



Love and Serve Through Christ



December 10, 2017

New Members Sunday

* Worship @ 9:15 a.m. (*contemporary praise, lower level*)
10:30 a.m. (*blended traditional, sanctuary*)

THIS WEEK AT **WAYNE** CHURCH | A United Methodist Community

TODAY (December 10)

THE GATHERING PLACE Service (lower level)	9:15 a.m.
Children's Sunday School classes (Education Wing)	9:15 a.m.
Youth Confirmation Class (Youth Room)	9:15 a.m.
*Methodism & Latin American/Spanish influences Adult SSC (Parlor)	9:15 a.m.
Chancel Chorale mini-rehearsal (Sanctuary)	9:45 a.m.
WORSHIP Service (Sanctuary)	10:30 a.m.
Senior High Sunday School class (Conference Room)	10:30 a.m.
*All-Church Advent Dinner! (lower level)	5:00 p.m.
Senior High Youth Group (Youth Room)	7:00 p.m.

MONDAY (December 11)

Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Room)	7:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY (December 12)

Ladies' Morning Bible study (Conference Room)	10:15 a.m.
*Ladies' Advent Communion Tea! (Sanctuary & Parlor)	*12:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (December 13)

Food Pantry Distribution Hours (Office Lobby)	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
<i>Peculiar Treasures</i> Bible study (Art Room)	9:15 a.m.

THURSDAY (December 14)

Food Pantry Distribution Hours (Office Lobby)	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
*Senior Luncheon! (Art Room)	12:00 p.m.
Wesley Choir rehearsal (Choir Room & Sanctuary)	4:45 p.m.
Childcare for Choir rehearsals (Preschool Room)	6:20 – 9:20 p.m.
Praise Bells rehearsal (Sanctuary)	7:00 p.m.
Chancel Chorale rehearsal (Choir & Upper Room)	8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY (December 15)

*Christmas Caroling!	*meet at church to walk over – 6:15 p.m.
	*singing starts @ Wayne Center! – 6:30 p.m.
*Middle School Youth Christmas Party! (Youth Room)	7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY (December 17)

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*Senior High Youth Christmas Party! (top floor)	6:00 p.m.

* Denotes a *special event* - OR- a *change of date, time, location, or other alteration.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome & Announcements

Covenant of Friendship

* Call to Worship

Leader: Today as we continue our Advent journey, let us prepare for Christmas not as a day or a season, but as a condition of our hearts and minds; let us prepare not to *spend* Christmas, but to *keep* it.

ALL: Let us worship the Lord together.

* Hymn # 213

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Leader: We listen, Lord, for your words of comfort.

People: We listen for joyful news of your arrival.

Leader: In the wilderness of this world, we have heard voices announcing your coming.

People: They have reminded us that our lives are like the grasses of the field.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

People: We hunger for your word, O Lord, because your word gives life.

Leader: Your word is salvation—the joy of all humankind.

People: Come and speak your word to us.

Leader: Today we light two candles. We light the first candle to remind us of our need for a savior. We light the second candle to remind us of the promises in God's Word. This candle is a symbol of Christ the Way. May the Word sent from God through the prophets lead us to the way of salvation. Amen.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Chris & Annalia Chaplin

Kevin Young & Terry Stinson

Steve Ivey

Jeff Taylor

Patrick & Tola Jordan

Mike Tuttle

Welcome of New Members:

Pastor: ... Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth;

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

People: And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastor: ...Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

Congregation: We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to participate faithfully in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Worship through Music

"Will You Be Ready?"
(by Mark Patterson)

Wesley Choir

Children's Message

Pastor Tom Ebersole

** (Children should return to their seats until dismissal.)

* Hymn # 254

We Three Kings

* Benediction

* Postlude

*Please stand if you are able.

All are invited to stay after worship for refreshments & conversation!

