

# UPPER TUSCARORA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

589 BRICK CHURCH ROAD, EAST WATERFORD, PA 17021

DECEMBER 6, 2020 – 11:00 AM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, let us praise the Lord.

P: **Let our spirits rejoice in God our Savior.**

L: The Mighty One has done great things for us; Holy is God's name.

P: **God's mercy extends to those who honor him from generation to generation.**

L: God has brought down powerful rulers and lifted the humble.

P: **God has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.**

ALL: **Let us magnify the Lord and rejoice in God our Savior.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Glory to you, almighty God, for you sent your only-begotten Son, that we might have new life. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for you became flesh and dwelt among us that we might become your people. Glories to you, Holy Spirit, for you are the promised gift that we might witness in power. Glory to you, almighty God, and to your Son, Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. AMEN.

\*OPENING HYMN..... "GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN" ..... #29

SILENT CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Redeeming God, you are waiting with us, for we are slow to make room in our hearts for the Christ child. Your stars are shining, yet we are in no hurry to hear the message of peace and goodwill, to sing "Glory" with the angels, to leave our sheep on the hillside and come with haste to find incarnation. Redeeming God, forgive our unbelief, forgive our lack of wonder, and forgive our denying the birth in our midst. Open us to your miracle; let us hear again the message of love that

Jesus Christ is born. Let us respond with joyous hearts, glorifying and praising God for all that we have heard and seen. AMEN.

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Through grace, Christ gives us eternal comfort and good hope. I declare to you all, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, that you are forgiven.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – "THE APOSTLE'S CREED"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ..... LUKE 2:1-20 (NLV)

SERMON..... "THE MANGER MAKER..... LAY MINISTER HOWES  
THE STORY OF BENJAMIN AND RUTH"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*SENDING HYMN..... "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH" .....#23

\*BENEDICTION

L: Let's Put Christ Back Into Christmas This Year

\*POSTLUDE

**\* - PLEASE STAND, IF YOU ARE ABLE**

**ALL HYMNS ARE FROM THE BLUE HYMNAL**

## UPCOMING WORSHIP LEADERS

DECEMBER 13, 20, 27, JANUARY 3 – THALIA FLEETWOOD

## NEW ADDRESS FOR JODY REEDER

JOSEPHINE REEDER  
C/O LOCUST GROVE NURSING HOME, ROOM 410-B  
69 COTTAGE ROAD  
MIFFLIN, PA 17058

**PLEASE PRAY FOR....**

Jim Clark	Glenn Love	Glenn Swartz
Mark Coons	Paul McClure	Erma Williamson
Lenora Flood	Rev. Alice Meloy	Donnie Wiser
Lucy Goshorn	Janice & Paul "Brud" Price, Sr.	Dick Yohn
Stan & Tina Howes	Jody Reeder	Louise Yohn
Mary Francis Jaymes	Jim & Henrietta Speer	Mary Margaret Yohn

**...AND OUR SERVICE PERSONNEL**

Danny Johnson	Nathan Patterson	Grant Speer
Donnie McAllen	Anthony Sheldon	Todd Youtzy
Eric Patterson		

**THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

DECEMBER 6----- MARK 1:1-8  
 DECEMBER 7----- ISAIAH 26:7-15  
 DECEMBER 8----- ISAIAH 4:2-6  
 DECEMBER 9----- LUKE 1:5-17  
 DECEMBER 10----- HABAKKUK 2:1-5  
 DECEMBER 11 ----- PSALM 126  
 DECEMBER 12 ----- HABAKKUK 3:13-19

**WEEKLY REMINDERS AS WE WORSHIP**

*IN KEEPING WITH THE GUIDANCE OF OUR PRESBYTERY, WE CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES TO OUR SERVICES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC...*

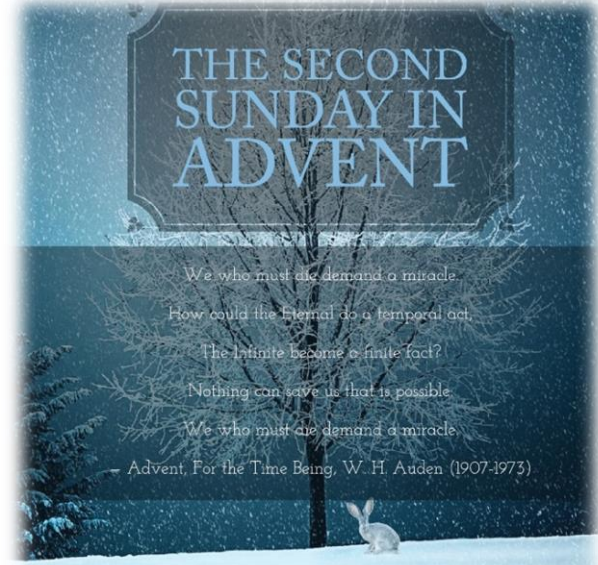
- ✚ EVERYONE SHOULD BE WEARING MASKS AND SHOULD SIT IN EVERY OTHER PEW.
- ✚ PLEASE REFRAIN FROM SHAKING HANDS OR HUGGING.
- ✚ THE SERVICE WILL BE 30-40 MINUTES IN LENGTH.
- ✚ MUSIC WILL BE PLAYED BUT BECAUSE OF OUR MASKS AND TOUCHING HYMNALS, THERE WILL BE NO SINGING -- ONLY MUSIC AND WE WILL HAVE ONLY TWO HYMNS.
- ✚ THE OFFERING WILL BE PLACED IN THE PLATE AT THE END OF THE SERVICE.

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***WELCOME!***

**DECEMBER 6, 2020**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**LAY MINISTER STAN HOWES    WORSHIP LEADER**