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## The Promise of Advent, the Joy of Christmas

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior  
Jesus the Christ!

Each year during these weeks before Christmas we struggle to hold back the joy and celebration of the promised King. The trees and other Christmas paraphernalia have been out since before Halloween in many shops. The sense all around us is to rush, rush - move the time along. For me Advent is special, it is a time to take a deep breath and carefully exam the promise. Can you imagine the wait? Prophets had foretold the coming of the Messiah, but no one knew exactly when this promised one would appear. The people waited. It is good that they didn't have merchants stringing up lights, playing carols and setting out boxes of cards; it allowed them to wait while going about their regular schedules. When the gift arrived, they were not fatigued, frustrated and angry. There was joy! How about us? What can we do to experience the gift of the wait? Many of you who have borne children have a sense of the function of waiting. In waiting there is time to prepare not only the nursery, our family and ourselves, but we also begin to anticipate the big day. We have the

advantage of knowing the "rest of the story" about the birth of Jesus, and that may be our downfall. We know that, yes, the Messiah did enter into our world, God incarnate. We know that he experienced the ups and downs of life; we know that he mentored a wide range of men and women; we know that he had supernatural powers to heal and to redeem; we know that because he taught principles and concepts contrary to the conventional wisdom he was a threat to the powerful. We know that he was captured, sentenced and executed. But this is not the end of the story; he experienced death for our sake and experienced life on our behalf so that we would have an assurance. Our Jesus, our Messiah conquered both sin and death and now we can truly experience the joy of Christmas. Waiting is difficult; but his contemporaries had to wait, too. It took thirty-three years for the eye witnesses to realize that this Jesus is the Messiah! My prayer for each of you during this season of Advent is that you make a conscious effort to enjoy the wait and then experience a NEW joy of Christmas. God with us!

In Christ!

Pastor Beverly

**RICHARDSON PARK U.M.C.**  
**CELEBRATES ADVENT and**  
**CHRISTMAS!**



**Sunday, December 1**

**11:30 AM**

**United Methodist Women  
 Christmas Luncheon and  
 "Baby Shower for Jesus"**

**Bring your favorite dish  
 to share. Everyone is invited.**

**Sunday, December 22**

**4:00 PM**

**Service of the LONGEST NIGHT**

**(More information in this newsletter.)**

**Tuesday, December 24**

**6:30 PM - Family Friendly  
 Candlelight Service**

**10:30 PM - Traditional Candlelight  
 Service**

**Tuesday, December 31**

**11:00 PM - WATCH NIGHT Service  
 and Communion**

**(More information in this newsletter.)**



**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Tammy Brindle	12/1
William Edwards	12/2
Patrick Elliott	12/2
Bruce Workman	12/2
Bryan Cummings	12/3
William Klingler, Jr.	12/4
Marjorie Newton	12/5
Dorothy Scarborough	12/5
Don McFarland	12/7
Josiah Straughn	12/7
William Boyce	12/9
Zachary Casalvera	12/9
Andy Hughes	12/9
Billee Boyd	12/10
Emma Warfel	12/10
Carolyn Stafford	12/11
Dana Bourdon	12/12
Mary Lou Boyce	12/12
Rose Davis	12/12
Steven Ott, Sr.	12/12
Beverly Lewis	12/13
Justin Farren	12/14
Melanie Mitten	12/14
Megan Edwards	12/15
George Smallwood	12/15
Holly Bentley	12/16
David Brown	12/16
Shirly Ritter	12/19
Gladys Swain	12/21
Michael Toy	12/22
Adeline Le Breton	12/23
Tom Atkinson	12/25
Cheryl Lynn Krebs	12/25
Barbara Przywara	12/26
Betty Swain	12/26
Bill Aurelio	12/27
Neal Davis	12/27
Jason Bourdon	12/29
Amanda Graham	12/31

**Note: If your name is not listed on our  
 birthday calendar, please call the office at  
 654-0961. Thank you.**



### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Michael Coverdale	1/2
David Swain	1/2
Karen Collins	1/3
Paigely Boyd	1/4
Sarah James	1/4
Gabriel Klingler	1/4
Harold Spedden	1/4
Ken Horne	1/5
Donny Pasmore	1/6
Lee Powell	1/8
Alexis Anderson	1/10
Cindi Beane	1/11
Riley Parent	1/11
Joseph Watkins	1/12
Dillon Keffer	1/14
Tiffany Scott	1/14
Julie Oakley	1/15
Hunter Saunders	1/15
Kiersten Hughart	1/16
Gillian Fader	1/17
Ginger Pettyjohn	1/17
Emmanuel Lee	1/18
Kenneth Saunders	1/18
Ruth Phillips	1/19
Tony Donnelly	1/20
Marie Bennett	1/23
Kristi Doughty	1/23
Christina Dale	1/29
Riley Ann Sullivan	1/30
Jen Fitzgerald	1/31

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### MISSION TREE



On Sundays in December, we will be hanging **Bells** on our Mission Tree. Hang a “bell” on the tree in honor or memory of someone special to you. Minimum donation is \$1.00. Our tree is located in the Extension.