*Altar flowers are given in memory of Mary Briggs,
forever in our hearts--with love from her family.*

*A rosebud is placed on the altar to celebrate the birth of
Holden M. Hamilton born on Thursday, November 30, 2017,
to Brian & Allie Hamilton.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Janet Allen & family; Kathy Brooks; Emily Brown; the Carboni family; Ed Carney; Nita Clark; John & Anne Cronin; Norma DiVito; Janis Downs; Adin Ebersole; Oggie Evangelista; Brittany Fischer; Chris Flansburg; the Friel Family; Julia Glanzmann; Florence Grafton; Nancy & Ed Hagelgans; Bill Hahn; Linda & Jerry Hogan; Diane Hurst; Cindy Kerr; Sarah Kirch; Colin Lamey; Rick Ludwig; John Lynch; the McGeehan & Shelby families; Nicole Obenski; Norn Oberholtzer; Bobby Rock; Louis Sciotto; Kay Shaw; Sally Smith; Karen Wannenburg; and George Warner.

SEARCHING FOR JESUS | An Advent Sermon Series

WORSHIP

Sleigh bells, tinsel, wrapping paper, and reindeer are all familiar sights of the Christmas season. During this special time of year that is meant to celebrate his birth, we are often left searching for Jesus. This Advent season, join us each week as we rediscover the stories of those who searched for him on that very first Christmas. Their stories may help you find him too.

December 3 | *King Herod*
THIS SUNDAY | *The Wisemen*
December 17 | *Simeon & Anna*
December 24 | *The Shepherds*

SERMON NOTES:

- The three kings, wise men, Magi, who were these people? How many were there? What were their names? Where were they from and how far did they journey?
- Why did the Magi travel so far to visit this newborn King? Who was Phraates V? What were the Magi searching for?
- Do we have anything in common with the Magi? Are you searching for something this Christmas? What is it?
- How are you the light of Christ in the world in which you live? Is there anyone in your circle of influence that needs to hear an encouraging word? Who? What is your plan to let them know God hasn't forgotten them?
- Christmas is not our birthday, it is about something much more, much deeper. What role are you meant to play in this Christmas story? Do you have a Christmas Challenge plan this year? Write it down.

WORSHIP CHILDCARE ADULT VOLUNTEERS

NURTURE

Date	Nursery	Preschool	K-3 rd
12/10	Paige LeGrand	Julia Fisher	-

WORSHIP CHILDCARE YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

Date	Nursery	Preschool
12/10	A. Glanzmann	A. Glanzmann

HOSPITALITY GREETERS & FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Date	Families/Individuals
12/10	Quigley, Ambler, & Hand

HOSPITALITY HOSTS

Date	Head Host	Hospitality Team
12/10	Dan Cushing	Claudine Estrade, Beth Lindgren, & Paul Taylor

Upcoming volunteer schedules may now be accessed in your weekly church email (www.wayneumc.org/Weekly)!

ALL-CHURCH ADVENT DINNER!

NURTURE

*TONIGHT, December 10, 2017 @ 5:00PM | Dinner cost: \$5/person. Join us tonight for our annual all-church Advent Dinner at 5:00PM in the Gathering Place (lower level). We will be serving a hot meal with china and candlelight followed by dessert and crafts for the kids! Please join us even if you have not RSVPed ahead!

LADIES' ADVENT COMMUNION TEA

WORSHIP

*THIS TUESDAY, December 12 @ Noon! Come and bring your friends—from this church, from other churches, or from no church—to share in this festive and seasonally-meaningful annual event.

- WORSHIP SERVICE HELP NEEDED! Contact Marge Miller – ammiller12@aol.com or Nancy Brown – nskebrown@verizon.net
- FOOD AND SET-UP HELP NEEDED! Contact Lynn Videon - Lvideon@verizon.net or Michele Leonard - micheleleonard24@gmail.com
- NEED CHILDCARE? Contact Katie Quigley – quigley.katie@yahoo.com

A special UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) collection for the Disaster Response Fund to benefit women and children from the recent hurricanes has been selected for this event and you can add your support by your presence and/or your gift.

