

Lincoln Park Community United Methodist Church Newsletter Lincoln Park, Pennsylvania December, 2004

### Join Us for Our January Retreat

by Jerry Pawlikowski



All adults and Junior/Senior high youth are invited to a **Lincoln Park Church Retreat** from 6 pm Friday, January 7 to 4 pm Saturday, January 8 at the Mariawald Renewal Center in Shillington.

The Rev. Sara Davis-Shappell, former Lincoln Park pastor and Executive Director of Spiritual Renewal Ministries, will lead the retreat. Our retreat is entitled: BUILDING BRIDGES OF HOPE: A TIME OF SPIRITUAL REFLECTION FOR OURSELVES AND OUR CHURCH. Included will be extended times of reflection and dialogue for individual and

congregational spiritual renewal.

Cost is \$35 per person, including three meals and lodging. Registration and payment deadline is Sunday, **December 12**. Childcare scholarships, so that parents with younger children may attend, will be available upon request. Please see **Dorris McCoy**, **Pastor Larry**, **or Jerry Pawlikowski** for more details.

You can join your church family for this time of retreat and renewal by finding the form on p. 9, and registering soon!

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### **WORSHIP IN DECEMBER**

From Pastor Larry Carl



**December 5** – The Second Sunday of Advent – HOLY COMMUNION – The sermon will be entitled *Out of Focus*? based on Isaiah 11:10a, *On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples*, and Matthew 3:2b, *the kingdom of heaven has come near*.

**December 12** – The Third Sunday of Advent – The sermon will be entitled *Believing is Seeing!* based on Matthew 11:2-4, *When John heard in* 

prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see.'

**December 19**– The Fourth Sunday of Advent – The sermon, *Watch for the Signs!* will be based on Isaiah 7:14, *Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign*, and Matthew 1:22, *All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet*.

**December 24**— CHRISTMAS EVE

6 pm – Children's/Family Worship Service

**8 pm** – Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols -The Sermon will be titled *En-LIGHT-ened?* based on Isaiah 9:2, *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness* – *on them light has shined.* 

**11 pm** – Candlelight Service of Lessons, Carols, and Holy Communion – The sermon will be entitled *Bright Enough?* based on Titus 2:11, *For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all.* 

**December 26** – THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS – One Service at 10:15 am – An informal service of carols and a brief meditation.

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### LECTION LESSONS FOR DECEMBER

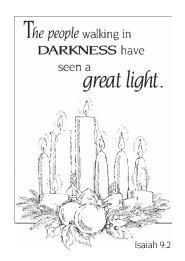
**December 5** – Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12; Psalter: Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

**December 12** – Isaiah 35:1-10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11; Luke 1:46b-55

**December 19** – Isaiah 7:10-16; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25; Psalter: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Christmas Eve/Day – Isaiah 9:2-7; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-20; Psalter: Psalm 96

**December 26** – Isaiah 63:7-9; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23; Psalter: Psalm 148



### Find Quiet Time with The Sacred Circle

From Loreen Miller



Feeling a little *blue* this holiday season? Or maybe you're stressed to the max .... Unfortunately, our moods don't always match the festivities. THE SACRED CIRCLE provides a quiet place to relax and replenish your soul.

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday**, **December 14**, at 7 pm, in Room 103. Drop in and give yourself

the gift of God's Peace. We'll leave the light on for you!

### From the Pastor's Desk

From Pastor Larry Carl



"...the open-

ne of my favorite Christmastime devotional writers is the late Rev. Harold E. Kohn. In one of his little books, The Tinsel and The Hay, he wrote the following.

"Besides revealing the hidden splendor God has fashioned within us, the Christmas season manifests what life should be like all the time. Of course, this does not mean that daily life should ring with Christmas carols or shine

with Christmas lights or be loaded with Christmas gifts. But the openheartedness of Yuletide month should distinguish all our days.

