

Otterbein United Brethren in Christ Church



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A Church That
C.A.R.E.S.

146 Leitersburg Street, Greencastle, PA 17225
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The Lord's Day

December 11, 2022

Prelude
Hymn #162
Worship Music
Reading
Special Music
Bible Message
Hymn #120
Benediction

Isn't
this
the
carpenter's
son?
(Mt. 13.55)

Children's Church (:00 and 11:10)

TODAY

- 8:30/10:45 – Worship and Preaching
- 9:50 – Sunday School classes... children's classes = Christmas party

MONDAY

- Administrative Board meeting 6:30

WEDNESDAY

- 6:30 - groups for children, youth, and adults

There are 5 remaining Christmas Cards on the Missions Bulletin Board that need to be sent to the missionaries OUB supports. All the cards have postage on them. Please take a moment to let them know that we are thinking of them!

As we meet together to worship GOD, we also share our love and encouragement with ONE ANOTHER. We are not simply individuals sitting near each other, we are part of a body. This unity is symbolized by worshiping together. We are so GLAD that you are here with us today!

Last Week...	12/04/22
Attendance	279
General	\$ 12,291.00
Missions	\$ 2,373.50
Building Fund	\$ 2,522.50
Sunday School	\$ 280.50



Thank you to the Altar Guild and all the others who volunteered their time and talents to decorate the church for Christmas. Fantastic job!

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	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
1st Nursery	Deb Michalsky & Amy Fleming	Kristin Marconi
2nd Nursery	Heidi Myers	Combined Service
Acolyte	Grayson Murray 1 st Shelby Rife 2 nd	Caitlin Horner & Shelby Rife
Prelude	Jack & Micah Ressler	Diana Gruver
Greeters	Dot, Carol, Sandy Family	Barry & Charlotte Elliott



Altar Flowers for 2023
 The sign-up sheets are on the lower lobby table. Please print legibly and indicate who should be billed.

Results from the 11/27 OUB church election:

Appointment Committee: *Greg Elliott and Tom Keely*

Congregational Representatives: *Linda Dombrowsky and Dot Robinson*

* Thank to each person who allowed their name to be on the ballots!



Your \$12.99 ornament purchase helps to keep families of orphans and vulnerable children together one fair trade ornament at a time!

* Check out the display on the table at the top of the stairs.

Volunteering to Staff the Nursery during 1st & 2nd services is a way to show our young families that we are a church that C.A.R.E.S. The 2023 signup sheets are on the lower lobby table. Questions? Contact Michelle Norris at (717) 597-5999 or norrismp@comcast.net



Senior News! Meet for lunch at Stoner's Restaurant, Chambersburg at 1:00 p.m. on Tue., 12/13. RSVP to Fran or Bob Stoner by 12/12 at (717) 597-0189

THREE SUNDAYS IN A ROW... for these next 3 Sunday, the Sunday morning schedule will be different. Please note:

- * One combined service at 9:30
- * No Sunday School classes
- Dec. 18 - ALL MUSIC WORSHIP
- Dec. 25 - Christmas morning worship
- Jan. 1 - New Year's worship *No New Year's eve this year.



We're going Christmas caroling! Join us on Sunday evening, Dec. 18, at 5:00... If you have someone you would like a group to stop and sign to, please notify Pastor David.

Joseph

What do we know about Joseph? _____ (Mt. 1:18-19, 13:55)

Joseph believed Mary had been unfaithful to him (no other conclusion seemed possible!) He could see no way out except to part ways with her. But he was determined to do this in the way that brought the least possible hurt, attention, or condemnation upon her.

**True love combines _____ and _____ ... an appreciation of the person's divine value and human dignity. It is committed to*

_____ even while it is committed to _____. (1 Cor. 13:6-7)

Joseph acted as a father to Jesus... so well that he was often assumed to be his biological father (Mt. 13:35, Lk. 3:23, Jn. 1:45).

** True love includes that which is not its own. _____ its own self, dreams, accomplishments or biological family, love recognize _____ and _____ outside of itself. It is open minded! It seeks to supply*

leadership

or share the load simply because that is needed. To stabilize a perilous situation, Joseph offered himself. Adoption, fostering, handicapped care, blended families, etc. are examples of this triumph of love over selfishness or inconvenience. Authentic love is _____ by messy

conditions. (Mt. 7:32-36)

The miracle happened to Mary. She was "highly favored by God" and "blessed among women" and "the mother of my Lord" (Lk. 2:28, 42-43). Joseph did not receive such glory or distinction. He drew the straw of "supporting" this woman that he loved. He was present at the birth (Lk. 2:5-7, 16). He was expected to abandon his world in order to protect her child (Mt. 2:13). He taught Jesus a trade (Mt. 13:35 cf. Mark 6:3), but Jesus never supported Joseph financially.

** True love is not _____ or _____. Joseph was content to marvel at Jesus and play second fiddle to Mary (Lk. 2:33-34). He did not _____ for attention or acclaim. Love _____ rather than competes. (Rom. 12:9-10, 15, 1 Cor. 13:4-5)*