

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2013

GATHERING

Prelude: “Prelude on ‘Aberystwyth’”
Invocation

Lyndell Leatherman

The Lighting of the Advent Candle
--8:00 service, The Carney Family
--10:30 service, The Shirk Family

Congregation: Light two candles to watch for Messiah: let the light banish darkness. He shall feed the flock like a shepherd, gently lead them homeward.

** Call To Worship*

Leader: Lord, speak to us your will.

People: Help us to learn your living word.

Leader: Lord, grant us the courage to know ourselves.

People: Help us to learn the truth of our hearts.

Leader: Lord, lead us in your way.

People: Help us to learn peace.

*Hymn: #22 “Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

Prayer of Confession (**Unison**)

God of mercy, in Scripture you reveal your will. In Jesus Christ, you show the way of grace. You call us to repent, to change, to become a new creation. Yet, we cling to our broken old ways. We see how others need to change, but we do not see ourselves. Lord, have mercy. Forgive us, even when don’t forgive others. Help our hurting to end. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri (tune: refrain from “Angels We Have Heard on High”)

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PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Anthem: 8:00 – “The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came”

Basque Card

Solo – Karen Homsher

10:30 – “Sleepers, Wake A Voice Astounds Us”

Nicolai/Bach

Chancel Choir

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

First Scripture Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10 (p. 602); Romans 15:4-13 (p. 153)

*Hymn: #48 “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming”

Children’s Sermon

Children may leave for God’s Place for Boys and Girls (10:30 a.m. service)

Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 3:1-12 (p. 2)

Sermon: **“WOLVES AND LAMBS TOGETHER”**

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Please sign and pass the Friendship Book

Offertory: “Lo, How a Rose e’er Blooming”

Gordon Young

*Doxology

O glorious God to You we bring

All that we are as offering

Spirit of joy, within us dwell;

Come, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

*Hymn: #9 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

*Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

Postlude: “Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying”

Thomas Chesterton

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 – Janet Huffman

10:30 – Lois Snader

The Poinsettia is in Loving Memory of
F. Marvin and Ethel S. Rice
Given by Mary Ellen Rice & Family

Please take a moment to welcome our new members, Austin and Kristin Hayes, Eric and Paula Hughes, and Joanne Stoltzfus.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER PERSON THIS WEEK: Virginia Stauffer

113 Summers Drive

Lancaster, PA 17601

TODAY:

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

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

TUESDAY:

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY:

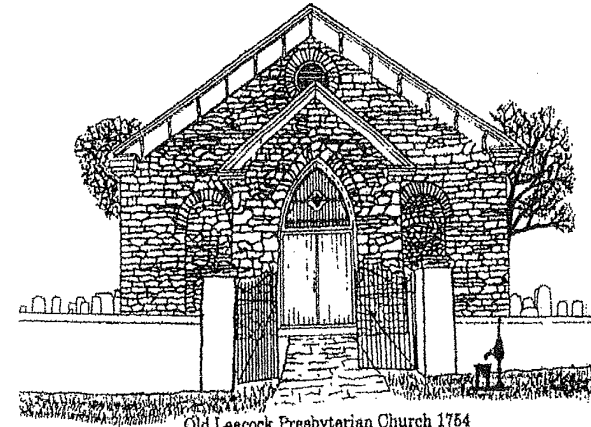
7:30 a.m. Centering Prayer

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Leacock Presbyterian Church

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THURSDAY:

9:30 a.m. PW Bible Study at the home of Bea Andrews

6:00 p.m. The Factory Meal

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 – Taryn Shenk

10:30 – Michele & Lea Lichty

11:30 a.m. 3rd Sunday Singles Group

7:00 p.m. Youth Group

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Last week's offering total was \$5,817.00

Following second service we will be having cake and coffee to welcome the New Members. Please help us welcome them.

The Caring Tree will be in the Narthex on Dec. 1, and will provide an opportunity for us to share our blessings with area families in need. If you wish to purchase a gift, select a card and be sure to leave the "taken by" portion in the basket provided. Gifts should be of \$25.00 or less and are due no later than Dec. 15. Gifts given through The Factory SHOULD NOT BE WRAPPED.

DONATIONS: We are still collecting gently-used sweaters sizes M-XL from now until Christmas to give to the homeless. You can leave them in the youth lounge or in the narthex. Thank you!

Christmas cards for at-home members. I know many of you send cards to our at-home members, but I also know that for them to receive one more card might brighten their day. Please look for the cards in the Narthex for our at-home members and take a minute to sign it and possibly write a brief message.

The devastation that hit Illinois is terrible. We have reached out to a local church there, Washington Presbyterian Church, some of whose members have lost their homes. Things we do not even think about that we have access to every day like toiletries, medication, food, clothing, etc. they no longer have. If you would like to help this community in their time of need, you can do so by purchasing a gift card for CVS, Wal-Mart, Walgreen's, Sears, JCPenney or a prepaid debit Visa card. If you prefer to just give a donation, please let the Mission Committee or office know.

Christmas in the Woods at Camp Donegal - Come and celebrate His birth Sunday, December 15, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Witness the Christmas story through a live nativity and caroling in the woods, then gather inside Donegal Hall for an evening of live music. Dinner is available for a small fee. Cookies will be sold by the dozen. Ornaments by Poppy's Woodcrafts will be available for purchase. Bring the whole family to this fun, free event!

Live Nativity Schedule: 5:15, 6:00, 6:45 and 7:30

Special Music Schedule: 5:35, 6:20, 7:05 and 7:50

December 15th we will be going Christmas Caroling. Please join us in bringing joy to the ones who find it hard to come see us.

After second service you can stop downstairs and fill-up on some piping hot soup and refreshments before delivering some delicious cookies and singing cheer. Please add you name to the list in the Narthex.