture is that God always meets us at our greatest need and walks with us during those difficult times.

So slow down and wait and watch for the coming of Jesus, the greatest gift we could ever ask for! During this season, may we be reminded of the words of the prophet Isaiah: "For a child has been born for us, a son is given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders, and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

May you and your family have a blessed Christmas!

*The Rev. Curt Wingert*



***CHRIST'S UNITED POINSETTIAS***

Poinsettias have been a holiday favorite for generations. Every year we enjoy the beauty of this plant at our Christmas Eve service. This year will be no exception. If you want to provide a plant or two (plants may be taken home following the service on Christmas Eve), fill out the following and return it to Janice Wagner or Margie.

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**Poinsettia Order Form**

**6 1/2" pot (5+ blooms)      \$10.00 each**

**Order Deadline: December 3  
Return with Payment to:  
Janice Wagner or Margie Dunkle**

\_\_\_\_\_Red    \_\_\_\_\_White    \_\_\_\_\_Burgundy

GIVEN BY \_\_\_\_\_

in memory of \_\_\_\_\_

in memory of \_\_\_\_\_

in honor of \_\_\_\_\_

in honor of \_\_\_\_\_

to the Glory of God \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants Ordered \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

## ***PARISH EVENTS & NEWS***

### **Buffalo Valley Lutheran Parish Dinner Theater for ALL ages Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 PM @ Christ's United (4 Bells)**

Roast Beef Dinner and all the trimmings & dessert bar followed by a heartwarming comedy by our youth that is sure to bless your holiday!

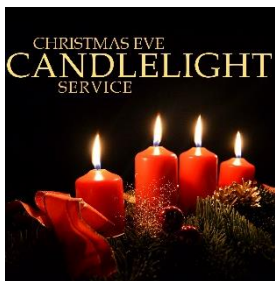


There's wonderful news in the air - the Son of God is born! Follow the adventure of a shepherd boy and his lamb as they cross the countryside telling anyone they can about the birth of the Messiah! But it turns out that not quite everyone shares their excitement about the good news. "Pass-It-On Christmas" is equal parts chaotic comedy and touching storytelling that is sure to become a holiday favorite for all ages. Join us for a wonderful dinner and super show!

Proceeds from this dinner theater will support those attending the 2024 Youth Gathering "Created to Be"

Adults \$20 ~ Children 5-12 \$12 ~ 4 and under Free

Tickets available from Teresa Shuck, Idella Zimmerman, Linda Smith, Christian Boyer, Kim Sawyer and offices of Christ's United Lutheran and First Evangelical Lutheran  
570-922-1860 570-966-0266



## **Christmas Eve and Holiday Worship Schedule**

This year **December 24** falls on a Sunday. The schedule of services is as follows:

### **Christmas Eve**

**10:00 a.m. ~ Christ's United**

**4:00 p.m. ~ Christ's United**

**7:00 p.m. ~ First Lutheran**

**10:00 p.m. ~ First Lutheran**

**December 31 - Lessons and Carols - 10:00 a.m. ~ First Lutheran**

## **Bible Study**

This month's Bible study will take place at First Lutheran as follows:



### **Mondays at 1:30 pm**

**December 4**

**December 11**

**December 18**

**December 25 – No Study ~ Merry Christmas!**

We are continuing to study the Book of Romans. All are welcome.

## **Texting Program for the Parish**

I am going to be trying a new texting program for the parish called Text in Church. With this program, I will be able to send out mass/individual text messages to church members reminding them that church services have changed, share upcoming events, notify that church has been cancelled due to weather, remind committees of meetings, prayer requests, etc.

