THIS WEEK IN BRIEF

TODAY: $7^{\frac{100 \text{ PM}}{2}}$ — Virtual Christmas Eve Service

7^{00 PM} — Outdoor Christmas Carol sing-along &

candle-lighting in the upper parking lot.

SUN, 27th Virtual Worship Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Session and the Deacon's & Trustee presidents have moved us back to virtual-only services and meetings Until January 3^{rd} . We will be evaluating where we stand with regard to the COVID pandemic. We have at least 4 and possibly 5 or more cases within the congregation in the past three weeks. When taken in tandem with the current super-spike in cases, we do this out of an abundance of caution and for the good of the body.

While not being overly-dependent upon the Governor's new restrictions on public meetings, we are aware that every county in Western PA has been reporting case numbers in the hundreds for several weeks now, and Allegheny County has been reporting upwards of 1,000 per day. Please check the letter from Session about scheduling that has been sent to the Prayer Chain e-mail list. It will also be attached to this bulletin.

Remember to check the The Church Website weekly for new material and for the worship videos: http://northlibertypc.org

The Worship Service videos are being loaded weekly to Pastor Rusty's YouTube channel (Albert Stuart), and to the Church's channel (North Liberty).

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the North Liberty Presbyterian Church is to *serve Christ*. We seek to *introduce Jesus* as the Christ and *become disciples* so that together we are enabled to *love one another* and *share His love* with those around us.

Pastor Rusty can be reached by phone at 724-421-5569 or by email at PrRustyStuart@aol.com Rev. Stuart's home address is 3328 Beacon Hill Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216.



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Christmas Eve Virtual Service of Lessons & Carols w/ Commuinion Thursday, December 24, 2020

THURSDAY, 24 DECEMBER 2020

7:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS WITH COMMUNION

Announcements, Joys & Concerns:

PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD # #

Prelude: "Mary, Did You Know?"

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH:

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 9:1 - 7

CALL TO WORSHIP: Christmas Eve 2020 is a a Christmas Eve we

will never forget. ... let us rejoice with

love, hope and peace adoring Him Who IS called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

HYMN: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" # 249

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" # 250

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD #

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 2:1-20

HYMN: "What Child Is This" # 281

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Titus 2:11-14 & 3:4-8

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

HOMILY: "Into the Darkness, a Bright Light"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:

THE ASSEMBLY AND CALL OF WARNING & INVITATION:

THE THANKSGIVING:

THE INSTITUTION:

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

PASTORAL PRAYER:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" # 258

CHARGE & BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: "Silent Night, Holy Night"



PRAYER CONCERNS

Hospitalized

Upcoming Surgery

Recuperating

Johnny Hubel -TBI (Moved to home for PT)

Evelyn Koprivnikar

David Dunkerely - No Cancer

Joan Dickey

Nancy Baker

Paul Rizza

Betty Holmes (Amanda Lucco's mother

— broken ankle w/ surgery)

Sherrie Young - Dana Uber's niece

Shannon Flemming

Garilyn Barlow's sister Janice

(COVID)

Tony & Janice McElhinny (COVID)

Cancer Warriors

Evelyn Koprivnikar

Lisa Boesch

John Petrack (Sue Black's brother-in-

Bill Sevin — Cancer Spread John Stoops

Health and Other Concerns

Bob Barger

Gwen Best (Nina's sister)

Brandy Brown

Pat Burns (Anne Treanor's Sis-in-law)

Ed Buchert

Nancy Clark

Thomas Cooper (Dorry's nephew)

Kay Dannels (friend of Beth Black)

Jesse Duncan John Duncan

Martha Dunlap

Ray Hoagland

(Marianne McCreight's father)

Carter Kerr (Carolyn Rizza's Cousin)

Linda Knight

John Koprivnikar

Tony Nicoletto

Virginia Palmer

David O'Planik (Denny Youshock's Cousin)

Theresa & Stephanie Snyder

(Joyce Youshock's cousins)

Avery Reynolds

(Friend of Marie Duncan)

Kaitlyn Spinoso

(Pastor's Bob McCreight's granddaughter)

Olivia Williams

(grandniece of Sue Black)

Sam Williamson

Dawn Carothers

Bill & Helen Sevin

Peggy Coulter (Reece's Mother)

Gerry & Dorry Sankey (Travel

mercies & comfort)

Sarah Watson — (Health concerns)

Tina Stuart (COVID)

Moira Stuart (Rusty's Niece – COVID)

Matt Hemmerlin Jr. (COVID)

Keith & Linda Cribbs (Keith – Stroke aftermath — Linda Beatty's Brother)

The Haberlands (COVID Symtoms)

Bereavement

Husband Family — Both Mr & Mrs

Husband have passed Bill Cooper Family

Elsie Marie Duncan Family

(John Koprivnikar's sister)

Ken Luckock Family

Special Prayers

Thanksgiving

Joy

Jessy (Pizor) & Justin Osborne had a little girl, Maeve Rozella at 7 lbs, 3 oz. They are home. She joins brothersMac & Trent. Elated grandparents are Terri & Bob Pizor.