NEXT SENIOR LUNCHEON: DECEMBER 14!

NURTURE

*THIS THURSDAY, December 14 (*2nd Thursday) @ Noon! | December's speakers, our very own Jen & Paul Shillingford, will be speaking to us about the Wayne Church food pantry. Please bring a plate of Christmas cookies to be distributed to our food pantry recipients! Check your weekly email for more info and a full schedule of speakers and topics. Suggested donation of \$10. You must RSVP to the church office by the Tuesday before the luncheon so that we may place our catering order accordingly! RSVP to Laura – L.santamaria@wayneumc.org or call (610)688-5650.

ALL-CHURCH CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

WITNESS

*THIS FRIDAY, December 15, 2017, 6:30PM @ Wayne Center! Join with others from our congregation to bring joy to the residents at Wayne Center with an hour of singing Christmas carols. You can meet us at the Wayne Center (30 West Avenue, Wayne PA 19087) at 6:30PM or walk to the Wayne Center with a group from the church (leaving the church at 6:15PM). *New this year!* We will be having a pizza dinner at 5:30PM for those interested. Please RSVP for the dinner by contacting Michele Leonard - micheleleonard24@gmail.com (RSVP deadline: Thursday morning, December 14!)

CHILDREN'S MISSION PROJECT!

WITNESS

Thank you for your support of this year's Texas BBQ Rub gift jars which our Sunday School children made to raise money for 2017 Hurricane relief. Due to early great reviews, we sold out in record time! We do however, have a limited number of "refills" for just \$2.00 each, which will be available during Fellowship Hour after church (until they are gone).

CHRISTMAS MUSIC SUNDAY IS DECEMBER 17!

WORSHIP

Join us for our annual service of worship through musical performances from our choirs and instrumentalists! Celebrate with us next Sunday as we anticipate the coming of our savior in this Christmas season!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

NURTURE

9:15AM in the Parlor! Our Methodist tradition comes through England. Increasingly, the Christian traditions of many in the United States come through Latin America and Spain. Please join us in the parlor for a Sunday School class on this topic. INTERESTED? QUESTIONS? Email Lowell Gustafson - lowell.gustafson@villanova.edu

YOUTH EVENTS!

NURTURE

- 12/15 - Middle School Christmas Party
- 12/17 - Senior High Christmas Party
- No confirmation or Sunday School on 12/24 or 12/31!

QUESTIONS? Email Matt Schweitzer – m.schweitzer@wayneumc.org

CHOSEN 300 NEEDS KITCHEN SUPPLIES!

OUTREACH

Do you have any of the following items that you can donate?

- Measuring cups
- Measuring spoons
- Knives
- Peelers
- Cutting Boards

If you would like to donate any of the items above, they will be put to good use by our Chosen 300 Ministry Team to prepare meals for homeless and individuals in need. QUESTIONS? Contact Agnes Fischer - 5fischer.a@gmail.com

SIGN UP NOW! CHOSEN 300 UPCOMING MEAL!

OUTREACH

*Saturday, December 23 | Every other month, Wayne Church provides a home-cooked meal for the homeless at Chosen 300's Pottstown location. We will need all church volunteers for this meal! We have many opportunities for your involvement, so check out our many options by visiting www.tinyURL.com/chosen300christmas2017

QUESTIONS? Email Kimm Ebersole - ebersolekimm@gmail.com -OR- Agnes Fischer - 5fischer.a@gmail.com!

CHOSEN 300 TOY DRIVE!

OUTREACH

Help bring joy to a child (ages 3 to 13 years old) in need by donating a toy this Christmas! This year you have the option to wrap and label (gender and age) or not to wrap the gift. We will be distributing these gifts on December 23 as we serve the Chosen 300 ministry in Pottstown! Donations are being collected in the toy train in the church office lobby! QUESTIONS? Contact Betsy Sherretta - betsysherretta@gmail.com

THE RUMMAGE TEAM THANKS YOU!

