

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DEEP RUN



Forward in Faith with Christ

December 17, 2017

Welcome to the Presbyterian Church of Deep Run

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship and want you to feel 'at home' in this community of faith. Please join us after the service for a time of coffee and fellowship downstairs in Hoopes Hall. Church members will be happy to guide you. In the narthex (foyer) is a welcome packet for your family. Please take one before you leave and join us for this morning's activities.

***Prayer Cards** are in each pew. Please feel free to write your requests on them and place them in the offering plate during the offertory. If you would like a call from the pastor, please note that on the card. Please sign the **fellowship pad** in your pew. Guests are encouraged to include their email address and other information they may wish to share. Pass the pad to others in your row and get to know them.*

***Children 3 years to 5th grade** are invited to Sunday School after the children's message during the service. Their teachers will walk them to their classrooms. All younger children are welcome in the nursery downstairs at any time.*

***Parent pick-up:** Children ages 3 to 1st grade will be downstairs in the classroom next to the nursery. Children in 2nd-5th grade will be upstairs in the Sunday School wing. Exit the sanctuary by the elevator entrance near the choir loft for easy access to the Sunday School area. Look for signs to help guide your way!*

***Large print bulletins** are available. Just ask an usher. **Hearing assistance** - five sound enhancement units are available in the narthex. **An elevator** is located outside the door on the left at the front of the sanctuary. Restrooms are located off the foyer.*

***All who are able may stand.**

Service for the Lord's Day

Order of Worship

*As we begin worship, please silence your cell phones.
Take a quiet moment to center yourself in the presence of God.*

SERVICE OF PREPARATION

Prelude "In Dulci Jubilo" J. S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Introit "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs. 3)" Helmore
Chancel Choir

Lighting of the Advent Candles

"The Candle of Joy"
The Bailor Family, Matt, Kim, and Brody

Passing of the Peace

One: May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

All: And also with you!

(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you.)

***Hymn #105** "People, Look East" *Besancon*

Prayers of Confession and Reconciliation Liturgist

All: God our Maker, we confess that we are not ready to meet you. You send your Spirit to release us, yet we remain captivated by sin. You stand among us in Christ Jesus, yet we claim we do not know you. Forgive us, God of grace. Make us holy; make us whole. Keep us safe and sound until the day of your coming; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Time of Silence

*[Please take this time in silence to offer your own prayers of confession—
confessing your need for God and naming those barriers that keep you from
knowing life as God's beloved child.]*

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: In Jesus Christ, God forgives us, knows us and loves us as we are.

All: We give thanks, and choose to be changed by the amazing grace of God.

Time for Children

“Waiting”

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist

First Lesson

Jeremiah 23:5 –6

Liturgist

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The Lord is our righteousness.”

***Hymn #88** “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (vs. 1, 2, 5, 6, & 7) *Veni Emmanuel*

Second Lesson

Luke 1:26 –35, 38, 46-55

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. And he came to her and said, “Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you.” But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I am a virgin?” The angel said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.”

Then Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his

servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

***Hymn**

“My Soul Gives Glory to My God”
(Sung to the tune of Amazing Grace)

Amazing Grace

My soul gives glory to my God; my heart pours out its praise.
God lifted up my lowliness in many marvelous ways.

My God has done great things for me: yes, holy is God’s name.
All people will declare me blessed, and blessings they shall claim.

From age to age to all who fear, such mercy love imparts,
dispensing justice far and near, dismissing selfish hearts.

Love casts the mighty from their thrones, promotes the insecure,
leaves hungry spirits satisfied; the rich seem suddenly poor.

Praise God, whose loving covenant supports those in distress,
remembering past promises with present faithfulness.

Third Lesson

Luke 2:8-14

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

***Hymn #113**

Angels We Have Heard on High

Fourth Lesson

Luke 2:15-20

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.’ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

Anthem

“A Star”
Chancel Choir

Choplin

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering of Ourselves and Gifts

Offertory

“Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head” American Folk Melody

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn #136**

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Go Tell It

Blessing and Benediction

***Sending Song** “Let There Be Peace on Earth” (Refrain)
Let there be peace on earth, Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, Let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment, And live each moment, With peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, And let it begin with me.

Postlude “Let Graze Your Sheep” Jacques-Claude Mine

Thank you to the following volunteers:

USHERS

Lead Usher: Jeff Schmitt
Don Strouse, Jennifer Schmitt, Margie Mosher

LITURGIST

Rick Kempes

FLOWERS

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Matt and Michele Edwards
in loving memory of Michele's father, John A. Rohrer,
and in celebration of Pat Edwards' birthday.