Work & Worship of the Church

Sunday School Teachers CE

Liberty Lambs & Lions

Shut-ins

June McClelland

Revel Henderson 1525 Wigwam #111 Henderson, NV 89074

Erma Campbell –Rm 316B

Orchard Manor 20 Orchard Drive Grove City, PA 16127 Phone #724-264-4229

Joan Dickey

Lakes of Jefferson 7271 W. Market St. Mercer, PA 16137 724-418-4446

Dick Schultz – Room 518

Butler VA Healthcare 353 North Duffy Road Butler, PA 16001

Lillian Jeffrey

Home 2 Me 600 Slippery Rock Road Slippery Rock, PA 16057

Mission

Pecos Valley Hispanic **Ministries** The Presbyterian Church in North and South Sudan Dominican Republic Mission Partners



Kyle Campbell (Alex's brother) Jake and Jessica Corev (Lockheart) Orman (Erin Stoops' Cousins) Kirby Buchanan

> (Tom & Nina Cooper's Grandson)

Poinsettias List

<u>In Honor of:</u> <u>Presented By:</u>

Sue Black Evening Circle

Diana Stiles Evening Circle

Mema (Ginny McClymonds) Aaron & Lynn /

Makayla & Kelsey

Grandchildren Poppy & Grammie

(Taylor, Alexis, Steven & Dylan)

Children & Grandchildren Grandma Melissa

Sons & Families Bev Uber
Jeff & Beth Sue Black

In Memory of: Presented By:

Sonny Becky & Dave

Patricia Herrnberger The Novotny's

Our Parents Tony & Janice McElhinny

Pop-Pop & Uncle Brad Amanda

Pappa Patch (McClymonds) His California Girls

Our Parents Dennis & Joyce Youshock

Allen MyClymonds Melissa & Family

Ethel & Buddy Carnuth /

Arlene Rizza Paul & Carolyn Rizza

Ethel & Ralph Greasley Paul & Carolyn Rizza

Gladys & Leroy Pounds Beverly Uber

Jim & Frank Pounds Beverly Uber

Paul R. Black Sue Black & Family

William K & Olive Mae Gillespie Sue Black & Family

Florence Priscilla Gough Uber Lightner Jim & Linda Styers

Edward James Uber Jim & Linda Styers

Hymn Lyrics:

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"
[1] O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem.
Come and behold him, born the king of angels.

Refrain: O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

[4] Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
Word of the Father, begotten, not created. [Refrain]

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"
[1] O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

[4] O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray, cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today!
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell.
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

"What Child Is This?"

[1] What Child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, While shepherds watch are keeping?

[Chorus]

This, this is Christ, the King,
Whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Haste, haste to bring Him laud,
The Babe, the Son of Mary!

[3] So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh, Come, peasant, king to own Him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving hearts enthrone Him. [Chorus]

Hymn Lyrics:

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
[Refrain] Go tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born!

[1] While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. [Refrain]

[3] Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]

Letter from the Session:

December 18, 2020

Dear Family of North Liberty Presbyterian Church, Grace and peace to you through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Session would like to share with you some decisions we have made regarding the worship and services at North Liberty. As we all continually adjust our daily lives to the reality of the COVID 19 virus, North Liberty Presbyterian Church will not have on-site indoor worship or programs on December 20, 24 and 27, 2020. Currently Pastor Rusty is in quarantine as they await Tina's test results. Pastor Rusty is interested in providing support so please contact him.

Session will meet weekly to assess whether we can open our doors to worship and programs and what are our current needs.

We will continue to serve you in different ways. we will keep you updated through the <u>northlibertyprayerchain@yahoo.com</u> we will be mailing those without emails a summary each week of those communications.

What is happening, when-

December 19, 2020 Poinsettia pick-up between 10:00 and 11:00 am. If you ordered a poinsettia through the Deacons you can pick it up at the portico.

Red Kettle North Liberty style. The kettle will be at the portico and we ask you to donate whatever you can. The money collected will be given to Pastor Pam for local needs through Salvation Army. Our outreach continues during this pandemic.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 2020 Virtual service will be posted on our webpage, YouTube and through the link on the prayer chain. We will continue the Deacon's DVD ministry.

Thursday, December 24, 2020 There will be an informal gathering in the upper parking lot at 7:00 pm. We will have a modified candlelight service with Silent Night. We have individual LED candles but you can bring your own light as we

recognize Jesus, the Light of our World even now. We ask you to stay in or near your car and practice precautions. After this short service you may wish to see the lights. I invite you to my neighborhood Kimberley Estate to view the luminaries and the deer display on Airport Rd. And for fun travel to Grove City Park and see Christmas in the Park.

Friday, December 25, 2020 Celebrate Jesus' birthday

Sunday, December 27, 2020 We will have a virtual service

Sunday, Jan 3, 2021 We will re-access our ability to gather for worship

Our mission projects continue during this time. A large package was sent to the troops. Thank you to all who contributed. Also, the Mission committee purchased with our Frontier Mission partners Bibles for various mission fields. Let's pray the word touches hearts.

During this time, please feel free to call Pastor Rusty or any Elder with a concern or communicate through email or phone.

We would ask you to mail your tithe and offering to Deb Hartman at 422 W Main Street, Grove City Pa 16127. Deacon offering can be sent to Paul Eperthener North Liberty Plain Grove Rd, Grove City Pa. 16127.

Sincerely,

Susan G. Black, Clerk of Session