"For instance, at Christmas time we offer gifts to those near and dear to us with a holy kind of carelessness: we do not give according to the merits and worthiness of our families, nor do we receive according to our just desserts. Does any parent, at Christmas shopping time, meticulously calculate the relative merits of his/her children and accordingly estimate how much money should be spent on each gift, following some mathematical scale of disobedience and obedience? Does any husband or wife try to total up the times the spouse has given smiles or scowls, thanks or complaints, pleasure or disappointment and then pur-

> chase a gift that reflects the mate's merits? Hardly! Instead, in December, we are caught up in a holy heedlessness concerning what those near us are worthy of receiving. Now there is an openheartedness about us and it lets a little of God's grace flow in and out of us so that

heartedness of Yuletide month should distinguish all our days."

we give as God gives, not what is deserved but what expresses our love.

"Isn't this what life should be like, always? Should we not always serve according to our love and the need we see, rather than according to what we determine others deserve from us?

"Again, at Christmas time, when we are at our best, we care less about what we receive and care more about what we give; care less about our own happiness and more about the happiness of others.

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What a year it would be if that Christmas spirit were allowed to break its December bonds and flood and saturate the other eleven months!"

What a year indeed!

What a difference we would experience in our families, in our communities, and, yes, even in our churches if we would live the life of gracious love as expressed in the gift of God in the Child of Bethlehem throughout the entire year.

As you prepare to celebrate Christmas this year, may your heart be an open and welcoming place where the Child and spirit of Christmas lives everyday. When the word was made flesh and dwelt among us, He came not merely for Christmas Day but for each and every day.

In Christ,

Pastor Larry

# Celebrate a Contemporary Christmas With Us!



From Becky Chadwick

Join us on Sunday, December 19, at 7 pm, in the Social Hall! The Praise Team will celebrate the season of our Savior's birth with our second annual musical presentation. Contemporary versions of familiar carols and some new Christmas tunes will be performed for your enjoyment.

Please bring a friend and plan on joining us for this special celebration!



### **Welcome Newcomers!**

We invite you to any meetings or activities you read about here. Please call the church office, 610-777-1422, for names, phone numbers, information, or to speak with our pastor. If you'd like to receive *News-Linc* in the mail, just notify our secretary. Please join in at Lincoln Park!

### **Stewardship Thoughts**

From Pastor Larry Carl



Forgive us, our Father, when we have bestowed gifts on all our loves ones at Christmas, but have forgotten him whose birthday we celebrate. Show us some way to put Christ on our shopping list. While we may find no suitable present for him in the merchandise heaped in the stores, surely his cause needs our time, our energy.

Though we err foolishly in other ways, our Father, grant us a genius for giving the needed gift at the appropriate time where it will do the most good, and with no thought of repayment. Thus may we celebrate Christmas all year long in the spirit of the One who is thy gift to humankind. Amen.

---The Rev. Harold E. Kohn

### **Endowment Fund Grows by Leaps and ...Modest Gifts**

From Harold Perkins

The Church Endowment Fund provides the opportunity and channel through which it has grown by "leaps" (bequests, gifts of property or equities, lifetime gifts, and the like) and by "modest gifts" (in memory of, in honor of, to the glory of God, birthdays, anniversaries, a Christmasrelated gift, etc.) Sixty-four % of the fund has come from those modest gifts of \$10 and up.

The Endowment Fund, through annual interest-based income, continues to support special new ideas and efforts that lead to still broader dimensions of service to God and Jesus Christ (e.g. ALPHA, Jr. Fellowship, education and music ministeries, the Contemporary Service).

Twice a year—June and December — an envelope marked *Endowment* pops up in your church envelope packet. Among other gift requests and family giving in December, would you please consider a priority gift to the Endowment Fund in return for God's gift to us — the birth, life and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

# Financial Report as of November 15, 2004 From Bob Erskine

### Parents' Night Out Offers Time For You

From Gabriella Antunes



Who wouldn't like to have three and a half hours just for yourself with no interruptions? Here's your chance to enjoy some free time to go shopping, dine out, or even pamper yourself. Write it down on your calendar - Saturday, December 18, from 4 to 7:30 pm, is your day to celebrate. Bring your children to PARENTS' NIGHT OUT and don't feel guilty enjoying yourself. Contact Gabriella Antunes, 610-670-5045, or at TheAntunes@comcast.net.