WITNESS

The Rummage Team once again sends out a BIG THANK YOU to all whose hard work, cheerful service, generous donations, and shopping resulted in another successful Rummage Sale! We were able to create lots of community cheer and raise upwards of \$1400 for our local outreach and giving! We feel very blessed to now use these proceeds to enable Wayne Church to be a blessing to others.

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

WITNESS

December & January slots are open! We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to help during Food Pantry Distribution Hours: Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9am – 1pm -OR- sign up for a half-shift (9-11am or 11am-1pm)!

INTERESTED? Email Laura Koch – L.santamaria@wayneumc.org

WANTED: COORDINATORS FOR CHOSEN 300!

OUTREACH

Chosen 300 has a need for 2 Coordinators! To read more details, check out the full announcement in the Weekly! INTERESTED? QUESTIONS? Please contact Agnes Fischer – 5fischer.a@gmail.com or Kimm Ebersole – ebersolekimm@gmail.com.

THANK YOU TO CHOSEN 300 VOLUNTEERS!

OUTREACH

Another huge THANK YOU to all youth, parents, and members who volunteered for our 6th Chosen 300 meal-hosting on Saturday, October 28. We served over 85 individuals in need, providing a warm and welcoming atmosphere!

CHRISTMAS SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24, 2017

Family Service

Christmas Music Prelude

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

10:00 p.m.

10:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL + CHILDCARE OVER

NURTURE

CHRISTMAS! There will be no Sunday school (for children or adults) on Christmas Eve morning, Sunday, December 24, 2017 or New Year's Eve, Sunday, December 31, 2017. For the 10:30AM service on Christmas Eve, we ask that you bring your whole family to our child- and family-friendly Christmas Eve worship service in the sanctuary at 10:30AM.

5th SUNDAY WORSHIP THROUGH SERVICE

WORSHIP

COMMUNITY SERVICE FOOD SORTING DAY!

OUTREACH

*Sunday, December 31, 2017 @ 9:15AM! Every month that has a 5th Sunday, our church gathers to worship through service—that is, to glorify God through helping our community through a service project. This month, on Sunday, December 31 @ 9:15AM we will come together on the lower level of our building for a short time of worship and prayer before using our time and talents to sort through recent donations to our Food Pantry, check expiration dates, and prepare grocery bags for distribution to the needy. If you are unable to join us, you can still help our efforts! You can drop off non-perishable goods at the church, spread the word on social media, or make a monetary donation online (www.tinyURL.com/GiveWayneChurch)! Help us to bless and serve the needy through this vital ministry!

PIZZA AND UN-DECORATING OF THE

NURTURE

SANCTUARY! Friday, January 5 @ 5:30-7:30PM | Come for pizza, fellowship, and the breakdown of our Christmas decor in the sanctuary! Lend a helping hand to our staff in safely storing away our beautiful Christmas decorations for next year! Drop by anytime between 5:30 and 7:30PM!

SERVICE AT CRADLES TO CRAYONS!

OUTREACH

Saturday, January 20, 2018 @ 1:00-3:00PM Ladies, please consider joining us at Cradles to Crayons as we help provide children from birth through age 12, living in homeless or low-income situations, with the essential items they need to thrive. Children are invited to serve as well. Space is limited and every volunteer must pre-register using the following link:

www.cradlestocrayons.org/philadelphia/pre-register/

Access Code: a0RC000000lmtpt

All volunteers are encouraged to bring along donations of children's everyday essential items. They are always in particular need of brand-new socks and underwear for girls and boys (up to size 14/16)! Visit www.tinyurl.com/CradlestoCrayonsList for a list of items they do and do not accept. This is a rewarding way to engage in their mission and model from start to finish. Please remember to wear closed-toed shoes. Comfortable clothing is recommended. QUESTIONS? Contact Michele Leonard – micheleonard24@gmail.com

UMATTER: EMPTY BOWLS! HELP END HUNGER!