I am going to do a two-month trial to see how we like it and then I will make a decision if we would like to keep it. If you would like to sign up for this program, please email/call me with your cell phone number. Also, if you do sign up, the text messages that you receive will come from the following number: 814-527-3720. ~ Pastor Curt

## **Progressive Dinner**

We, as Lutherans, love to eat! Let's plan to get together after the holidays to enjoy food and friendships, both old and new! Members from both congregations will be intermingled in hopes to kindle new relationships. Depending on the number of people interested, different groups may be created. You'll meet at one home for the appetizer, travel to another home for the main course, then everyone will gather together at the church for dessert. There are sign-up sheets at both churches. Please sign up by the end of December if you are interested. Due to the holiday schedules, we plan to start in January. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kim Sawyer or Jennifer Keister.



## ***CULC NEWS***

### **Communication to the Congregation from the Council:**

- The regular annual congregational meeting is scheduled to be held after worship on Sunday, December 10. Items on the agenda will be the 2024 budget and Council elections.
- Our congregation is responsible for supplying food items towards the Wildcat Weekend Food Program (formally Mifflinburg backpack program) that supplies needy children who attend Mifflinburg Area Elementary and Intermediate School.
- December 24 falls on a Sunday and here are the services for that day:
  - o 10:00 a.m.: Christ's United (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent Service)
  - o 4:00 p.m.: Christ's United
  - o 7:00 p.m.: First Lutheran
  - o 10:00 p.m.: First Lutheran

### **Volunteer Needs**

- Council is looking for members willing to be placed on the ballot for the upcoming election for congregation Council positions. If interested, please talk to a current Council member or Pastor Curt.
- We are looking for at least one member willing to volunteer to teach/lead adult Sunday School after our worship services. If interested, please reach out to Pastor Curt. He has access to materials and videos.
- We are still in need of additional offering counters after worship services. If interested, contact Barry Spangler (570-966-0406).





## **Remember Our Shut-Ins And Members In The Service**

When making out your Christmas cards this year, be sure to send some to our shut-ins and service members.

### **Shut-Ins:**

Winifred Aikey  
228 N 8<sup>th</sup> St  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Florence Boop  
1795 Swengel Rd  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Betty Goss  
270 Ridgecrest – Apt 307  
Lewisburg PA 17837

Helen Pirone  
Rolling Hills Manor  
17350 Old Turnpike Rd  
Millmont PA 17845

Dottie Rathfon  
515 Swarey Rd  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

### **You might also think about sending a card to these members on our prayer list:**

Roger Dunkle  
702 Buffalo Creek Rd  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Louise Ritter  
138 Meadow Green Dr  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Darlene Endy  
81 Walnut St  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Larry Sampsell  
244 Scottsdale Dr  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Pearl Gemberling  
820 Lisburn Rd – Apt 606  
Camp Hill PA 17011

Sam & Ethel Schnure  
1990 Green Ridge Rd  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Gary & Janet Hackenberg  
414 Buggy Lane  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Lee & Kathy Spangler  
233 Buffalo Creek Rd  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Eve Rantz  
612 Walnut St  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

Tom Watters  
3920 Pleasant Grove Rd  
Mifflinburg PA 17844



### **Mark Your Calendars for the Following 2024 Meals at CULC:**

January 13 – Ham Loaf Dinner  
March 2 – Pot Pie Quart Sale  
April 27 – Ham Loaf Dinner  
May 25 – Turkey Dinner  
September 28 – Turkey Dinner  
November 2 – Pot Pie Quart Sale

## Notes of Appreciation

--Thank you so much for the chicken dinners from the church. It was a very nice surprise and greatly appreciated. A special thank you to Greg & Teresa Shuck for delivering to Bob and I. ~ Eve & Bob Rantz

--On behalf of Roger, Becky, and myself, I want to thank whoever is responsible for the meals that were delivered from the Senior Member Dinner. Although completely unexpected, they were very much appreciated. Thank all involved, including Terry Kline, who brought them to us. ~ Margie

--To Kim and all the Helpers: Thank you so much for the wonderful meal you provided for our family! We are so appreciative of all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes. It has not gone unnoticed. We are so blessed to have churches and people that are so loving and willing to help with those that are in need. Our family is one of those that can't thank you enough. Your servant heart has helped us so. Blessings to each one of you. ~ Pat, Terry & Scott Kline, Lori Hopta.