### **CONFIRMATION CLASS MEMBERS** AND PARENTS MEETING

From Pastor Larry Carl

On **Sunday, December 12**, at noon, there will be a meeting for young people Confirmation Class

who are interested in confirmation class and their parents. The purpose will be to introduce the curriculum, share plans and expectations with the class members and parents, and give opportunity for questions.

If you are interested in the confirmation class but have not yet registered for the classes, please plan to attend this information session. If you have registered but cannot attend the session, please let the pastor know.

### Pizzeria Uno Fundraiser

From Becky Chadwick

Thank you so much for your support of the PIZZERIA UNO fundraiser, held on November 7, for the Leadership Development Fund! A specific report with the amount made will be in next month's NEWS-LINC.

### **Mission Committee Update**

From Barbara Wenger, Mission Committee Chair

When the Mission Committee met November 9, **Lee Riley** led us in prayer, asking God for guidance. We welcomed **Shirley Cline** as a new member of our committee and thanked **Kathleen Hogg** for all the years she has served. We donated \$50 for the Red Bird Mission and \$50 for Beacon House.

We discussed the Christmas Child project which is going very well. Many thanks to all, including our church youth who are also making boxes this year. Join us for our next meeting on January 4, 2005.

### Register for January Retreat

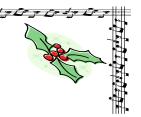
(See p. 1 for details.)

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW, ENCLOSE YOUR CHECK, AND MAIL TO: LPUMC, 1 Carlisle Avenue, Lincoln Park, PA 19609, ATTN: Christian Education (or you may drop it off at the Church Office). Attendance is limited to the first 50 respondents. REGISTRATION DEADLINE is Sunday, DECEMBER 12. I/We are excited to take advantage of this learning and sharing opportunity:

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Dorris McCov (610-	-777-1422) for specif	ics		



# Make a Joyful Noise This Season



From Lin Umstead

We have some wonderful opportunities for anyone interested in being a part of our holiday musical offerings.

I'd like to invite all children to participate in the Christmas Musical, **We Sing Noel.** Practices are being held in the choir room immediately following the 10:45 am service, from 12-12:30 pm. The musical will be performed at the **6 pm Christmas Eve** service

Families or individuals are welcome to join our CHIME Sic CHOIR in rehearsal for a prelude of Carols for the **6 pm Christmas Eve** service. No music reading is necessary! If you play a band instrument or know of someone who does, please join us in rehearsal for the LINCOLN PARK SYMPHONIC BAND. We'll meet from 10 am - 12 pm the

first three Saturdays in December. The SYMPHONIC BAND will play at the **8 pm Christmas Eve** service.

Please feel free to contact me for more information.



### Good News!

From Barbara Wenger

The final count is in! Many thanks to the Church School, congregation, and the Mission Committee for their donations and support for our food drive last month. We collected 166 non-perishable items, including cereals, soups, fruit, rice, meal mixes, baked good mixes, peanut butter, and instant potatoes for the Soup Kitchen at Central Park United Methodist Church.

# WANTED

Singlers, Chime Ringers, & Narrators

are needed for the Children's Musical.

### The Work Sings Not "

To Be Presented at the 6:00 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service

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at 16:1101-7/7/1-114:222

### Angel Tree to Aid Reading Families

From Barbara Wenger
If you'd like to put your prayers
and caring thoughts for needy
families in our community into
action, please pick an ornament
off our Angel Tree! You can help
the Salvation Army provide a
blessed Christmas for families in
need by buying gifts of clothing,
toys and food which they would
not get without our help.

Choose an ornament from the Angel Tree in the Wagner Room. Each will have on the back the name of the per-



son, age, and details of the gift to be purchased. Please return the wrapped gift with the ornament attached securely.

All gifts should be returned to church by December 19, when they will be delivered. If you would like to give a cash donation, please contact Lee Riley, 610-404-0046.

Your caring participation in this project is appreciated by many.