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

In December, Rebekah Circle will take care of the flowers in the church and in January, Ruth Circle will take care of the flowers. Both Circles will help with the poinsettias.

### Circle Meetings

Rebekah Circle	No meeting in December Tue., January 7 7:00 p.m. – Lounge
Ruth Circle	No meeting in December Wed., January 8 10:00 a.m. - Lounge

### **UMW Covered-dish Christmas Luncheon and “Baby Shower for Jesus” Sunday, December 1 11:30 AM**

**Please join us for a delightful afternoon of food, fellowship and entertainment. The luncheon will be held in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite dish and a baby item which will be donated to CAP for distribution to new mothers.**

### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 Annual Cookie Walk 9 AM – 10:30 AM**

The proceeds from this event go toward UMW mission projects. We would appreciate your donations of cookies. Please label them because of allergies. These delicious cookies will be sold in half-pound holiday gift bags for \$5.00 each. We appreciate your making cookies and/or purchasing them. If you have questions, please call Marlene Johnson at 328-5806 or Lee Powell at 995-1307. Come join the fun and enjoy the cookies!



### MISSION TREE



On Sundays in January, we are hanging **Snowflakes** on our Mission Tree. Hang a “snowflake” on the tree in honor or memory of someone special to you. Minimum donation is \$1.00. Our tree is located in the Extension.



## **CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS THIS ADVENT SEASON**

The beautiful decorations which will adorn our church during Advent are graciously provided by the following members of RPUMC:

<i>Advent Wreath</i>	<i>Phyllis Bowman</i>
<i>Altar Trees</i>	<i>Clyde &amp; Carolyn Nafzinger</i>
<i>Altar Wreath</i>	<i>Pat Cummings</i>
<i>Altar Wreath</i>	<i>Ruth Gibney</i>
<i>Balcony Wreath</i>	<i>Raphael and Paulette-</i>
<i>Door Wreath</i>	<i>Cleaver Lazzaro</i>
<i>Door Wreath</i>	<i>Dave &amp; Kathy Rogers</i>
<i>Door Wreath</i>	<i>Dorothy Scarborough</i>
<i>Door Wreath</i>	<i>Joan Stadelman</i>
<i>Door Wreath</i>	<i>Marvin &amp; Betty Swain</i>
<i>Nativity Scenes</i>	<i>Koinonia Class</i>

## **KIDS' KORNER**



Everyone in Sunday School is preparing for the season of Advent! Special activities and Bible study are being planned. We have classes for all ages - please come visit us!

Adult Wesley Class

Jesus and the Just Reign of God

5<sup>th</sup> grade and up The Beatitudes

K-4<sup>th</sup> grades Advent and the Baby Jesus

Pre-school Advent and the Baby Jesus

You also are invited to the United Methodist Women's covered-dish luncheon following worship on December 1. The Sunday School is joining the UMW for a "Baby Shower for Jesus." The children will have a short program - you certainly do not want to miss it!

Blessings, Ms. Marlene



## **WESLEY TOWER BANKS**

**November 2013 \$74.65**

Thanks to everyone for remembering to bring your filled banks to church the first Sunday of each month. Our total to date for 2013 is \$846.64. Remember to pick up an empty bank as you leave the altar area on Communion Sunday. AGAIN, THANKS FOR SAVING YOUR CHANGE .

## **AN ADVENT STUDY**

**The Journey – Walking the Road to Bethlehem  
By Adam Hamilton**

This five-session study was filmed on location in the Holy Land. Each session contains a 10-15 minute video retracing the path of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. Join us on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. or Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the Lounge beginning December 2, 2013. (No books are required.)



## **CHRISTMAS SHOPPE**

*Every Thursday through December 19*

*10 AM - 2 PM*

*And*

*Saturday, December 7*

*Christmas Shoppe & Mini Yard Sale*

*9 AM - 2 PM*

## A Service of the Longest Night Or Blue Christmas

The Service of the Longest Night is a worship service that is planned during Advent. For many churches, it is provided near the longest night of the year - around December 21 or 22. It acknowledges that, for many people, Christmas is a time of loneliness, sorrow, alienation and sadness. This service offers a way for people to claim those feelings and still feel surrounded by the compassionate love of God. We will offer such a service here at Richardson Park UMC (open to the public) on Sunday, December 22, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. You are invited to attend and bring a friend who struggles during the Christmas Season. Or you may come to be a healing presence to comfort persons who attend. This service will be held in the Extension.

