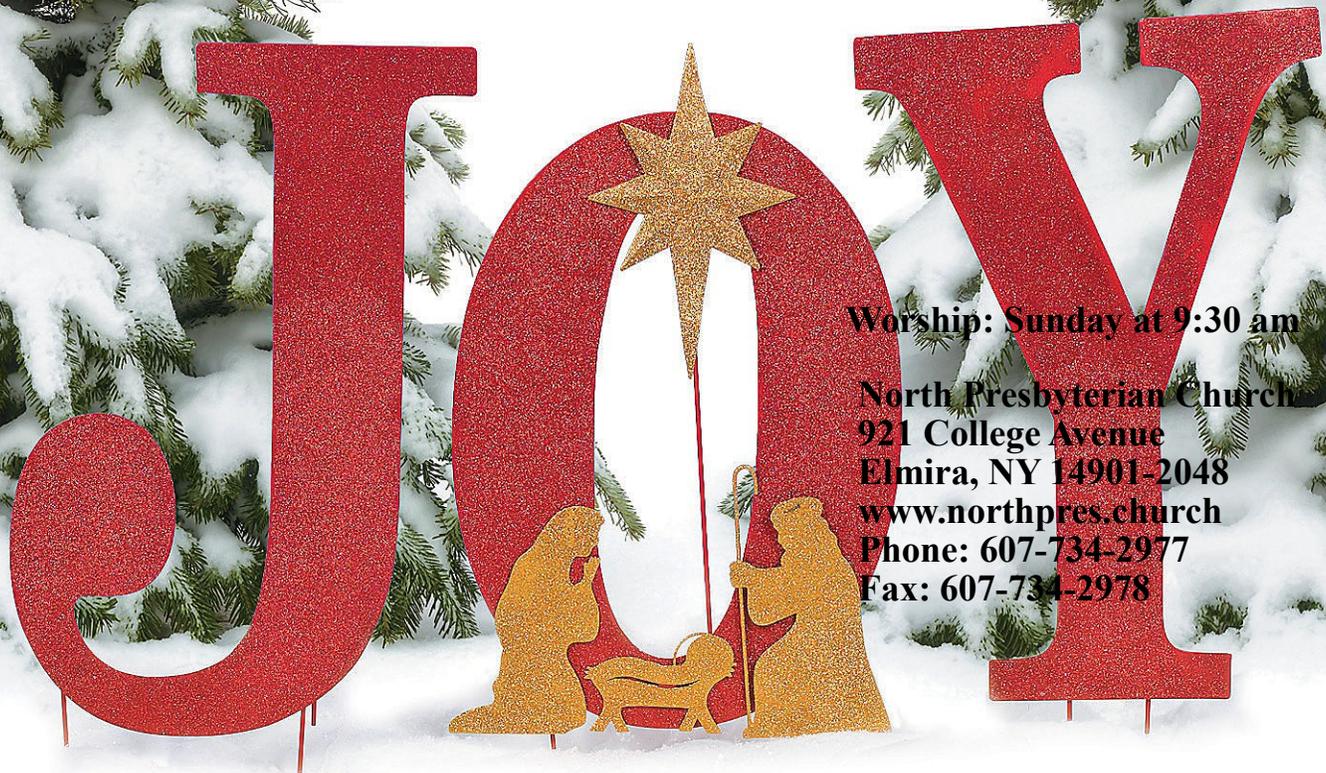


NORTH STAR

December 2021

Making Disciples - Making a Difference



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September, 2021
A Letter from Pastor Hansen

In this upcoming liturgical year, I plan to use this space to occasionally explore and reflect upon “why we do what we do” or “why we say what we say” in our Sunday worship service. If you have questions about why we do certain things or say certain things, please ask. Chances are that you are not the only one with that question.

