

Focus on Missions



While sharing about Interfaith Human Services, it's a good time to offer a thank-you to everyone who came out on December 10th to staff the Wishing Well Campaign at Myer Dairy. Hundreds of dollars were contributed while we rang the bells next to the wishing well this year.

While we eagerly support Interfaith Human Services (IHS) for all the work they do, we give to Interfaith Human Services in January with the administration of the fuel bank utmost in mind. The most recent figures show that over 200 households relied on the Fuel Bank for a delivery of fuel—even after taking advantage of assistance through the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Even through the time of year when they help make sure that people have places to live that are warm enough to be safe and comfortable, IHS will continue all of its other programs—helping provide guidance to families as well as support so that they can break the cycle of living from one crisis to the next. To see more about the activities of IHS in the community, keep up via their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/InterfaithHumanServices/>

This Week's Prayer: Pray that this New Year brings peace for all of God's children.

Leading Worship Today

Christopher Kostyn Passante, Pastor:

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Patty DeCapria, Certified Lay Minister

James Beatty, Minister of Music

Liturgists: Phoebe Quaynor, Patty DeCapria



January 2, 2022
8:30, 10 am

Livestream:
Mt Nittany Church
(8:30 am)

Welcome to worship
at Mount Nittany
Church!

On the Epiphany of Our Lord Sunday, we hear the story of the magi who followed the light of a star to the unexpected child who would be king. We, too, are on a pilgrimage, following a light that draws us beyond the world's idea of what power looks like.

Giving:

www.MtNittanyUMC.org

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GREETING

PRELUDE

CENTERING WORDS

OPENING PRAISE The First Noel #245 vs 3,4,5
We Three Kings #254 vs 1-4

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (8:30)

READING Matthew 2.1-12

MESSAGE Pilgrimage

GOSPEL PRAISE As with Gladness Men of Old

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY RESPONSE Come & See

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

COMMUNION HYMN A Christmas Alleluia

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN He Shall Reign Forevermore

SENDING

POSTLUDE

Announcements:

Facemasks Mandatory for Worship

Due to the high numbers of Covid-19 in our community, all those attending worship must wear face masks over mouth and nose while inside the church buildings, regardless of your vaccination status. Thank you for your cooperation and helping to keep one another safe.

Children in Youth of Mount Nittany

Attention all parents and caregivers of Children in Youth: On Saturday, January 15th, 2022 you are all invited to attend a planning breakfast meeting with Pastor Steph. The breakfast will start at 9AM and the meeting will start at 9:30AM until 10:45AM. This breakfast meeting is to discuss the upcoming year. Children in youth are invited to attend the breakfast. There will be child care provided during the meeting. Please RSVP to Wendy or Pastor Steph by Tuesday, January 11, 2022. When you RSVP please let us know how many people will be attending for the breakfast. Pastor Steph can be reached at (814)-598-9948 or sball@susumc.org.

How Can We Pray for You?

If you or someone you are praying for would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Emily Lewis in the church office at 814-237-3549 or email mnumcoffice@gmail.com or Pastor Chris at 814-232-1717 or cpassante@susumc.org. You may also fill out a prayer card located in the sanctuary pews and place them in the offering plates on Sunday.

Meet with Pastor Chris

Join Pastor Chris's office hours resume each Tuesday from 9-10 am in his office, as well as Coffee with the Pastor at Cafe Lemont from 9-10 am on Wednesdays beginning January 11 and 12, respectively.

Prayer List:

Ron Straple, John Hickey, the Rideout family/Will Jackson, The Lassman and Black families, Pat Sankey.

Birthdays:

Barb Gotwalt, Michelle Hill, Sheri Tressler, BJ Wurst,

Calendar:

Sunday, January 2

Worship	8:30 & 10 am (Sanctuary)
Coffee & Donuts	9:30 am (FLC)
Adult Sunday School	8:30-9:30 am (Boardroom)
Kids Club AM	(5-12) 8:30 am service (FLC)
Kids Club PM	(5-12) 6:00 am service (FLC)

Monday, January 3

Quilting Group	9:30 am, Spring Creek Room (FLC)
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Wednesday, January 5

Knitting Group	9 am, Spring Creek Room (FLC)
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Sunday, January 9

Worship	8:30 & 10 am (Sanctuary)
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