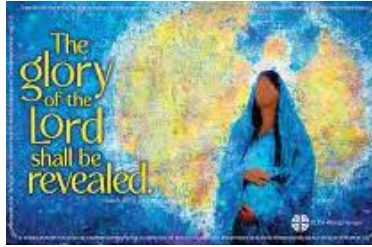
## ***FELC NEWS***

### **Free Community Meat at FIRST**

First Lutheran will be serving a free community meal on **Saturday, December 2, from 11:00 – 12:30**. All are welcome! Please enter the door in the alley behind the church. Upcoming meals for the next quarter will be held on **January 5, February 2, March 1**.

### **Congregational Meeting**

The meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, December 3**. The purpose of the meeting is the adoption of the 2024 operating budget and capital budget. Copies are available in the back of the sanctuary. In addition, the election of council members for a 3-year term will be held. The nominees are: Shirley Heasley, Linda Lewis, and Barb Randecker. Nominations from the floor may only be made if the nominee has agreed.



ELCA ADVENT CALENDARS are available for all families and individuals ...please take one!! They will be in the back of the church located on the small table or see an usher. Sorry, no chocolates in this advent calendar, just meaningful scripture to prepare you for the Advent/Christmas season. (Share one with a friend, too; there are plenty.)

## HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

### Upcoming Program



Starting **Sunday, December 3**, through **Sunday, December 24**, we will once again be collecting winter hats, scarves, gloves, and mittens to help keep our local school children warm. A small Christmas Tree and a collection box will be set up in the hallway in which to place your donations. Thank you in advance for helping to provide this service to our school-age students.

### Rehearsing with the Choir for the 7 pm Christmas Eve Service



Starting in December (12/3, 12/10, 12/17) any person (young or old) willing to sing "Do You Hear What I Hear?" with the choir for the 7 pm Christmas Eve service, is invited to attend rehearsal immediately following the church service.

Because the choir is rehearsing after church, **the choir will not be meeting on Wednesdays during the winter months (Dec., Jan., Feb.)**. The Tone Chime choir will be meeting on Wednesday (12/20) at 6:30 pm.

### Music for Christmas Eve - For the 7 pm Christmas Eve Service

Diane would like to invite young musicians to play at offertory/communion time. If interested, please sign up on the bulletin board or see Diane Scott.





## **Christmas Offering**

Our Christmas offering this year will be designated for the Helping Hands Fund, which assists local people with rent, utilities, car repairs, etc. Please give generously to help us to continue providing this ministry. To give to this outreach, please write “Christmas” on your checks or envelopes or use the designated “Christmas Offering” envelope from the table in the back of the sanctuary. All loose offering, and designated monies collected during the Christmas Eve services will benefit this ministry.



## **Ways to Volunteer in December**

December is a very busy month in our church. We are asking all church members to check the hall bulletin board. There are a variety of sign-up sheets. Please take the time to check the board and consider volunteering and/or donating to one or more of these requests. Thank you.

## **Christkindl Events**

Believe it or not, it is Christkindl time again. The dates are December 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, & 16<sup>th</sup>. Our church will once again host many events. This provides an opportunity for us to showcase our beautiful church. We have many visitors who come inside to listen to a performance or presentation or just to experience the beauty. We will need hall monitors to patrol the church during the events. All the information and instruction you will need is provided. Please sign up on the hall bulletin board. Thank you.

## **Kiwanis Food Drive**

The Mifflinburg Kiwanis Club will again be collecting food items for needy families to be distributed on Dec. 22nd. We ask that you **bring your donations to the church by Dec. 15th and place them in the box designated for Kiwanis.** Some suggestions might be: peanut butter, jelly, cereals, pancake mix, syrup, pastas and sauce, canned fruits or vegetables, soups, as well as paper products. This year we expect to have some infants to consider, so baby foods are also welcome. Thanks in advance for your help in caring for those less fortunate. Contact Sally Rothermel if you have questions.