For example, one Sunday, someone asked me what the word “quick” refers to in the Apostles’ Creed. The creed states that we believe that Christ Jesus will “come to judge the quick and the dead.” “Quick” is an older way of saying “living.” We could just as easily say “he shall come to judge the living and the dead,” and, in fact, some versions of the Apostles’ Creed use “living” rather than the older “quick.”

Every Sunday, we exchange the peace of our Lord. Prior to COVID, the sharing of the peace was marked not only by people saying “May the peace of the Lord be with you” and responding “and also with you,” but often there were handshakes and hugs, smiles and quick conversations. While many truly enjoy this part of the service, not everyone does. There are some who see the sharing of the peace as loud, chaotic, and disruptive. Finally, those who plan worship are often faced with the dilemma of “how do we get people back to their seats?”

So why do we exchange the peace every Sunday? It is not because it is required. We have the freedom to incorporate it into our service or to remove it altogether. So, why do we do it? One answer is tradition. However, when we look behind the tradition, we find that the practice has a deep theological meaning and a biblical basis.

The exchange of the peace is an ancient Christian practice. Justin the Martyr wrote in 140 AD that the Christians in Rome greeted the newly baptized with the “kiss of peace” prior to them receiving the Lord’s Supper for the first time. (Bradshaw, 15). We also know that early Christian communities incorporated the “kiss of peace” into their regular celebration of the Lord’s Supper as a symbol of the familial relationship created between them by the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ. (Bradshaw, 48).

In our tradition, the sharing of the peace remains tied to our understanding of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord’s Supper. We believe that the sacraments proclaim our unity with each other in and with Jesus Christ. The sharing of the peace is a weekly affirmation that we are united and reconciled to one another solely through Jesus Christ in communion with the Holy Spirit into the one body of Christ, the Church.

Reconciliation does not happen without repentance. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said “So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.” Matthew 5:23-24 (NRSV). If we are to be reconciled through Christ, we must seek peace with each other through Christ; and that, requires us to repent and to seek forgiveness through Christ, not only from God, but from those we have harmed.

Yes, the sharing of the peace can be loud, it certainly can be chaotic, it absolutely disrupts the service, and there is always the dilemma of getting people back to their seats; but that’s the point. Repenting, seeking forgiveness, and being reconciled to one another through Jesus Christ is so important – that we are called to interrupt our plans, our worship services, our busy lives and to drop everything, including our sense of decorum and orderliness; and take the time to accomplish it. Even if means pausing each Sunday to give one another time to return to our seats.

Warmly in Christ,

Pastor Evan



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JUST A LITTLE *Reminder*



If you would like to donate Chancel flowers (\$35), please contact Lori Lee at 739-3176.

Available Sundays for January 2022 are:

January 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30.

Please take the flowers home to enjoy after the service.

If you are not in the sanctuary on your chosen date,

we will be in touch with you to make a plan.

December Worship Volunteers

Tech Booth

December 5 Steve Allison
December 12 Ed Wilson
December 19 Bill Furnas
December 26 Steve Allison

Counters

December 5 Phil Carpentier, Jeff Richards
December 12 Cindy & Kurt Kalweit
December 19 Annette Stevens, Jim Mosher
December 26 Dolores Cummings, Janice Williams

Ushers

December 5 Jerry Russell, Joe Rolls, Bob Russell
December 12 Wendy Swatling, Barb Duryea
December 19 Amanda Korfmann, Ann Motley
December 26 Tim & Cheryl Allison

Wee Worship

December 5 Liz Wilson, Brenna Wilson
December 12 Brenna Wilson, Deb Stamp
December 19 Ann Motley, Becky Kowulich
December 26 Allie & Scott Sevey

Communion

December 5 Suzie Hoskins, Tim Allison, Cindy Kalweit
Kurt Kalweit, Ann Motley
December 19 Linda Palmer, Steve Allison, Ann Motley
Suzie Hoskins, Tim Allison

Worship Assistant

December 5 Wendy Swatling
December 12 Tim Allison
December 19 Linda Palmer
December 26 Suzie Hoskins

