

Calendar Notes

Dec. 17 - 24, 2017

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| Monday 18 th | 3:00 p.m. | Middle School Monday |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study (Pooles') |
| Wednesday 20 th | 5:30 p.m. | Corner Life (NO Intercessory Prayer and Praise) |
| Thursday 21 st | 6:30 p.m. | Leadership Council (201) |
| Sunday 24 th | 9:00 a.m. | Intergenerational Fellowship |
| | 10:15 a.m. | Worship (4 th Sunday of Advent) |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service |
| | 8:30 p.m. | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service (with communion) |

Statistical Notes as of December 10, 2017

Attendance: Worship 214

Giving:

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| Worship | \$ 11,901.00 |
| Capital Campaign | \$ 20.00 |

Year to Date:

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| General Fund Budget | \$396,889.62 |
| General Fund Giving | \$394,273.92 |

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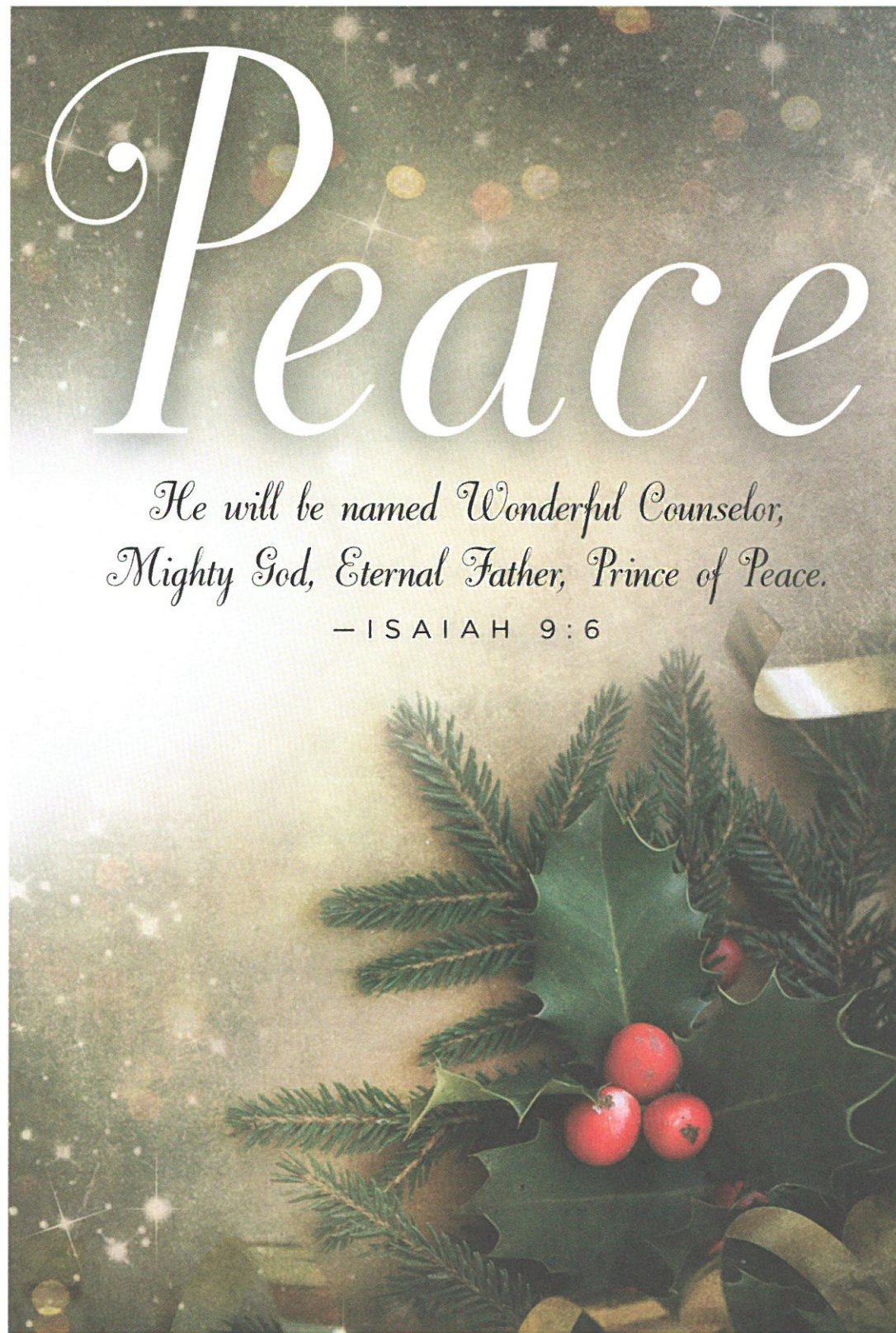
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Peace

*He will be named Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.*

—ISAIAH 9:6





DILLSBURG BRETHREN IN CHRIST

a river of hope and healing . . .

