

The Clen-Moore Messenger

Christ
The Way, the Truth,
and the Life.

January, 2020



*Hello
January*



Dear Church Family,

While there are different ways of thinking about it, growing in our faith in Jesus is about change management—allowing ourselves to be conformed to the ways of Christ. It is a common thought at the beginning of any New Year, making decisions to become better and healthier than the year before. It reminds me of the words the prophet spoke in Isaiah 43:19, "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert." The Mission and Evangelism Committee of Clen-Moore has worked hard at perceiving how we are called to participate in mission in the world around us, as well as how to engage our church to participate in it more fully.

In case you did not already know, Clen-Moore has made strong financial commitments to local and international mission work for many years. We tithe, or commit ten percent of our giving to mission. In this upcoming year, that will equate to roughly \$40,000 of support! While our level of financial commitments remains largely unchanged, how we are approaching the work will be a bit different. One of which is we will be supporting a smaller number of mission partners, but giving more to them, allowing us to be more invested in their work financially, prayerfully, and physically. Everything we have supported in the past is a worthy cause, but when funds and effort get spread too thin, the effectiveness of that work often suffers.

The Mission Committee will be highlighting a mission every month, which gives us the ability to give the spotlight to all our mission efforts over the course of the year. Our hope is that this will give our church a clearer sense of how we are serving God's kingdom BEYOND our doors, and opportunities to engage in this work. So as the year rolls by, and you witness to the ways God is working in the world around us, perceive a new thing that may be springing forth. When a mission or ministry is highlighted that tugs at your heart strings, let that be a sign that God may be calling you to serve him in that way.

Have a blessed New Year! Your Co-Pastors,

Aaron and Michael



Date to Remember:

January 19, 2020—Health Ministry Team Meeting after the worship service in the library.

Health Note:

"A new year is a time of reflection and resolution for most of us. We look back over the trials and triumphs of the previous twelve months and resolve to do better during the next twelve. Sometimes we set ourselves up for failure by unreasonable standards we set for ourselves. We forget to look to the One who created us as we strive to attain our goals. We try to do it all on our own, as if we can prove something to God by our own efforts. The Bible says that in Christ we are a new creation. This year, let's lean on Jesus to show us the way to be that new creation.

Prayer: Dear Lord, as You have given us the opportunity to become new creations, let us grow and mature in Your grace, leaving the old creature behind, to become the new people You want us to be."

(Taken from Parish Nurses notes, New Wilmington Presbyterian Church.)



C.2G.S. - We continue our study on the life of characters from the Bible and learning from their experiences with God, whether good or bad or both. In January our New Testament characters are the Syrophenian woman and the Pharisees and Sadducees. Our Old Testament characters are Deborah and Ruth.

FlipSide & K.F.C.

Sunday, January 5th—Youth Group from 4-6 PM. We'll have some food, Bible Study, and Hide-N-Seek games in the church. Bring a friend.

Sunday, January 12th—We will be going to the UPMC Mario Lemieux Sports Complex to ice skate. Lunch will be included, look for details in your email.

Sunday, January 19th—Family Bowling Night. We are planning to go to 10 Pin Alley in Hermitage after worship. This is an event for the whole family. We'll have pizza, wings, and bowl a couple of games. The event will be from 12:30 - 3:00ish PM. Please contact Pastor Aaron to let him know that you are coming so we can reserve enough lanes.

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE:

Annual Committee Reports are due no later than **January 9, 2020.**
Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated!



MESSENGER DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY IS JANUARY 16TH

DAILY BIBLE READINGS



JANUARY, 2020

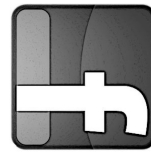
- 1 Psalm 33
- 2 Malachi 3.1-15
- 3 Malachi 3.16 - 4.5
- 4 John 1.1-18
- 5 John 1.19-34
- Epiphany*
- 6 Psalm 118
- 7 Haggai 1
- 8 Haggai 2
- 9 Luke 3.23-38
- 10 Luke 4.1-30
- 11 Luke 4.31-44
- 12 Luke 5.1-26
- 13 Luke 5.27-39
- 14 Luke 6.1-16
- 15 Luke 6.17-38
- 16 Luke 6.39-49
- 17 John 16.16-33
- 18 John 17.1-25
- 19 Psalm 113
- 20 Numbers 26.1-51
- 21 Numbers 26.52-65
- 22 Numbers 27.1-23
- 23 Numbers 28.1-30
- 24 Numbers 29.1-40
- 25 Numbers 30.1-16
- 26 Numbers 31.1-24
- 27 Numbers 31.25-54
- 28 Numbers 32.1-42
- 29 Numbers 33.1-56
- 30 Numbers 34.1-29
- 31 Numbers 35.1-34



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IN MEMORIAM



Jim Drane
Dorothy Kneram
James McCummins
William Morrison

Nancy Smith
(Memorial Service 2/14/20)

SAVE THE DATE

January 12th
Communion

January 26th
Annual Congregational Meeting

January Deacons of the month:

Brenda Buchowski & Christy Litrenta



January Sunday Driver:

Doug Richards 724.657.3546

If you are in need of transportation to worship, please call the church office at 724.654.6657. If you are interested in driving, please

The 2020 Per Capita apportionment is **\$40.41** per member. The breakdown is as follows:

Presbytery of Shenango	\$29.06
Synod of the Trinity	2.40
General Assembly	8.95
Total	\$40.41

Please make checks payable to Clen-Moore Presbyterian Church
And clearly designate it is for **Per Capita**.
Thank you!



OUR CHILDREN NEED YOU



"Train a child in the way he should go; and when he is old
he will not turn from it" (Proverbs 22:6)

The Christian Education Committee needs volunteers for Junior Church. You will be provided with the lesson ahead of time. Children's Worship meets mainly from January through June with no Junior Church scheduled on Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday, Mother's Day, Memorial Day weekend, Pentecost Sunday and Father's Day.

More volunteers means less weeks that each volunteer would have to serve. Consider team teaching with your spouse or friend. Please pray and ask God if it is one of your talents. If you have any questions, please contact Jim Reese or Pastor Aaron.

I would like to volunteer to teach Junior Church:

Name: _____

Phone: _____