THIS WEEK

Today	<i>Deep Runner Deadline</i>	
	8:15 AM	Adult Bible Study in the library
	9:30 AM	Worship in the main sanctuary
	9:30 AM	Youth Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Fellowship Time in Hoopes Hall
Monday	5:30 PM	Community Dinner in Hoopes Hall
	7:00 PM	Council of Southeast PA Family Education Program – the Anna Straw Initiative - in the library
Tuesday	11:30 AM	Staff Christmas Luncheon
	6:00 PM	Girl Scout Troop #208 and #247 Christmas Party in Hoopes Hall
	6:45 PM	Bible Study with Lori at the home of Don and Bobbie Santa Croce
	7:00 PM	Finance Committee in Pastor's office
	7:30 PM	AA Meeting in the Red School House
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Women on Wednesdays in the library
	5:30 PM	Girl Scout Troop #2810 in Room 226
	6:30 PM	Girl Scout Troop #2571 in Room 227
	7:00 PM	Parent Support Group on Addiction in the library
Thursday	6:00 PM	Cub Scout Den/Pack meetings in Hoopes Hall and classrooms
	7:00 PM	Perkasie Leo Club in the Red School House
	7:00 PM	Personnel Committee in the library

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT EDUCATION & SMALL GROUPS

Adult Sunday School

Join us as we explore **The Book of Genesis** Sunday mornings at 8:15 in the library. Why read Genesis? The Book of Genesis is the story of God's purpose and plan for his creation. As the book of beginnings, Genesis sets the stage for the entire Bible. It reveals the person and nature of God; the value and dignity of human beings; the tragedy and consequences of sin; and the promise and assurance of salvation.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the January issue of the *Deep Runner* is today. Copy may be emailed to the church office (office@pcdeeprun.org) or placed in the newsletter mailbox in the Communications Room.

Christmas Gift for Pastor Kris

Tradition at the Presbyterian Church of Deep Run is to give the pastor a financial Christmas gift from the congregation. If you wish to contribute to this Christmas gift, give your contribution to Clerk of Session Deb Walters or Financial Secretary Evelyn Tregaskis. Contributions may also be sent to the church office to the attention of Deb Walters or placed in the offering plate to the attention of Evelyn Tregaskis. All checks should be made payable to Presbyterian Church of Deep Run. Thank you for your show of love and support to our pastor and his family!!! Merry Christmas! - Deb Walters, Clerk of Session

Holiday Goody Bags

The deacons have assembled our traditional holiday goody bags. If you know of a member who would benefit from a Goody bag and reminder that we are thinking of them, please contact Erin Reichert at 215-262-9222. We have a few extras!

Pledge Campaign

Thanks to all who have completed their pledge cards. Early responses help the Financial Committee to make budget decisions. To those who have not yet “set sail,” let the Holy Spirit guide you as you complete that pledge for 2018.

Financial Contributions

Financial contributions to the church need to be received on or before December 31st in order to be credited to your contributions for 2017.

Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes for 2018 are in Hoopes Hall.

Flower Sponsors

The sign-up sheets to sponsor flowers in 2018 have been posted on the bulletin board downstairs.

Name Tags

Name tags are now available for the new members. Please let the office know if you don't have or have misplaced your name tag. We're getting ready to update them and would like to make sure everyone has one.

Thank You

A big thank you (and sincere appreciation) to all the wonderful angels (Pastor Kris, Abby, Dot Tenley, Jeff and Jennifer Schmitt, Carol Ramsey and Mary Lou Barlieb) who took time to help decorate Deep Run via "Hanging of the Greens!!!"

Emergency Closings

If you would like to know if the church is closed for any reason or an activity cancelled due to bad weather, please do one of the following:

- Call the church phone - 215-249-3689 - listen to normal message until it tells you to press 2 to hear any cancellations.
- Go to the web page - www.pcdeeprun.org
- Check your personal email to see if an email message has been sent.
- Automated Phone Calling may also be used to notify the congregation in the event Sunday service needs to be cancelled. Please make sure the church has the number you wish to be called on in the event of service cancellations. If you lose phone service with power outages (as will happen if you have an answering machine) you should list a cell phone number.



On a day-to-day basis, we follow the Penridge School schedule when the weather is questionable. If schools are closed, the office will be closed. If they are delayed for an hour, we will open the office an hour later.

MISSION & SERVICE

Community Dinner

The next Community Dinner is tomorrow evening, December 18th. We're serving pot roast with roasted veggies. We're asking for cookie donations which will be sent home with guests if we have enough other desserts. As always, cleanup help is greatly appreciated. Anyone who is able to help can let Maggie Argue or Carol Schmitt know. Thanks to all for your support!!!

Fish Update

For this month, PCDR will focus on items for the Christmas dinners FISH provides to needy families. Here are some suggestions: canned string beans, canned fruit and vegetables, canned yams/sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, applesauce and gravy. Thank you for all your donations! Questions? See or contact Carol Loughridge (clough9@verizon.net).

Family Education

Learn about addiction and how to combat it! Participate in the Family Education Program FREE! Held the first three Monday evenings of the month from 7:00 -9:00 PM in the library during the winter months. Call The Council of Southeast PA at 1-800-221-6333 to register. Week 1: Understanding Addiction, Week 2: Understanding the Impact on the Family, Week 3: Developing the Next Steps & Support Networks.



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