## **Remember Our Shut-Ins When Sending Christmas Cards**



Mary "Lib" Dunkle  
89 E Market St  
Lutheran Village  
Mifflinburg PA 17844-1411

Lois Elliott  
Buffalo Valley

189 E Tressler Blvd  
Lewisburg PA 17837

Carol Mensch  
The Manor at Penn Village  
51 PA-204  
Selinsgrove PA 17870

Doris Moll  
2705 Blair St  
Montoursville PA 17754

Ethel Musser  
Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village  
189 E Tressler Blvd  
Lewisburg PA 17837

Barb Reed  
Heritage Springs Memory Care  
327 Farley Circle  
Lewisburg PA 17837

Dotty Seebold  
Heritage Springs Memory Care  
327 Farley Circle  
Lewisburg PA 17837

Jim Shipton  
828 N 4<sup>th</sup> St  
Mifflinburg PA 17844-8705

Ken & Pat Smith  
165 Meadow Green Dr  
Mifflinburg PA 17844-9507

Nancy Ulrich  
587 Johnson Mill Rd  
Lewisburg PA 17837-6929

Trena Zeller  
209 Scottsdale Dr  
Mifflinburg PA 17844

### **Offering Envelopes for 2024**

The offering envelopes for 2024 are on the table in the hallway outside of the sanctuary.

### **Monthly Coffee Hour**

There has been some interest in having a monthly coffee hour. In order to make this happen, we need folks to volunteer by making food items. We would like to have it the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. It will be held in the MPR following the service. We will need 2 or 3 people to volunteer each month. The set-up and beverages will be provided. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please consider signing up.



Don & I want to say “Thank You” for his fantastic 95<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 3. He received 105 cards and many birthday wishes. We are so blessed to have a great family and friends.  
~ Don & Erma Hower

Dear Friends at First Evangelical Lutheran,  
Thank you very much for your very generous donation to Camp Koala. We are grateful to have your support. Thank you for helping us reach more grieving children in our area. ~ Sincerely, Lisa Liebetrau



### **Christian Ed. Info**

We will only have a SPECIAL Young Followers Church on the SECOND Sunday of each month following the Young Followers message. We will be using the Sparks Story Bible that corresponds with the weekly scripture. These monthly lessons will include Sparks Story Reading, Coloring Page, and a Craft.

- ~ **December 10** Sparks Story [Mark 1:1-8](#) *John appears from the wilderness (Advent/Christmas Special Ideas, too)*
- ~ **January 14** Sparks Story [John 1:43-51](#) *The calling of the first disciples*
- ~ **February 11** Sparks Story [Mark 9:2-9](#) *Revelation of Christ as God’s beloved Son*
- ~ **March 10** Sparks Story [John 3:14-21](#) *The lifting up of the Son of Man (Lenten/Easter Special Idea, too)*
- ~ **April 14** Sparks Story [Luke 24:36b-48](#) *Eating with the risen Christ*
- ~ **May 12** Sparks Story [Acts 1:15-17, 21-26](#) *Matthias added to the apostles*
- ~ **June, July, August – off**

### **Young Followers Church Volunteer Schedule**

December 10 – Ann Beckley  
January 14 – Barb Randecker  
February 11 – Nicole Klose  
March 10 – Shirley Heasley  
April 14 – Christian and Buffy Boyer  
May 12 – Kortney McBryan

If you are unable to fulfill your month, please try to make an exchange with another month's volunteer. If that is not possible, contact one of the following substitutes: Sally Rothermel, Liz Loss, Sherri Neece, Mandy Rothermel, Libby Loss. If you are still unable to get a replacement, contact Ann Beckley. Lesson plans will be e-mailed to you two weeks prior to your assigned month.

### **Young Followers Activities**

If you would like to be added to the group texts, please contact Liz at 570-412-5598.

