

THE PIPER



DECEMBER 17/18, 2022

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Gonet, Laurie Smith, Jean Ross

TLC FRIENDS

Rita Shetler, Rich, Brian, Eileen,
Charley, Carla, Kris

Readings

Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Worship w/Communion

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Worship w/Communion/Sunday School

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

YouTube Worship Service Recorded

11:45 am Deeper Waters

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

7:00 pm Bible Study

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

5:45 pm Zumba

7:00 pm Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

6:00 pm Soup & Salad Dinner

7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

5:45 pm Zumba

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS EVE

10:00 am Zumba

12:00 pm Worship w/Communion

3:00 pm Worship w/Communion

5:00 pm Family Worship w/Communion

7:00 pm Worship w/Communion

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

10:00 am Worship w/Communion

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Host Families Needed for Students from Italy

One of our members, John Waters, is looking for people who may be interested in hosting some medical students from the University of Bologna (Italy) this February while they participate in a conference organized by Penn State's Eberly College of Science, the Department of Biology, and the College of Medicine. Students will be attending classes, workshops, and other activities during their visit from Saturday, February 11th to Monday, February 20th, 2023 (9 nights). While the students will be busy most of the day, the host families provide an opportunity for students to experience the culture of our community in a home setting.

If you think you may be interested, please review the information and guidelines page John has shared. <https://sites.psu.edu/unibo2psu/hostguidelines/>

We are very excited to be working with you. Please send John a note if you have any questions (johnwaters@psu.edu).



THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for the many cards, calls, visits and most of all the prayers during my recent illnesses and health scares. It is so nice to have so many caring people surrounding Diane and me.

Keith Smith



LAST WEEK FOR SOUPS

Soups for Wednesday, December 21st

Chicken Pot Pie Soup

Cheesy Broccoli Soup

Spicy Clam, Chorizo & White Bean Soup (DF/GF)

This is the last Wednesday of Advent and will be the last week for soups until Lent.

Following the Soup & Salad Dinner will be Holden Evening Prayer

Donated desserts are appreciated.



Gently used or new coats, hats, scarves & gloves are still being collected until **Friday, December 23rd** by the Happy Valley Business Association for the Burrowes Street Youth Haven. **THIS IS THE LAST WEEK TO DONATE.**

2023 Offering Envelopes

Check your mailbox, the 2023 offering envelopes have arrived. If you don't have envelopes in your mailbox, and want them, please let me know.

You can email me at: tlcoffice2@comcast.net



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Angela Garritano	1
Melissa Phillips	1
Eric Fedorko	5
Laurie Smith	5
Elowen Kendall	9
Rick Whitmer	9
Dolores Kiel	10
Alexa Oselinsky	11
David Oselinsky	12
Dee Frisque	13
Sean Grubbs	15
William Adams	16
Barbara Roberts	16
Noelie Garritano	17
Kevin Trostle	19
Dennis Weidel	23
Jane Weller	24
Gina Motter	25
Kylie Schoenauer	28
Liam Merritt	29
Scott Crain	30
Nancy Owens	31

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From the Bishop's Office

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. Luke 2:15-16

Some people say that shepherds have it easy—all they do is stand in a field and watch sheep. Well, that isn't all they do and if you know anything about sheep, you know that a shepherd's job can be frustrating. Sheep are not the brightest of animals; they have a mind of their own; they scare easily and don't see well enough to get anywhere on their own. That's why they need a shepherd. The shepherds who were watching their flocks by night in the Christmas story from Luke can add courage to their resumé.

An angel appeared out of nowhere with a message about a sign from God which terrified them. Then, they decided, even in their fear, to go, see and tell.

We don't know how far they traveled or how many sheep they had to manage on the way to Bethlehem. We do know that when they arrived in Bethlehem they found exactly what the angel proclaimed: a baby wrapped in bands of cloth lying in a manger and two ordinary people watching over this little one who would grow into the Savior of the world.

Going and seeing are not easy things to do—even if you have a message from an angel explaining what you will find. The real test of courage might be what comes next. The story tells us the shepherds "...made known what had been told them about this child." They told the story of Jesus to all whom they met.

As we celebrate this season, you are invited to be like the shepherds: go, see, and tell. Go to the place where you hear the message of Jesus faithfully proclaimed; see the way Jesus is opening for you to tell others of his love, grace and mercy. If it's scary, remember what the angel told the shepherds, "Do not be afraid."

Merry Christmas.

+Bishop Paula, Pastor Kevin and Michelle