December 17, 2017
9:00 am Classes
10:15 am Worship

Preparing for Worship

Opening & Welcome

Angels from the Realms of Glory (#140)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath *

Scripture *Psalms 146*

Invitation to Give

Prayers of the Community

"Songs of Christmas: Gloria" (Luke 2:1-20)

Choral Ministry

Angels We Have Heard on High (#137)

Prayer & Closing

* (Children Pre-K - grade 5 to Cherub & Jr. Church)



Poinsettias were placed...

In Memory of...

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| • Eddy Robinson | by Lois Conrady |
| • Mary Ann Engle | by Nevin Engle |
| • Gus Stine | by The Hatch Family |
| • Irene Spurrier | by Jim & Faithe Spurrier |
| • Ruth & Eber Dourte | by Jim & Faithe Spurrier |
| • Larry & Mary Keyser | by Ed & Marj Strayer |
| • Charles & Margaret Strayer | by Ed & Marj Strayer |

In Honor of...

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| • Mahlon & Irene Engle | by Jim & Beth Shelly |
| • Esther Shelly | by Jim & Beth Shelly |
| • Nicole Rank | by her Secret Sister |

Poinsettias may be taken home following the Christmas Eve Service.



Food, Fun, and Fellowship Here's your chance to get to know those who sit in the pew next to you. Crazy 8's is a ministry designed to bring our church body together while reaching out to our community. Participants are placed on a schedule to enjoy meals with 3 other couples/singles 3 times throughout the year. The host is encouraged to invite someone who does not attend our church to your meal as well. You may indicate if you would like to be a host. In most cases, children are welcome to attend the meal, too! New schedules will be placed in mailboxes in January. If interested, please find the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer and if you have any questions contact Grace Horton.

Save the Date: Congregational Council Congregational Council will meet on Saturday, January 13, 2018 to approve the 2018 budget and to discuss the use of the facilities such as renovations to the basement and uses for the new property. Plan to fellowship over breakfast at 9:00 a.m. with the meeting beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Christmas Cards Recycle: If you have old Christmas cards that tell the story of Jesus' birth, Karen Deyhle who is a missionary in India, would like to have your cards. She will make them into booklets to share the Christmas story in India. To see a sample of Karen's work or to donate your cards, please contact Jaylene Shannon.

Welcome Guests To better connect with you we encourage you to complete a guest registration card located in the pew pockets. You may drop it in the offering plate OR bring it to welcome center in the lobby so that we can greet you and give you a welcome packet.

This year Pre-Kindergarten through 5th grade will be joining us for the first part of the service and then will be released to their classes mid-service. Cherub Church (Pre-Kindergarten - 1st Grade) meets in the class across from the men's restroom and Junior Church (2nd - 5th Grade) meets downstairs in B1. **Please pick your child up from their classroom in a timely manner after the service.** If you're visiting, please fill out a Cherub/Junior Church Attendance Card, located in the pew rack, and bring your child to meet their teacher near the coffee bar/welcome center when the children are dismissed from the service.

December 20th we will be having a **Christmas Celebration at Corner Life.** We're featuring: a great meal (at no cost), and an amazing Christmas celebration for all ages including fun and games, a fantastic Christmas band, words from Pastor Rob, and much, much more!

Did you know that there are 3,000,000,000 (that's three billion) people in the world who have no way of hearing about Jesus from people of their own culture? That means that if they are going to hear about him, somebody needs to cross the barriers into their group and tell them. Lots of this has been going on and lots more needs to happen. Learn more at the Perspectives on the World Christian Movement class to be given at West Shore EV Free Church, Mechanicsburg, this spring from January to April. You'll love it! Jaylene Shannon and I are supporting this class. Ask us about it or go on line to "Perspectives Course." ~ Grace Holland

Christ's Birthday Offering

Luke 4. 18-19

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

"These were the words Jesus chose to declare himself as the promised Messiah. This year our special offering on Christmas Sunday will be given to both Peace Promise in Pennsylvania and FGA Education Project in Pakistan. Both of these organizations are proclaiming good news to the poor and freedom for prisoners, and helping to set the oppressed free. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 to divide between the two recipients. Please consider joining with us on December 24th to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor!"

The FGA Education Project for primary age children has a vision for the children of Pakistan. An education in Pakistan allows the cycle of poverty to be broken, and gives these children a chance to break free from lives of oppression and persecution and slavery and live a life walking with the Savior.

- 18 schools, 1,350 at-risk children, 100+ teachers & staff
- \$60 1 child for 1 year, \$4,500 1 school for 1 year

The vision of **Peace Promise** is to see women set free from oppression, exploitation, hopelessness, and slavery. They are engaged head on in the battle against the dark world of human trafficking and exploitation. Their efforts are seeing women being transformed, living fulfilled lives with meaningful relationships and employment and finding enduring peace from the Prince of Peace.



A Full Gospel Assembly Primary School meeting in Pakistan
.....bringing hope and education to Pakistan



peace
promise

....fighting against human
trafficking by bringing the light
of God into that darkness..