### **Share Your Faith with Our Youth**

If you wrote a devotional, what would it sound like? I am looking for some adults to share their faith journey, how they found faith, or where they have seen Jesus in their lives with our Young Followers (grades 6-12). Instead of having these youth read a devotional, I would like for them to hear a "live" devotional. Please reach out if you would be interested. Thank you! Liz: 570-412-5598.

## ***FOR YOUR INFORMATION***

### **Weis/Wenger's Gift Cards Offer**

Gift cards make wonderful gifts for college students, birthdays, weddings, ♥ day, holidays, birth of a new baby, a new neighbor....the list is endless.... such a useful gift!

**First Lutheran** - offers cards in denominations of \$25, \$50 or \$100.

Simply make checks payable to "First Lutheran Church" and use them as cash or the grateful recipient can do the same. Don Seebold will even deliver! Give him a call at 966-0727 or 412-1505. ***YOU receive the full value of the card and then Weis gives 5% & Wenger's gives 10% of the purchase to the FELC mission fund!***

**Christ's United** - Grocery cards can now be purchased from Idella Zimmerman. Available grocery cards in denominations of \$25 or \$50 will be for Weis Markets, L & L Marketplace, and Wenger's. If you would like to pay by check, it should be made payable to "Christ's United Lutheran Church" and put "Grocery cards" on the memo line.



### **CHRIST'S UNITED**

Winifred Aikey  
Paul Brann  
Roger Dunkle  
Darlene Endy  
Rozelle DeDe Ensminger  
Amy Evers  
Annette Feltman  
Gary Gemberling  
Pearl Gemberling  
George (Mick) Guffey  
Gary & Janet Hackenberg  
Scott Hummel  
John Keister  
Roy Laudermilch  
John Morrison  
Harry Moyer  
Dave Oberlin  
Eve Rantz  
Louise Ritter  
Larry Sampsell  
Sam & Ethel Schnure  
Lee & Kathy Spangler  
Tom Watters  
Jessica Wheeler  
Glenn Wiand

### **The Shut-Ins:**

Winnie Aikey, Florence Boop, Betty Goss,  
Helen Pirone, Dottie Rathfon.

*In an effort to keep the prayer list current, Christ's United will clear their current list on a quarterly basis. A new list will begin in January, April, July, and October. If you want to continue an existing prayer request or have a new prayer concern, please contact Margie.*

### **FIRST LUTHERAN**

Cathy Hower Brungard  
Amanda Galer  
Linda Lewis  
Logan Roush

### **The Shut-Ins:**

Mary Lib Dunkle  
Lois Elliott  
Carol Mensch  
Doris Moll  
Ethel Musser  
Barb Reed  
Dotty Seebold  
James Shipton  
Ken & Pat Smith  
Nancy Ulrich  
Trena Zeller

### **The Troops:**

Thaddeus Miller  
Zachary Miller



### **CULC BIRTHDAYS**

12/01 Kyle Blyler  
12/07 Adam Gemberling  
12/15 Chuck Spurr  
12/16 Jennifer Keister  
12/20 Kevin Shuck  
12/23 Judy Moyer  
12/27 Lisa Lapp  
Torey Showalter  
Brennan Snyder  
12/31 Garrett Wingert

### **FELC BIRTHDAYS**

12/04 Clayton Reed  
12/05 Clara Conrad  
12/06 Thomas Orren  
12/10 Bethany Umholtz-Boyer  
12/11 James Adams  
12/15 John Schnure  
12/19 Garrett & Gaven Girton  
12/20 Jeffrey Crossland  
12/23 Dave Weaver  
12/24 Jason Fritz  
12/27 Logan Mensch  
12/30 James Bailey  
12/31 Carol Schwartz





### **CULC ANNIVERSARIES**

12/06 Lance & Janice Wagner (1986)  
12/16 Rick & Darlene Endy (1977)  
12/20 Gary & Janet Hackenberg (1969)

### **FELC ANNIVERSARIES**

12/30 Jim & Carol Shipton (57 yrs.)