### HANGING OF THE GREENS: FOR YOUNG, OLD AND IN-BETWEENERS

From Dorris McCoy



There's no age discrimination at LP's annual **HANGING OF THE GREENS** festivities on **Friday, December 3.** *All* ages of our church family gather for supper and then scatter to decorate and place all the beautiful trees, swags, and wreaths.

**Penny Snook** heads the serving of supper at **6 pm** after which there'll be:

▲ wreath and swag making in the Social Room, headed by **Tina Goshert and Tina Bisignaro** 

- ▲ tree decorating in the Sanctuary, Social Room and Ed Building, delegated to all the men
- ▲ UMYF tree decorating in the Narthex, under the watchful eyes of **Earl and Linda Hope**
- ▲ children gathering under the creative leadership of **Sue Kappenstein** to make holiday decorations for themselves, the church and LP's special needs members—this keeps the Ed Building a-buzzin'.

The evening concludes with Christmas carols and prayer (coordinated by **Pastor Larry and Lin Umstead**) as we admire the beauty of the newly decorated sanctuary. Sign-up flyers are available at the rear of worship areas and in the Church Office. If you have a question, special decorating talent or an idea, please do not hesitate to contact **Dorris McCoy**, 610-777-1422, or 777-6128.

# An Irish Blessing

May your loved ones be gathered around you, May your friends find their way to your door; May the spirit of Christmas and Heaven's own joy Be with you forever more! God Bless you!



How would you like to be the **THE STAR** of your church Christmas pageant?

When this **CHRISTMAS STAR** was 14, Christmas Eve arrived, the pageant was well-rehearsed, and everyone ready to go. She wasn't feeling well, but didn't say so as she didn't want to miss being an angel in the pageant. All the angels were decked out in costume with wire and tissue-paper wings, and lined up with burning candles ready to walk down the church aisle.

As they started forward, she suddenly began to faint and fell forward, setting fire to the wings of the angel ahead of her, and passing out cold. Needless to say that was a Christmas Eve she has never forgotten. It turned out, she had pleurisy and should have been home in bed

This church member was born and reared in Mt Union, PA. She graduated from Captain Jack High School, then went on to Lock Haven and Millersville to get a Bachelor's Degree in Education. She received her Master's Degree in Allentown and has been teaching Special Education students in the Conrad Weiser District for quite a few years.

She was married in 1965 and has two grown sons. She was remarried in 1998 and now lives in Sinking Spring with her husband.

She has used her time and talent by being a member of the Board of Trustees, the Nurture and Witness Committee, and by volunteering with her husband to prepare the dinner our church supplies to the Opportunity House once a month. That's quite an undertaking with so many mouths to feed, and this couple has capably taken up where **Rhonwyn Counihan** (who led this effort so well for years) left off.

She and her husband joined Lincoln Park Church partly because of the warm welcome they received when they first attended. **Nancy Dettra** and **Jeanette Erskine** met and welcomed them, and when they returned the next week they were welcomed by name. The acceptance and hospitality made them feel at home

Let's hope we all try to welcome new faces in our church often!

Answer on p. 19.

### SUNDAY MORNING CHURCH SCHOOL: MAKING DISCIPLES FOR LIFE

From Dorris McCoy

Wonderful things can happen to you on a Sunday morning! Come and find out how you can be renewed in the life-changing power of Sunday Church School study---be engaged in Christian fellowship and building deep relationships in the body of Christ! Bring your prayers, participation and support to make LP's Church School a vital place of ministry and help us make the world more loving and just.

Presently LP's Sunday morning looks like this (but your interest and leadership could mean more options). The ongoing schedule offers these opportunities:

### 9:30 am

- → During the Contemporary Service sermon, a multi-age, mini-learning activity is offered for ages 3 through 3rd grade (while older elementary ages remain in worship with their families).
- → The Adult Lectionary Class Bible
  Study meets in the Church Library and
  delves into all the Scriptural themes of
  Christian life and faith, under the expert and often humorous leadership of
  Norm and Nancy Dettra. Keeping
  Holy Time, a lectionary study guide, is
  provided.