OUTREACH

Friday, February 2, 2018 @ 5:00-8:00PM Radnor High School's Umatter, is thrilled to announce their third annual Empty Bowl fundraising event to help end hunger! This event will be held in our very own Gathering Place (lower level) on February 2, 2018 starting at 5:00PM. Empty Bowls is a grassroots movement to end hunger. You are cordially invited to come participate with us in this effort. Handmade bowls will be sold for \$10 each. \$10 will buy you a bowl, dinner, and will help to fill another's empty stomach! All proceeds will benefit our church's food pantry and the ABC house in Wayne! RSVP or QUESTIONS? Contact Amy Wildey – ianandamyw@msn.com

THE BOOK OF ACTS DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY!

NURTURE

*8-week study starting in mid-March! Tuesdays @ 7:00PM in the Parlor | Rev. Galen Black will be teaching a Bible study on the Book of Acts starting in mid-March through mid-May. Precise dates TBA. Read the Weekly for more details. QUESTIONS? Email Rev. Black - revgblack@aol.com

2018 SPRING BREAK! COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP! **OUTREACH**
March 24-31, 2018 | Join us on our next mission trip to Costa Rica—an opportunity to Love and Serve Through Christ by supporting the growth of Methodist communities in Costa Rica and to experience being one global church with Costa Ricans of all ages. INTERESTED/QUESTIONS? Email us – learnmore@wayneumc.org

WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY COMING UP! **NURTURE**
Our next evening Bible study will be starting up again in January and March with a 6-session study of Ruth using the book, *A Woman Who Doesn't Quit* by Nicki Kaziarz. All women welcome! This is a very casual evening Bible study; come when you can and leave when you need to, attend as you are able. We will meet two evenings per month at Kimm Ebersole's house. Exact dates TBA. QUESTIONS? Email Kimm – ebersolekimm@gmail.com

JOIN ONE OF OUR ONGOING STUDIES! **NURTURE**

- *Ladies' Morning Bible Study (Conference Rm) Tuesdays @ 10:15AM
 Contact Janet French – JNFteach@aol.com
- **Peculiar Treasures* Bible study (Art Room) Wednesdays @ 9:15AM
 Contact Katie McNabb – katesend@aol.com
- *Ladies' Evening Bible Study (Kimm Ebersole's house) Email Kimm for schedule!
 Contact Kimm Ebersole – ebersolekimm@gmail.com
- *Coming soon! The Book of Acts Disciple Bible study Tuesdays @ 7PM
 Contact Rev. Galen Black – revgblack@aol.com

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE HERE! **RESOURCES**
Please find your box of offering envelopes for 2018 and take them home with you! They are on a table in the narthex in alphabetical order. If you are unable to find your name and you would like to request envelopes for the year, contact Linda Sands at L.sands@wayneumc.org or call (610)688-5650 ext. 1006.

NOTES:

MORE INFO ABOUT YOUR ANNOUNCEMENTS
MAY BE FOUND IN YOUR WEEKLY EMAIL, OR VISIT
www.wayneumc.org/Weekly

If you are not receiving the weekly church email and would like to, visit www.wayneumc.org/Weekly and click

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(Printed copies of the weekly are also available in the entranceway.)
If you have any questions, please email the church office –
learnmore@wayneumc.org

UPCOMING EVENTS AT **WAYNE**CHURCH

Ladies' Advent Communion Tea	December 12
Senior Luncheon	December 14
All-Church Christmas Caroling @ Wayne Center	December 15
Middle School Youth Christmas Party	December 15
Christmas Music Sunday	December 17
Senior High Youth Christmas Party	December 17
Last day to donate to Chosen 300 Toy Drive!	December 22
Chosen 300 Meal	December 23
CHRISTMAS EVE (Services @ 10:30AM & 10PM)	December 24
CHRISTMAS DAY	December 25
Worship through Service – Food Sorting Day!	December 31
New Year's Eve (Worship @ 9:15AM & 10:30AM)	December 31
New Year's Day	January 1
Pizza & Un-Decorating of the Sanctuary	January 5



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