THE DEADLINE FOR  
ARTICLES FOR THE  
JANUARY NEWSLETTER  
IS **DECEMBER 20.**



## ***CAMP MOUNT LUTHER NEWS***

### **Young Adult Fellowship**

Camp Mount Luther's Young Adult Fellowship meets via Zoom on the last Wednesday of every month. On **December 27**, we will meet at **8:15 p.m.** for check-ins and Bible study. If you consider yourself a young adult, you can join us! Questions or want the link? Email [jim@campmountluther.org](mailto:jim@campmountluther.org).



## ***SYNOD NEWS***

### **July 26-20, 2024: ELCA Youth Gathering “Created to Be”**

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering is being held in New Orleans, Louisiana on July 16-20, 2024. Every three years, thousands of high school youth and their adult leaders from across the ELCA gather for a week of faith formation and fellowship known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through inspiring speakers, conversations with partners, Bible study and being immersed in the host city, young people will be inspired, challenged, and called to live out their faith in their daily lives. Additionally, young people will have opportunities to explore their vocation and discern where they are being called into this world. The 2024 Gathering theme is "Created to Be" which is centered around Psalm 139 with emphasis on verse 14 "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well". Questions? Contact the Upper Susquehanna Synod Gathering Synod Champion, Charlene Rineer ([ckrorange@yahoo.com](mailto:ckrorange@yahoo.com) or 717-880-2872).





# December

## VOLUNTEERS

### CULC

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Greeters:</b>	<b>Lay Reader:</b>	<b>Communion Assistants:</b>
12/03	Torrey Showalter	Barry Spangler	Barry Spangler
12/10	Judy Moyer	Maurice Clouser	Dianne Shuck
12/17	Katherine & Eugene Hassinger	Glenn Spangler	Glenn Spangler
12/24	Maurice & Barbara Clouser	Greg Shuck – 10 am	Janice Wagner
12/24		Lisa Lapp – 4 pm	Judy Moyer

**Sound System:** Barry Spangler

**Altar Guild:** Sherri Klauger

**Ushers:** Cliff Valentine & Jim Zimmerman

**REMINDER!** You are responsible for finding a substitute if you are unable to be here when scheduled. Altar Guild Members, Sound System Operators & Ushers are responsible for any special services scheduled during the month.

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### FELC

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Lay Reader:</b>	<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Acolytes:</b>
12/03	Jane Moore	Jane Moore/Dewey Reed	Evan McBryan
12/10	Linda Skinner	Jeff Crossland/Linda Skinner	Brynn Umholtz
12/17	Barb Randecker	Jeannie/Kim Sawyer	Erica Boyer
12/24	<b>AM Service at CULC</b>	<b>Service at CULC</b>	<b>Service at CULC</b>
12/31	Linda Lewis	Shirley Heasley/Carol Klose	Jane Moore

#### **Christmas Eve:**

<b>7:00</b>	Karen Boyer	Christian Boyer/Liz Loss	Ava McBryan
<b>10:00</b>	Jeff Mensch	Marianne Motto/Don Seebold II	Harry Boyer

**Young Followers:** 12/10 – Ann Beckley

**Chief Usher:** Jeff Mensch

**Money Counters:** Sue Jows/Jane Moore

**Altar Guild:** Carol Klose/Kim Wagner

**Volunteers, Please Note:** If you are scheduled to help with the service and are unable to fulfill your responsibility, please contact the head usher. If you are scheduled to count money and are unable to do so, please find a substitute.