Greeters

December 5 Sevey family
December 12 Janice Williams
December 19 Linda Palmer
December 26 Jerry Harding



December 5:
Jay Densberger

December 12:
Peg Densberger

December 19:
Chloe Donovan

December 26:
Barb Duryea

**Jesus tells us
to pray without ceasing
for the good of God's people.**

Our Homebound Friends

December 5:
Margery Schornstheimer
758 Silver Pine Dr.
St. Augustine, 32092

December 12:
Norma Brooks
Colony Apartments
Apt. # 2020
1210 W. Water St.
Elmira, NY 1495



December 19:
Rita Dery
550 Wilmette Ave.
217
Ormond Beach, FL 32174

*Please send a
card to our
Homebound
Friends
today!*

December 26:
Mary Theresa Gublo
456 Roe Ave.
Elmira, NY 14901



**We would like to remind everyone that they
are welcome to attend Session Meetings.**

**If you are interested in attending one, please
contact the church office.**



Weekly Prayer Chain Email

Did you know that you can pray or be
prayed for? You are invited to let the church
office know how you would like to be
involved.

We are stronger together.



CHILDREN & YOUTH



Children and Youth Ministry December 2021

Stuffing Stockings, decorating cookies and planning Christmas Eve for the kids - all things that say welcome to December!!! We just ended a very busy November. On October 31st we held a Halloween party for all the kids. It was a wonderful, spooky time with yummy food, lots of fun games, cookie decorating and messy, but fun, crafts for everyone. Our Harvest dinner was held on November 6th. Over 300 dinners were sold and a wonderful group of volunteers helped make it a success. We offered the dinner as pickup and delivery, with walk in orders on Saturday. But we had so many pre-orders we had to hang a "Sold out" sign on the church sign out front. Twenty turkeys were cooked this year so we might be looking at twenty plus for next year! On Nov. 20th we had a fun group of ladies who came in on their free Saturday and baked dozens of cutout cookies for the "Hanging of the Greens" on Nov. 21st. Youth Ministry had Christmas cookie decorating and a snow globe candy jar craft for the children while the grown ups decorated the church. Cookies were packed in holiday tins for our NPC shut-ins and the rest have been popped in the freezer for our Dec. 1 Fellowship Dinner. On December 4th the Jr/Sr high youth group will be stuffing stockings for the Pantry Christmas stockings. The stockings will be handed out on Dec. 11th from 10:00-1:00. We are looking forward to being together on Christmas Eve and excited to get working on the service. Please come and join us as we celebrate the Lord's birth with our family and friends. May your holidays be blessed with peace, love and good cheer!!!

Blessings in Christ,

Deb Stamp

Dir. of Children and Youth Min.

The Birth of Jesus

Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world.

Find these six people in the crowd.

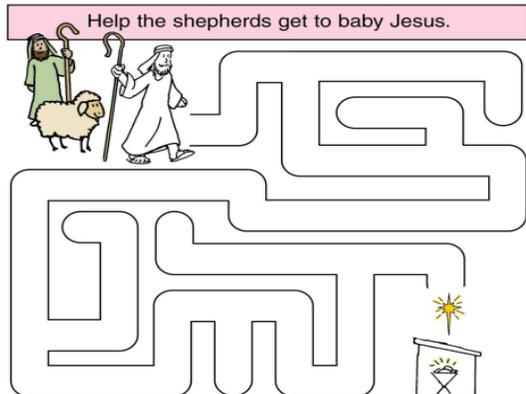


Welcome to Worship!
You are loved!

Shepherds Visit Baby Jesus

The shepherds said, "Let's go to Bethlehem to see the baby that the Lord has told us about."

Help the shepherds get to baby Jesus.



Welcome to Worship!
You are loved!

Did You Know?