#### 10:45 am

→ Church School options include graded classes for children:

Room 101—3, 4 & 5 year olds

Room 104 — Grades 1, 2 & 3

Room 102 —Grades 4, 5 & 6)

- → Youth in Room 103 (Reel to Real/ film to faith)
- → New Testament Introductory Series, a college level video presentation, facilitated by Earl Hope in the Church Library.

Questions about options and offers to assist in any aspect of LP's Christian Education ministries may be directed to **Linda Hope**, Christian Ed Chair, 610-670-9731, or **Dorris McCoy**, DCE.

Our Beginners Class of 3, 4 & 5 year olds is especially in need of helping and teaching hands---COULD THIS BE YOUR GIFT TO SERVE IN THIS SPECIAL MINISTRY?

### KID TO KID IN HONDURAS: A GIFT IDEA

From Dorris McCoy

LP kids of all ages are challenged to help **Barb Wenger**, LP's Missions Committee Chair, share God's love in a special way with kids in Honduras on her January 2005 VIM (Volunteers in Mission) trip. Pencils, crayons, magic markers and small tablets/note pads will be collected for Barbara to distribute to children she meets as she is out on VIM construction sites.

Small packs of crayons and markers are encouraged because of airline weight restrictions; we do want Barb to have space for her work clothing. Why not pick up an item or two and drop in the Ed Building collection box in December? Or have your children bring items up to the altar during the offering collection at the 6 pm Christmas Eve Family Service. Celebrate the true spirit of this season of giving and spread ongoing holiday joy to children many miles away from LP!! With questions, please see **Dorris McCov**.



### 10,000 VILLAGES: A GIFT THAT GIVES TWICE

From Dorris McCoy

In addition to its regular stock of worldwide handicrafts, TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES in Ephrata presents Living Gifts which speak the language of peace, as peace comes when everyone's basic needs are met. Honor loved ones with special *life-giving* gifts, such as

- trees to assist in the reforestation of Haiti
- housing materials for Appalachian families
- health care for pregnant women in Cambodia
- warm blankets for families in Bangladesh.

All TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES' marketing sales benefit the underemployed Third World peoples; it is a nonprofit program of the Mennonite Central Committee. For details and directions to its nearby store and international tea room, call 717-721-8400 or e-mail at ephrata@tenthousandvillages.com for complete updates.

### Join in at UMYF

From Linda Hope

UMYF (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) continues to sell Christian Calendars from YOUTH GROUP PROMOTIONS. The cost of the calendars is \$6. If you're interested in purchasing a calendar, please see any youth or contact **Linda Hope**, 610-670-9731.

**Friday, December 3,** is **Hanging of the Greens** from 6-8:30 pm. Youth and their families are invited to join in the fun and help decorate the church for the upcoming Christmas holidays. The Youth will be responsible for decorating the youth tree in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact **Linda Hope**.





On **Sunday, December 12**, UMYF will meet at **Laser-Quest** for an evening of LaserTag! We'll begin at 4:45 pm and the cost is \$6 per game. Friends are welcome to join in the fun! If interested, contact **Beth Blank**, 610-286-0640.

LASER TAG

So come on, Youth...get involved and have some fun! We'd love to see you at our next activity!

### YOUTH GROUP POINSETTIA SALE

From Betsy Buchanan

You can help our Youth Fellowship and decorate our sanctuary for Christmas by ordering poinsettias from our youth by **December** 5. Please use an order form in the Sunday bulletin or from the church office. Your plants may be picked up after Christmas Eve services. The Youth Group at Lincoln Park would like to extend the warmest of holiday wishes to each and every member of the congregation. Your continued support is always appreciated!





### **Check Out the New Library Books**

From Jan Ferree

There are some new books for the children in the Church Library just in time for the Christmas Season:

- The Story of Christmas by Patricia A. Pingry is a board book for little hands
- The Littlest Christmas Tree by Janie Jasin is for children ages 3 to 83
- *The Little Christmas Tree* by Andrea Skevington is a charming story about a little fir tree and what happens on the night when Baby Jesus is born
- *The Little Spider* by Sigmund Brouwer (with a CD *What Can I Give?*) is a story of a little spider's gift to the Christ child.
- Jonah, a new Veggie Tales video, has a CD with the Veggies Tales Theme Song, Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho, I Can Be Your Friend and Modern Major General.