# BUFFALO VALLEY LUTHERAN PARISH

**The Rev Curt Wingert, Pastor**

Pastor Curt's cell phone: 1-814-876-0974

Pastor Curt's e-mail: [pastorbuffalovalleyparish@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbuffalovalleyparish@gmail.com)

Parish Council Members: Shirley Heasley, Sue Jows, Jennifer Keister,  
Terry Kline, Kim Sawyer, Barry Spangler

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CULC Website: [www.4bellschurch.com](http://www.4bellschurch.com)  
CULC Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/4bellchurch>

## **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday – 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

## **STAFF MEMBERS**

**The Members of the Congregation,**

The Ministers

**Matthew Wagner**, Organist

**Diane Valentine & Karen**

Zimmerman, Pianists

**Barry Spangler & Dave Swartz**

Digital Music Arrangers

**Loretta Martin**, Custodian

**Margie Dunkle**, Secretary/Asst. Tr.

**Dianne Shuck**, Treasurer

**Janet Hackenberg**, Asst. Treasurer

**Tammy Boop**, Financial Recording  
Secretary

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Joel Blyler**, Worship & Music

**Kim Blyler**, Facilities & Administration

**Sue Blyler**, Eucharist/Visitation

**Bev Catherman**, Eucharist/Visitation

**Joe Dressler**

**Jennifer Keister**, President, Youth

**Terry Kline**

**Teresa Shuck**, Inreach/Outreach

**Barry Spangler**, Council Secretary, W&M

**Lee Spangler**, V Pres, Christian Education

**Idella Zimmerman**, Eucharist/Visitation

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FELC Website: [felcmifflinburg.org](http://felcmifflinburg.org)  
FELC Facebook: First Evangelical  
Lutheran Church Mifflinburg Pa

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## **STAFF MEMBERS**

**Sue Nentwig**, Church Secretary

**Katiann Lloyd**, Financial Secretary

**Diane Scott**, Director of Music

**Hank Dorman**, Sexton

**Kay Trick**, Housekeeping

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Jeff Mensch**, Council President

**Kim Sauers**, Council Vice President

**Linda Lewis**, Secretary

**Gloria Mincemoyer**, Treasurer

**Jamie Bartlett**, Council

**Christian Boyer**, Council

**Shirley Heasley**, Council

**Sue Jows**, Council

**Jane Moore**, Council

**Marianne Motto**, Council

**Don Seebold II**, Council



# December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> 9-11:00 Bring cookies for Community Meal-FELC	<b>2</b> 10:00 Tone Chimes-FELC 11-12:30 Free Meal-FELC
<b>3</b> 8:30 Worship-CULC 9:30 Koinonia Kafe-CULC 9:30 Sunday School-CULC 10:30 Worship-FELC Choir Rehearsal-FELC 6:00 Advent Candlelight-FELC	<b>4</b> Apple Dumpling Baking-CULC 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC 6:00 Kiwanis-FELC	<b>5</b> Apple Dumpling Baking-CULC 3-8:00 MPR Reserved-FELC 6:30 Scouts-FELC	<b>6</b> 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC 6:30 Council-FELC <b>No Rehearsal-FELC</b>	<b>7</b> Kitchen Reserved-CULC 1:00 WELCA-FELC	<b>8</b> Kitchen Reserved-CULC	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 8:30 Worship-CULC 9:30 Sunday School-CULC 10:30 Worship-FELC Choir Rehearsal-FELC	<b>11</b> 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC	<b>12</b> 6:30 Scouts-FELC	<b>13</b> 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC <b>No Rehearsal-FELC</b>	<b>14</b> Christkindl	<b>15</b> Christkindl 11:00 Ham & Green Bean Dinner-FELC	<b>16</b> Christkindl
<b>17</b> 8:30 Worship-CULC 9:30 Sunday School-CULC 10:30 Worship-FELC Choir Rehearsal-FELC	<b>18</b> 1:30 Parish Bible Study-FELC 6:00 Kiwanis-FELC	<b>19</b> 6:30 Scouts-FELC 7:00 Council-CULC	<b>20</b> 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC 6:30 Tone Chimes-FELC <b>Jan. Newsletter Articles Due</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>  10 am - CULC 4 pm - CULC 7 pm - FELC 10 pm - FELC	<b>25</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 	<b>26</b> 6:30 Scouts-FELC 6:30 Council-Messiah	<b>27</b> 10:00 Hope's Haven-CULC <b>No Rehearsal-FELC</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b> 10:00 Lessons & Carols-FELC						