- Per NYS mandatory COVID-19 guidelines, all persons aged 2 years and up who are not yet fully vaccinated must wear masks and maintain social distancing.
- Currently, those who have been vaccinated will not be required to wear a mask while sitting, standing or singing.
- We will continue our contact tracing measures, for the time being.
- As long as there are fewer than 250 people in the building, we are authorized to use, and will use, the honor system in regards to vaccine status. We trust that persons will wear masks if they are not fully vaccinated.
- We will continue to use bulletin inserts for the music, for the time being. We hope to return to hymnals soon.
- The lyrics for the praise songs and hymns will continue to be sent with the Zoom link even after we return to using hymnals.



Parking Lot Worship:

- Please use only the North Entrance (towards Roe Ave.)
- Please tune your radio to 1700AM.
- Please exit through the South Entrance (towards the college).



Zoom Worship

- Zoom service Link will be emailed each week for those who would like to participate via Zoom.



Sanctuary Worship:

In order to comply with the CDC/NYS guidelines, the following COVID guidance remains in effect per the Session meeting on May 22, 2021:

- Seating during worship will remain socially distanced.
- **Worshippers who are NOT vaccinated are still required to wear a mask.**
- **Vaccinated worshipers are not required to wear masks while sitting, standing or singing.**
- Churches with fewer than 250 persons in worship may rely on the honor system for reporting vaccination status.
- **Congregants will still need to register at the Welcome Center.**
- **We will no longer be using the Maître D' for seating.**
- Friendship pads and hymnals have been removed from the pews to minimize contact transmission.
- The service will always appear on the large screen at the front of the church.



September Food Pantry
Shopping List:

The following items are needed this month for the Food Pantry:

- *Instant Mashed Potatoes*
- *Stuffing Mix*
- *Canned Yams/Sweet Potatoes*
- *Monetary donations are also welcome.*



Committee/Coordinator	Email Address
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Clerk of Session	session@northpres.church
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Music Director	music@northpres.church
Organist	organist@northpres.church
Pastor	pastor@northpres.church

Please note the Food Pantry will not be open on December 24th.



Meet the Staff

Pastor Evan Hansen
 Pastor
 pastor@northpres.church
 Open Door Office Hours: T & W 1:30-4pm

Paul Holland
 Music Director
 music@northpres.church

Sharon Reynolds
 Organist
 organist@northpres.church

Deb Stamp
 Director of Children & Youth Ministries
 youth@northpres.church

Gretchen Duffy
 Office Administrator
 office@northpres.church

NOTICE: As CDC/NYS guidelines change, please stay tuned to our FB page & website for updates.



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

“Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.” Hebrews 13-15-16 NIV

As 2021 draws to a close, I want to take a moment to express my appreciation for the North Church family. This is a loving, generous group of people. They are ready to step forward and meet any need presented. There are folks who will pray, who will teach, who will share, and they will reach out in friendship and support. Thank you, North Church, for praising God, for loving Jesus, for sharing the gifts of the Holy Spirit with those you encounter.

Peace and love to each of you,

Linda Palmer, Finance/Stewardship Committee

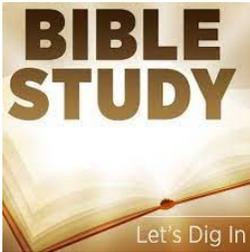
Thank you to all who pledged contributions for the 2022 Stewardship campaign.

Donation envelopes for 2022 will be available in the narthex starting on Sunday, December 12. If you would like to have your envelopes mailed to you, please call the church office at 607-734-2977.



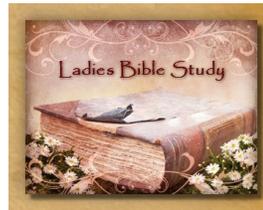
“Stewardship in the sacred seasons of Advent and Christmas engages us in mutual giving-receiving with one another and with God.” - Rev. Dr. Neal Presa

Friendly Reminders

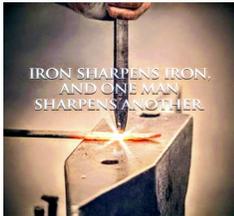


Wednesday Noon Bible Study

is meeting weekly and studying the book of Psalms. Please let Bobbi Furnas know if you would like a book (733-4712). Everyone is welcome and may bring their lunch!