#### Come check them out!

There are some *like new* books donated by our members. Some of the titles are:

- Chicken Soup for the Golden Soul, written by best selling authors, which has heartwarming stories about people age 60 and over
- In This Mountain by Jan Karon, author of the best selling Mitford Series
- The Key to Personal Peace by Billy Graham
- The Billy Graham Christian Worker's Handbook, which is a topical guide with Biblical answers to the urgent concerns of our day.

Thank you, our library friends, for these donations. Come by and choose some books for a winter read.

I must apologize for taking so long to get these books on the shelf. There are some more titles coming soon. Linda is ever ready to help me and I enjoy her help and enthusiasm. If anyone would like to lend a hand in the library, please let Linda or me know (**Linda Woll**, 610-670-2130 or **Jan**, 610-670-2476.)

May the joy and peace of Christmas be in all our hearts always.

### **ALPHA DAY AWAY AHEAD**

From Dorris McCoy

The adult **ALPHA DAY AWAY** beckons this small group of first time Alpha participants to the home of **Sandi Ronsencrans** on Saturday, December 4, 9 am-3 pm, to explore together the meaning and power of the Holy Spirit. The extended time encourages deepening of our understanding of how the Holy Spirit moves in our lives of faith and where and how we may be led in ministries. A key question for discussion is *How can I make the most of the rest of my life*?

The Youth Alpha group has already had its day away...why not catch one of our teens and ask him or her about it? Plus...the cat's out of the bag...we understand one of them does a most realistic impersonation of Nicki Gumbel, the Alpha series presenter!

Stay tuned in the winter *News-Linc* for a full review of the entire Fall Faith Fest studies





## POST HOLIDAY PLANNING: We Need Your Help

From Dorris McCoy

The **Evauls** would be pleased to know that you're making a New Year's resolution to help at OPPORTUNITY HOUSE in 2005. Making and serving supper is really great fun, even when it means cooking for 90---just ask **Jerry Evaul** for tips on how it's done!

New helpers are always welcome. We serve supper only 6 times a year. It's a 2-4 hour time commitment every other first Tuesday of the month, beginning in January. As the cold of winter arrives, more men, women, and children will be at Opportunity House and in need of a hot, healthy meal to end the day. To volunteer time, desserts, fresh fruits or veggies, or \$\$\$\$ for the next Opportunity House supper on **January 4**, please contact **Jerry or Charleen Evaul**, 610-927-1692.



### Lincoln Park's Bulletin Board

### News-Linc Deadline



### Dec 28

Our January issue comes out the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January.

Please try to keep articles for this smaller issue brief

### Purchase Your Giant Gift Cards

From Becky Chadwick

The LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



FUND COMMITTEE will be selling **Giant grocery store** gift cards. The church will receive \$5 for

every \$100 in gift cards sold.

All you have to do is contact the church office or see **Pam Stanitis** to purchase cards. They will be available in denominations of \$20, \$50, and \$100. The cards are used the same as cash at the Giant grocery store. This is a very easy way to help raise money for the church! Thank you so much for your support!

Answer to the Who Am I? column: **CHARLEEN EVAUL** 

*News-Linc*, monthly publication of Lincoln Park Community United Methodist Church, hopes to link you to your church with information about its programs, plans, and people. Your comments and suggestions are welcome and may be left in the newsletter mailbox by the church office.

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**♥** Dear LPUMC Family,

We would like to send a special thank you to everyone for their prayers for Ryan this past week. We would also like to extend a thank you to Heart and Hand for the dinners that were delivered. With Bill away this week, it was very hard for me to manage everything on my own, and the dinners were a very welcome help. Thank you!

-Becky and Bill Chadwick

John and I want to thank you for the church flowers. They are lovely and a daily reminder of your concern for us and God's grace surrounding us.

Alice and John Ulrich



### May the birth of our Lord so long ago make all the difference in your life today. Merry Christmas!

Worship with us:

8:15 & 10:45 am (Traditional Worship)

9:15 am (Contemporary Worship in Social Hall)

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