Pastor Beverly

### Watch Night Observance in the Church

#### For African Americans

The Watch Night Services in Black communities can be traced back to gatherings on December 31, 1862, also known as "Freedom's Eve." On that night, Blacks came together in churches and private homes all across the nation, anxiously awaiting news that the Emancipation Proclamation actually had become law. Then, at the stroke of midnight, it was January 1, 1863, and all slaves in the Confederate States were declared legally free.

#### For United Methodists

John Wesley, founder of the Methodist movement, picked up the Watch Night service from the Moravians, incorporating a Watch Night vigil into the practices of the denomination. Methodist Watch Nights were held once a month and on full moons, with the first such service in the United States taking place in 1770 at Old St. George's Church in Philadelphia. These services survive to the present day in our *Book of Worship* as "Covenant Renewal Services." The covenant prayer is often included in the first worship service of the new year.

#### For Christians

Watch Night is celebrated by congregants gathering at their churches on the last evening of the year to attend special services that typically begin between 7 and 10 p.m. and continue through midnight. This service is a time to reflect upon and give thanks for the departing year and pray for the future, a spiritual way of celebrating the gift of a new year. I see this service as a time for us to come together, give thanks and to celebrate Holy Communion as a community. We will gather at 11:00 p.m. and end around midnight on December 31, 2013.

Hogan-Albach, Susan. "Watch Night." *[Minneapolis] Star Tribune*. 27 December 1997 (p. B5).  
Johnson, Jean. "Watching and Waiting for Profound New Year's Eve." *St. Petersburg Times*. 5 January 2002 (Religion, p. 3).

Read more at

<http://www.snopes.com/holidays/newyears/watchnight.asp#TKuuxE5A2yGDQYPF.99>



## ***Laity Enlightenment***

One day recently, I was driving to church and I heard an ambulance in the distance. As I came over the bridge in Elsmere, the emergency vehicle was coming towards me and passed me as I reached the top. I heard the siren and listened to the pitch change as it approached, passed and continued to move away in the opposite direction. I said a quick prayer for those in the ambulance and whoever they were going to help. Then I remembered something I learned in high school physics class: The Doppler Effect. This is the name for the change in frequency that occurs as a sound moves toward and away from you. Not something you have a regular use for in everyday life but an interesting fact, nonetheless.

It occurred to me that the Doppler Effect is strangely like life. As we go through our days and years, beginning at birth, there is a constant movement of people, things and events passing by us. If we're paying attention, we will notice the changes and make the best of them. If we're not paying attention, we can miss a lot of life and opportunities. There are many who have voiced their own ideas and philosophies about change with respect to life and the world in which we live. I did a search on the internet and discovered a website with 1474 quotes about change so I've listed some of my favorites below.

"Be the change that you wish to see in the world."  
Mahatma Gandhi

"Things change. And friends leave. Life doesn't stop for anybody." Stephen Chbosky, *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed, citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

"Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself." Leo Tolstoy

"The world as we have created it is a process of our thinking. It cannot be changed without changing our thinking." Albert Einstein

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Nelson Mandela

"Change will not come if we wait for some other person, or if we wait for some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek."  
Barack Obama

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." Mother Teresa

I don't know who first coined the phrase, "Change is Good," but I hear it used fairly often. And whoever it was that started that saying had to be a glass-is-half-full kind of person. Change **can** be good but it can also bring uncertainty and anxiety, stress and fear. The rate of change that occurs in our lives can keep us constantly on edge, making it even harder to focus on what's important. One of my favorite phrases to sum up the frenzied pace of change in the world is, "the only thing constant is change." But that's not really true. The only thing constant is God. In Hebrews 1:10-12, Paul wrote,

And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

God is the unchanging constant in our lives. We can depend on Him to see us through all of the "Doppler Effect" changes we encounter in life. Let us keep our focus on God and strive to change ourselves for the better and, in turn, change the world.

I wish you all a Blessed and Beautiful Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Your Lay Leader,

Kathy Rogers

## Handling the Holidays by Rev. Constance Hastings, MSCC, NCC Daybreak Counseling Services, Inc.

For those who are grieving the death of a loved one or a lost relationship, life has changed. Holidays will be different. It is not a choice of pain or no pain, but how to manage the pain we feel. The important thing is to do what is comfortable for us and any family we have. We must understand that as grieving people we do not function at normal capacity. We have definite limitations. Therefore, it is important to evaluate our priorities and decide what is really meaningful for us.

First, we must acknowledge and accept our feelings. Tears, depression, and loneliness are all natural reactions to loss. At the same time, we don't have to feel we are betraying anyone if we are able to enjoy some of the festivities.

