

THE DECEMBER ECHO

ST. JOSEPH'S (HILL) LUTHERAN CHURCH

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CHRISTMAS CANDLE LIGHT SERVICES



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US at ST. JOSEPH'S (HILL) LUTHERAN CHURCH 244 Koch Road, Boyertown

December 24th at 9 AM Family Friendly and at 7 PM



DECEMBER WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

December 3 1st Sunday in Advent - Pastor Rowe is supplying

8:00 AM Sunday Church School

9:00 AM Worship Service

December 10 2nd Sunday In Advent - Pastor Werley is supplying

Holy Communion

8:00 AM Sunday Church School

9:00 AM Worship Service

December 17 3rd Sunday In Advent - Pastor Filer is supplying

8:00 AM Sunday Church School

9:00 AM Worship Service

December 24 Christmas Eve & Holy Communion

Pastor Lichner is supplying

9 AM Candlelight Worship Service7 PM Candlelight Worship Service

December 31 1st Sunday after Christmas

Pastor Maryann Hamm supplying 8 AM Sunday Church School

9 AM Worship Service

<u>The Angel Tree</u> is up and filled with tags to bring joy to those who are less fortunate. Please be sure to grab a tag to participate in the Boyertown Multi-Service gifts for the Boyertown Community. Gifts are due by Sunday, December 3rd.

<u>Poinsettia Plant Orders</u> Thank you to all who have participated in purchasing the Poinsettia Plants to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas.

Looking Ahead:

December 5: Scouts meet(Every Tuesday in Dec.) in the fellowship hall at 6:30 PM.

December 10: Finger foods available after worship service. Fun, Food & Fellowship!

December 12: Christian Education meets via zoom.

December 15: ECHO Articles are due.

December 19: A- team assembles the ECHO.

December 21: Church Council meets in the fellowship hall at 7 PM.

December 25 & 26: Church office closed.

Reminder: Committee descriptions and yearly calendars are due by January 21, 2024.

Milk chocolate and dark chocolate nonpareils and candy melts are available for sale in the hallway. Thanks to everyone who helped in this candy-making project.



<u>Daycare News</u> "We wish you a Merry Christmas, we wish you a Merry Christmas, we wish you a Merry Christmas..."

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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Lily Renninger
Amy Miller
Tristan Weller
Madalyn Bollard
David Hoch
Kurt Neumaier
Tracy Dierolf
Carl Bieber
Mazie Herb
Colin Wisler
Michelle Bialek
Donald Hendricks
Tracy Roberts

Mackenzie Miller
Kailey Reinboth
Keith Sharp
Kenneth Dale Kurtz
Franklin Morgan Jr.
Robin Schmale
Monika Heydt
Charles Anhalt
Darrin Krall
Molly Steele
Earl Luft
Lauren Gill
Keely Bieber
Walter Weidner

<u>DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Dwight & Amy Miller 26 Years Timothy & Sally Seyler 8 years
Deb & Rick Geesey 55 Years

Our Staff

Pastor Gene Zaiser, Pastoral Care Mrs. Linda Kowalski, Council President Mrs. Jill Savory, Parish Secretary

Mrs. Kathie Gilbert, Volunteer Coordinator

Mr. Blaise Miller, Sexton

Mr. Ethan Deirolf

Mrs. Carol Barton, Organist

Mrs. Marcia Kurtz, Music Director

