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# United Brethren in Christ Church



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## The Lord's Day

### December 3, 2017

Prelude Opening Hymn #125 The Advent of our Lord #122 & 123 Kids Korner Offering Songs of Praise Bible Message Closing Hymn #315 Benediction

<u>TODAY</u>

- 8:30 and 10:45 Worship and Preaching
- 9:50 Children's Christmas program

WEDNESDAY

5:30 - Snak Shak (basement)

- 6:30 groups for children, youth, and adults
- 7:40 Adult choir

NURSERY HELP needed ... Two slots where an additional person is needed, Dec. 17 (1<sup>st</sup> service) Dec. 31 (combined service) See Cindy Rawley with questions



Ladies Christmas Tea is TODAY at 1:00 in Multipurpose Room. Christmas love is shared in music, fun, and fellowship. Decorative greenery arrangements will be made, hostess gifts demonstrated, many door prizes will be given and

Secret Sisters will be revealed following the program.

Last Week			
Attendance	231		
General	\$ 4,675.50		
Missions	\$ 1,873.50		
Building Fund	\$ 3,087.50		
Sunday School	\$ 131.50		

Dec. - First Service Ushers Bob Stoner - Head Usher Perry Norris Gene Weagley Ed Tracey Sean Tracey

#### WELCOME TEAM

- Dec. 3 Tom & Christopher Keely
- Dec. 10 Ben Widder
- Dec. 17 Scott Garling
- Dec. 24 Gary & Grant Murray
- Dec. 31 Jim Hart

FYI ... December 24 and 31 ... combined Worship service (9:00) and no Sunday School classes. We will not be offering a New Year's Eve celebration this year as we usually do. Also ... no Wednesday evening activities on Dec. 20 and 27.

Pastor: David Rawley		This Week	Next Week
rawley@centurylink.net (717) 597-3211 Youth Director:	1 <sup>st</sup> Nursery	Connie Tracey & Judy Bowman	Deb Michalsky & Celina Stoops
Josh Lance 597-8525 ext. 12 504-5604 (cell) joshlance85@gmail.com	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nursery	Cindy Rawley	Cindy Rawley & Mary Lou Jones
Secretary: Carol Schwalm <u>office@greencastleub.org</u> 597-8525	Acolyte	Micah Ressler (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Klara Helman (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Josh Rayarao (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Keira Davis (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Hours 9 to 4 Tues/Wed/Thurs. Building/Van Scheduling: Holly Ressler	Greeters	Dave & Melanie Mercer	Gary, Daphne & Dara Murray
facility@greencastleub.org: 597-8525 Prayer Chain: 597-2531	Prelude		Courtney Norris
or Melarl@aol.com			

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On the bulletin cover is a picture of Chanel Wiest. Although Chanel is incarcerated, she became a member of OUB in 2017. It would be great to send Chanel some Christmas cards from her church family. She can receive cards but no "glitter" and plain white envelope only with no abbreviations in return address. We have printed labels with her address as well as return address labels with the church's address for you to use. You can find them on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. Thank you!

The results of last week's vote was as follows: Appointment Committee – Lori Akers and Charlie Try Congregational Representative – Roger Crider and Sharon Baumbaugh Many thanks to those who allowed their name on the ballot. We appreciate your willingness to serve our church family!



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Our Christmas drama this year will be presented on Friday, Dec. 22 (7:00) and Sunday, Dec. 24 (6:00). \*Note <u>times</u>. An original drama called CANAAN'S LAND will combine story with music and history. You will enjoy it! Invite friends and family to attend with you.

Jeff Bitner is collecting winter clothes/coats to help with outreach to homeless and needy. Drop them off in the basket in the lower entry way.



#### Next Sunday's Sermon: THE RISING SUN (Luke 1:77-78)



ALL MUSIC CHRISTMAS SERVICE DEC 17, BOTH SERVICES THIS SPECIAL SERVICE CONSISTS OF ANYONE FROM OUR CHURCH FAMILY SHARING A SPECIAL SONG OR A STORY/POEM. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING, CONTACT DAPHNE MURRAY (717-597-8830).

REMINDER - December 10 – Children's Christmas party during Sunday School.



Buy an ornament, bless a child. Alison Keely is involved in a ministry that helps impoverished areas by selling handcrafted items. She has Christmas

ornaments available to purchase to help orphans and vulnerable children receive food, shelter and education. There is a display of the ornaments as well as order forms in the church library. Any questions, contact Alison @ 301-733-3739.

#### OUB Table on the Square for Heritage Christmas

OUB has a table/presence in the downtown celebration and welcomes cookies to be given away. Friday nights ... December 1, 8 & 15. There is a signup sheet on the table in the lower lobby. You may bring the cookies to the church Friday afternoon or bring to the square.



Questions? Contact Bob or Fran Stoner @ 717/597-0189!

Planning is underway for 2018. If you would like to be added to the prelude schedule, please contact Daphne Murray (717-597-8830)



Senior News! Tue., Dec. 12, meet at 11:30 at the Bonanza Steakhouse, Chambersburg, across from Lowe's. Van leaves the church at 11:00! RSVP to Fran or Bob Stoner 717/597-0189.

## **HEALTHY CROP**

(Acts 11) Frightened by persecution, some Christians left Jerusalem and scattered to various places. These were laypeople, not apostles (cf, 8:1). They changed locations, but they did <u>not</u> change their conviction or practice of witnessing, persuading people to embrace and worship Jesus Christ. In Antioch, they appealed to nonreligious, unchurched folks. A large number responded! A church was born.

	<u>Message</u>	
$\checkmark$	the good news the	and
	of Christ (20)	
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/	Leaders	-1 +1
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$\checkmark$	<i>(24)</i> of challenges	a vision
-	for the lost (20)	a vision

#### **Culture**

- ✓ Wanted to grow; delighted to base their \_\_\_\_\_ on their \_\_\_\_\_ (26)
   ✓ Wanted to minute Christs delighted to be
- ✓ Wanted to mirror Christ; delighted to be \_\_\_\_\_\_
  with Christ (26)

#### **Outreach**

✓ They brought in people \_\_\_\_\_\_ (in church) was "evidence of the grace of God" (22)
 ✓ They were concerned about hearts and health \_\_\_\_\_\_ (27-30)

#### <u>Attitude</u>

 ✓ Witnessed and invited and encouraged even while \_\_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ themselves (20-21)
 ✓ Willing to work without \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ (20)