

GATHERING

Prelude: “‘Twas the Moon of Wintertime” (based on Hymn 61) Dale Wood
Invocation

Announcements and Passing the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is the light of our souls;

People: We rejoice in this light, great source of truth.

Leader: Christ is the light of our homes;

People: We rejoice in this light, great source of peace.

Leader: Christ is the light of the world;

People: We rejoice in this light, great source of hope.

Leader: Go out as Christ's true lights, dispersing the darkness of evil, for his grace, his power, his peace go with you.

People: Amen.

*Hymn: #63 “As with Gladness Men of Old”

Prayer of Confession (**Unison**)

God of the Bethlehem Star, everyone is searching for your light shining in the face of Christ. The Magi sought Christ simply to worship him, but Herod sought to appease his jealous anger. We confess that our motives for seeking Jesus are not pure. We do not simply come to worship, we come to Christ, asking his benefits of reassurance, health, wealth; asking him to fulfill the hundred petitions for not-so-important requests that we heap before him. But the Magi sought first the kingdom. Help us, God, to follow their example, putting our own needs in perspective, worshipping the Christ in love, content to be in your presence, and laying our gifts before you. Then we may journey, trusting that your goodness and light will accompany us all the days of our lives. Amen. (based on Matthew 2:1-16, 6:33)

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (p. 579)

Anthem: “The Snow Lay on the Ground” (Hymn 57)

8:00 – Solo – Stephan Englehart

10:30 – Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

First Scripture Readings: Ephesians 3:1-12 (p. 181); Isaiah 60:1-9 (p. 649)

*Hymn: #66 “We Three Kings of Orient Are”

Children’s Sermon

Children may leave for God’s Place for Boys and Girls

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-12 (p. 1)

Sermon: **EPIPHANY - MYSTERIES AND LIGHT**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Apostles Creed (p. 14)(Ecumenical Version)

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: “We Three Kings of Orient Are”

Raymond Haan

*Doxology (p. 592)

*Hymn: “Shine, Jesus, Shine” – Leacock Sings #10

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: “As With Gladness Men of Old”

Walter Pelz

The End of Worship

The Beginning of Service

*Those who wish may stand

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

VISITORS AND MEMBERS: WELCOME! During the offertory the Friendship Book will be passed from the end of the pew. Please sign it and indicate other information as appropriate. Pass the book back down the pew and notice the names of the other worshippers. Greet one another warmly after the service.

WORSHIP HOUR INFORMATION:

It is an ancient Scottish custom for the pulpit Bible to be brought into the sanctuary and placed by a layperson before the service begins.

8:00 a.m. Janet Huffman

10:30 a.m. Edwin Margerum

IN THE NURSERY (babies through 4 yrs.): 8:00 – Cathy Shenk

10:30 – Lauren & Ruth Anne Appel

The Sanctuary Flowers are given in memory
of Janice M. Homsher
By David and Karen Homsher and Family

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: Wesley H. III & Laura Lowery
Elizabeth, Mary, Wesley IV
11 Dusk Street
Quarryville, PA 17566

TODAY:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults

MONDAY:

7:00 a.m. PW Walk

7:30 a.m. PW Sunrise Bible Study & Breakfast

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:30 p.m. PW Meeting

TUESDAY:

1:00 p.m. Enfield Dr. Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Mtg.

7:00 p.m. Congregational Life Committee Mtg.

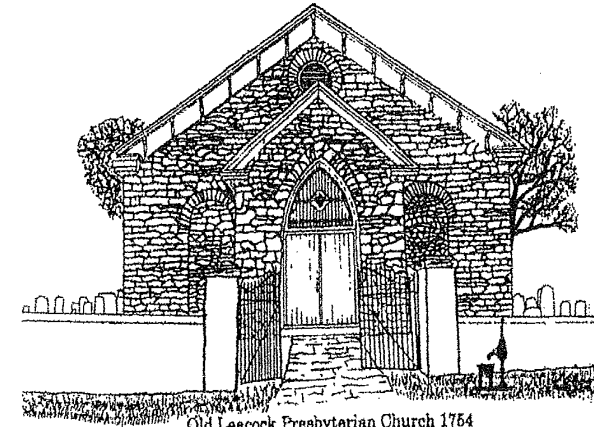
WEDNESDAY:

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Leacock Presbyterian Church

*First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in
1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.*



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THURSDAY:

9:30 a.m. PW Bible Study @ the home of Betty Sowers

6:00 p.m. The Factory Meal

7:30 p.m. Community Outreach Committee Mtg.

SATURDAY:

Session Retreat

2:00 p.m. Crossroads Class Mtg. @ the home of Ralph Homsher

NEXT SUNDAY:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Services of Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School for infants through adults

IN THE NURSERY: 8:00 – Skip Brackbill

10:30 – Mike Hartmann & Michele McLaughlin

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$9,102.70

Total in Organ Fund is \$66,781.71

All women interested in exploring the current or future status of Presbyterian Women at Leacock Presbyterian Church are to meet Monday, January 7th at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please call Kris Shirk with any questions you may have 687-8243.

The per capita is \$28.90 per member. Please use the envelope found in the beginning of your envelope box. This pays the overhead of our General Assembly, Synod, and Presbytery offices.

The January/February issue of *Presbyterians Today* is available free at the back of the sanctuary.

Please notify office of any changes to your address or phone number so we can get an updated list. Thank you.