Women's Bible Study is on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm and will study "Our Hope Has Come", celebrating the promise of Advent, beginning 11/9 and continuing for 5 weeks. Study books will be available at a cost of \$16 each. Please see Suzie Hoskins for a book.



Men's Bible Study will be Mondays at 6:00 pm. Please contact Kurt Kalweit if you are interested.



Sunday SCHOOL

ROOTED IN GOD'S WORD
Growing in Faith Together

Adult Sunday School is meeting after worship each week. They are studying Paul's letter to the Philippians.



Sunday School is meeting after worship each week. This year's curriculum is "Gospel Light".



The Good News Singers' practices are from 10:45 to 11:00 am Sundays.



Bell Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:00 pm.



From the Board of Deacons

If you are aware of any member or former member of our church family who is sick, hungry, injured, hospitalized or homebound, please contact us at 607-734-2977. With the Pandemic still going on, it is hard to know who is in need of pastoral care, unless informed.

God Bless,
The Board of Deacons
Congregational Life



Presbyterians Today



An Interactive Advent and Christmas Devotional

Bread making as a spiritual practice

This year's devotional invites you to be part of building a tighter-knit community right where you are. Share the devotional with friends and family. Read and reflect together as a small group meeting over Zoom or in person. You are also encouraged to bake bread and share the loaves as gifts with others.

Each Friday in Advent, a bread recipe will be offered. You are invited to make more than one loaf, so that you can share one and keep the other to be part of your Sunday Advent practice of having a simple meal as you light the candle on the Advent wreath.

Enjoy the bread as you light the Advent candle as part of your breakfast or later in the day for supper. For either meal, keep it simple: bread, butter and jam for breakfast or bread and soup for dinner. Advent was originally viewed as a winter Lent. So, a focus on simple meals during a season of holiday feasting is a wonderful spiritual practice.

And for those whose baking skills are not the best or if time for bread making is not possible, seek out artisan bread in your neighborhood at bakeries or specialty shops. The local bakers will appreciate the extra business.

Presbyterians Today

Start Your Advent Bread Making

Amish Friendship Bread

We begin the first week of Advent, which starts Nov. 28, with a recipe for Amish friendship bread. It is called “friendship” because it has been described as the “chain letter” of bread making, with a sourdough starter that is made in advance and shared with friends to make their own bread. You can make this by or, if you prefer, you can adapt and take a

shortcut and opt to make a loaf of quick bread either from scratch or from a box. Go to

friendshipbreadkitchen.com/amish-friendship-bread. Make sure to log onto the online devotional for weekly bread recipes to make and share.





Faith &
Fellowship
Wholeness of mind, body & spirit



Coffee Fellowship

The fellowship committee is now providing individually wrapped snacks for coffee hour In Willits Hall on Sunday mornings following worship.

We hope to see you there!



Fellowship Meal

The next Fellowship Wednesday night will be held on December 1 at 5:30 pm. The menu features slow-roasted Pot roast, accompanied by potatoes and carrots roasted in the oven. We will offer a salad for those who would care for one as well as baked chocolate chip cookie bars for dessert.

Please call Gretchen at 7342977 to make reservations so we can plan accordingly for seating and number of meals to prepare Deadline for reservations is NOON, NOVEMBER 30.

Hope to see you all there,
Fellowship Committee

Children & Youth Ministry



Christmas stockings for our Food pantry families will be assembled by the Jr./Sr. high members of the youth group on Saturday, December 4th at 10 am.
Bagels, fruit, juice and coffee will be provided.
If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Deb Stamp.

The Christmas stockings will be distributed on December 11th from 10am to 1pm.
Thank you so much to all who donated items!

children's program



Children and Youth will participate in a Christmas pageant this year. The pageant will take place during the Christmas Eve service at 4pm. If you're interested in participating, please contact Deb Stamp.



We in Youth Ministry cannot thank all of our Harvest Dinner volunteers enough for all the hard work they put in. We had such an amazing group of people and we had so much fun. We took in a little over \$3200.00 before vouchers are subtracted so, I would declare this Harvest dinner a success. A big thank you must go out to our congregation who supported us by buying dinners as well as donating pies and 20 turkeys. On a personal note, I would like to give a great big thank you to Barb Duryea who was my partner in crime. She kept me focused on the goal ahead, when I was feeling unsure that we could pull it off, and gave me plenty of reasons to break into laughter at a moment's notice. I have to say this year was by far the most fun we've had in a long time and I think we were well over due!!! Blessings, Deb Stamp and Youth Ministry

Harvest Dinner 2021 Volunteers

Karen Wilson, Vicki Balon, Dee Cummings, Jeff and Pat Richards, Ann Motley, Kate, Evan and David Hansen, Bonnie Perry, Cindy Kalweit, Bobbi Furnas, Wendy Swatling, Suzie Hoskins, Joe Rolls, Tim Allison, Allie and Scott Sevey, Jim Palmer and Doug Draxler, Jim Casselberry, Janice Williams.

DECEMBER

Events



Advent

Midweek Worship Services

will begin on December 1st.
at 7:00 pm

*Mid-Week
Bible Study*

There will be no Wednesday
noon bible study on
December 22nd.



Saturday, December 11th.

Christmas Services

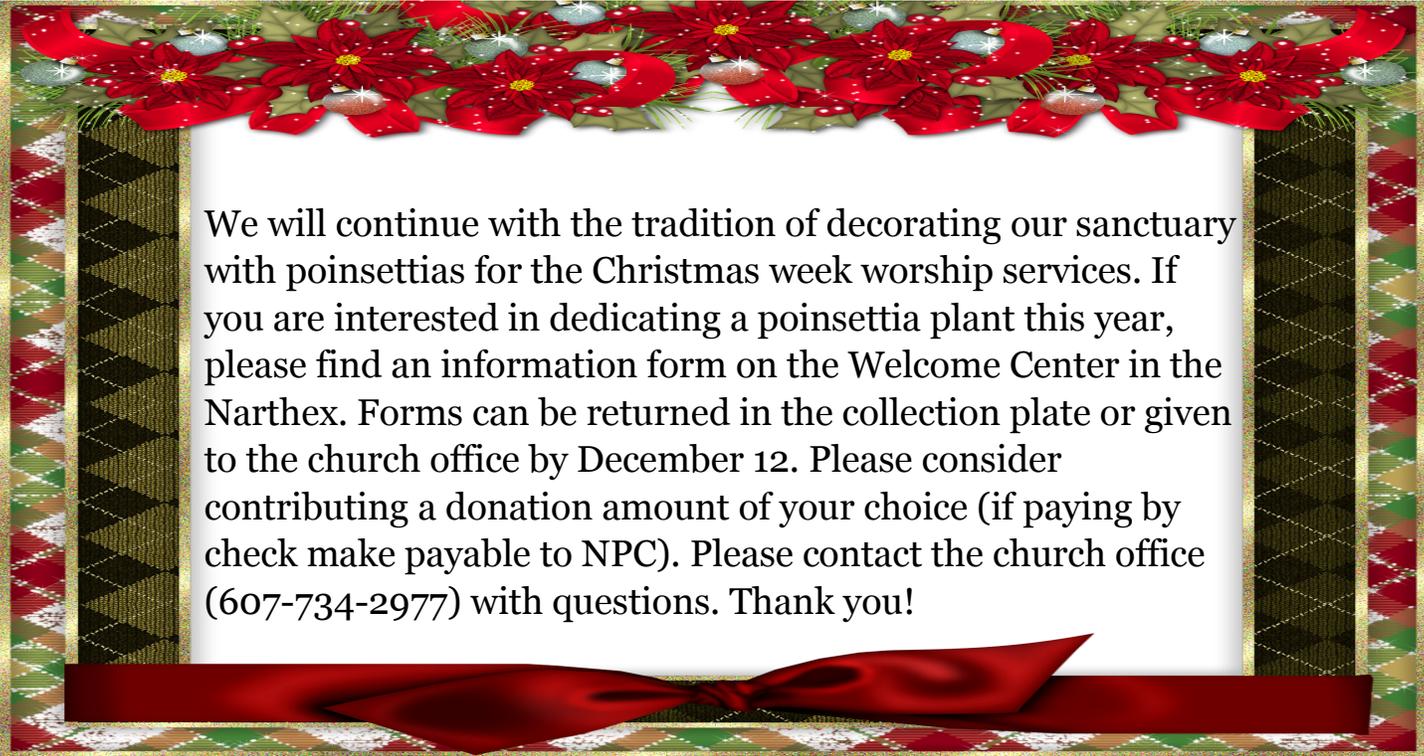
Christmas Eve Services will be on December 24th at 4pm and
7pm. The children's service is at 4pm. There will be no
worship service on Christmas Day.



**Christmas Caroling for our Shut-ins will be on
December 12th from 2pm—?
If you're interested in joining us, please contact Tim
Allison or George Batrowny.**

**Due to COVID concerns we will remain outside, so
please dress warmly! Masks are not mandatory but
encouraged due to the inability social distance and
concern for the health of our shut-ins. Refreshments
will be provided after caroling in Willits Hall by the
Worship and Music Committee.**

Please join us!



We will continue with the tradition of decorating our sanctuary with poinsettias for the Christmas week worship services. If you are interested in dedicating a poinsettia plant this year, please find an information form on the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Forms can be returned in the collection plate or given to the church office by December 12. Please consider contributing a donation amount of your choice (if paying by check make payable to NPC). Please contact the church office (607-734-2977) with questions. Thank you!



CHRISTMAS JOY
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
LEADERSHIP, PAID, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

Join us!

God is
with us.

— MATTHEW 1:23

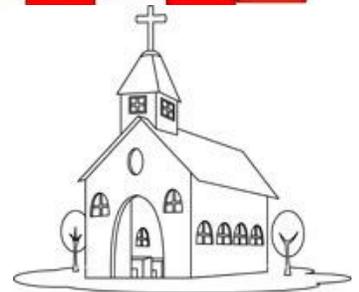
Each year during the Advent and Christmas season, we turn our eyes to Bethlehem and celebrate the wondrous gift of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

By giving to the Christmas Joy Offering, you honor God's gift of Jesus Christ by providing assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.

THE PERFECT GIFT.

The church offices will be closed on Friday, December 24 and Monday, December 27 in observance of Christmas. The church office will also be closed on Friday, December 31 for New Year's Day.

REMINDER



It's time to start thinking about our Annual Report. Report submissions are due to Gretchen by the end of the first week of January.

NPC Board of Session

Session Summary

6:00 p.m. Sunday, November 21, 2021

The Clerk determined that a quorum was present.

Rev. Hansen called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with prayer led.

The minutes of the October 17, 2021 stated Session meeting were and the October 24, 2021 Special meeting were reviewed and approved.

The Session reviewed the Financial Statements including the Profit and Loss Budget Performance for September and the Account Activity Summary for the Endowment Fund. \$30,000 was transferred from the Endowment Fund in October to pay bills. Year-to-date pledge income is ahead of budget. The Treasurer's report was received, with thanks, by the Session.

Session reviewed and discussed a draft of the 2022 proposed budget. The budget will be submitted to Session at the December 19th meeting for approval.

Session approved a transfer of proceeds of \$5,000 from ESB Certificate of Deposit to the Endowment Fund/Investments as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Session approved 7:00 p.m. for the time for the second Christmas Eve Service as recommended by the Worship and Music committee. Communion will be served at the 7:00 p.m. service as previously approved by Session. The family service will be held at 4:00 p.m. as previously approved by Session.

Session approved January 23, 2022 as the date for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation and the Congregational Meeting to consider and approve the Terms of Call was approved by Session. Details for the meeting (time and if a meal will be served) will be determined at the December Session meeting.

Session reviewed a draft of the NPC Youth Protection Policy.

The meeting adjourned in prayer at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Kalweit,
Clerk of Session

It's That Time of Year Again!

It is time to start thinking of our home-bound members and making their Christmas season a little brighter. The box with Christmas cards and the red mail box to put them in, is on the Welcome Center. They will be available November 28th through December 16th in packs of 16. Please take some card and make one out for each of our home-bound friends, putting only their name on the front of the envelope. Please return to the mailbox on the Welcome Center by Thursday, December 16th so the Deacons will be able to deliver/mail them in time for Christmas. Please contact the church office or Bobbi Furnas with any questions. Thank you!



From the Presbytery



Call for Young Adult Advisory Delegates

The Committee for Representation (CoR) is issuing a call for Young Adult Advisory Delegates (YAADs) to attend the General Assembly (GA) in 2022 in Louisville, KY June 18-July 9. The Assembly will be a hybrid of on-line and in person meetings. Both a primary and alternate delegate will be selected.

Important Dates

Saturday June 18, 2022 – Online Plenary 1, 2, 3

Sunday June 19, 2022-Online Worship – Juneteenth Service

June 20 – July 2, 2022 – Louisville Committee Meetings

July 5 – 9, 2022 – Online Plenary 4-17

Interested persons must be between the ages of 17 and 23 as of June 2022 and should submit a resume stating their interest to the Committee by July 31, 2021. The resume should include

- Name of church currently attending
- Roles/experiences that they have filled in their church
- Reason for interest in being a YAAD
- Other volunteer opportunities that they have done in the community
- Leadership -What leadership opportunities have you experienced? What future leadership roles

are you interested in fulfilling?

- Tell the committee about yourself. How have you experienced life over the past two years? What are your interests? How have you experienced God in your life?

The YAAD should be prepared to provide a reflection on their experience at the GA either individually or as part of a report by the other delegates.

Resumes should be submitted electronically to the CoR Chair, Barry Winters at

maz1960rc@gmail.com

From the Presbytery



Speaker and author Missy Buchanan offers up lessons around an iconic bridge to the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network's conference

The PC(U.S.A.) recently released an article discussing how older adults can build bridges to young people through intergenerational ministry. Missy Buchanan, speaker at the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Network national conference, reminds us that, "Our own faith formation is tied up in how we engage the faith formation of younger generations. If we're not participating in the faith formation of others, we will stagnate, we will stall and we will no longer grow."

To read the article in its entirety, please visit :

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/bridging-the-generation-gap/>



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Bulletin Info Due 10:00 am Food Pantry 12:00 pm Bible Study 1:30 pm Pastor's Office Hours 6:00pm Bell Choir Practice 7:00 pm Advent service w/ Communion 	2 8:45 am Yoga 12:00 pm Blood Drive	3 10:00 am Food Pantry 5:15 pm AA Meeting	4
5 9:30 am Worship Service 9:30 am Communion 10:45 to 11:00 am Good New Singers practice Sunday School after worship 	6 5:30 pm TOPS 6:00 pm Men's Bible Study	7 8:45 am Yoga 1:30 pm Pastor's Office Hours 6:00 pm Women's Bible Study	8 Bulletin Info Due 9:30 am Finance Meeting 10:00am Food Pantry 12:00 pm Bible Study 1:30 pm Pastor's Office Hours 5:00 pm Worship & Music 6:00pm Bell Choir Practice 7:00 pm Advent service w/ Communion 	9 8:45 am Yoga 11:00 am Deacons' Meeting	10 10:00 am Food Pantry 5:15 pm AA Meeting	11 Saturday Workday
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