We must decide if we can handle comfortably things such as whether or not to talk about our loved one openly, whether to stay at home for the holidays, to spend them with friends or family, or to get out of town to a different holiday environment altogether if possible.

Ask the following questions before making a decision on participating in holiday activities: Do I really enjoy doing this? Is this something that can be shared with other family members or friends? Do family members enjoy doing this? Would Christmas be Christmas without it?

Try making changes. Some suggestions to the situation easier to handle might be to open presents Christmas Eve instead of Christmas morning (or vice-versa), have dinner at a different time or place, possibly with different people or even attend Christmas services at a different church.

Remember or honor your loved one. Write down and put in a stocking special thoughts and feelings about the loved one who has died. Light a special candle in memory of your loved one. (This can be used on other special occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries.)

Purchase a living tree or plant as a Christmas memorial. These can be placed in a church, planted in the yard, or placed on the grave.

Concentrate on doing something for someone else. Donate your time at a local soup kitchen, shelter, or just spend time with someone who is shut in and has few visitors. Give a gift in memory of a loved one. Invite someone who might otherwise be alone to celebrate with you.

Evaluate your coping plans. Do your plans isolate you from those who love and support you best? Do your plans allow for you to meaningfully express what Christmas means to you? Have you let others know of any changes you are making so they can have appropriate expectations of you and know best how to help you?

Whatever you do, try to remember these things: Take one day at a time. Be realistic. Set limits and do those things which are most meaningful. Know that whatever you choose to do this year may not be what you decide to do next year. Remember, exhaustion changes perspective and blows everything out of proportion. Get enough rest to make getting through the holidays easier.

The world likes to portray sweet images of Christmas. But the real situation of Christ's birth wasn't that idyllic. A young girl, found to be pregnant, becomes a single mom without a real husband. The only thing that convinces her fiancé to stick with her is an angel from heaven. When she is near delivery, they are ordered by the government to travel several days, and upon arrival, they wind up sleeping in a barn where she goes into labor without the assistance of women and family to help. She wraps her baby in rags against the cold and covers him with manger hay to make a bed. Picture Christmas how it really was and see how life can be so wrong.

So this was how God's Son was supposed to be born? Many religions of the world demonstrate to people how to find God, but Christianity is the only religion where God comes and finds us. For in His coming, Christ lets us know that when life is so wrong and not what it should be, that's when God shows up.

*By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." Luke 1:78-79*

*Daybreak Counseling Services is a nonprofit clinical pastoral counseling agency that not only addresses the presenting issue or problem but also allows for the inclusion of spirituality within sessions. It is supported through payments determined on a sliding scale basis, private grants, and individual donations. Rev. Constance Hastings, a nationally certified counselor and United Methodist deacon, sees clients at St. Paul's and Atonement United Methodist Churches with both day and evening hours. Call 302-745-1042 for information or to make an appointment.*

# December 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 UMW Christmas Luncheon Worship Team meet after luncheon 1:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>2</b> 6:30 PM The Journey	<b>3</b> 10 AM The Journey 11 AM Soup Day 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>4</b> 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>5</b> 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>6 Fellowship Hall Reserved</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	<b>7 Fellowship Hall Reserved</b> 9 AM Ye Olde Shoppe and Mini Yard Sale
<b>8</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 1:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>9</b> 6:30 PM The Journey	<b>10</b> 10 AM The Journey 11 AM Soup Day 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>11</b> 6:30 PM NA Policy Group 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>12</b> 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 AM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>13</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	<b>14 AM Extension Reserved</b> 9 AM UMW Cookie Walk
<b>15</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM SPRC Meeting 11:30 AM Trustees Mtg. 1:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	<b>16</b> 6 PM The Journey 7 PM Charge Conference	<b>17</b> 10 AM The Journey 11 AM Soup Day 7 PM CAP Board Mtg. 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>18</b> 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>19</b> 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>20</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC 5:30 PM Koinonia Christmas Party	<b>21 Sanctuary Reserved</b> 9 AM Cantata Dress Rehearsal
<b>22</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 Council Meeting 4 PM Service of the Longest Night	<b>23</b> 6:30 PM The Journey	<b>24 Christmas Eve</b> 6:30 PM Family Friendly Candlelight Service 10:30 PM Traditional Candlelight Service 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>25 Christmas Day</b> 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>26 Office Closed</b> 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>27 Office Closed</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 12 PM Open House – The Parsonage	<b>30</b> 6:30 PM The Journey	<b>31 Office Closed</b> 8 PM AA Meeting 11 PM Watch Night Service				



# January 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			<b>1 New Year's Day</b> 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>2</b> 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>3</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 11 AM Soup Day 7 PM Rebekah Circle 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>8</b> 10 AM Ruth Circle 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>9</b> 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 AM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>10 Youth Rally – Ocean City, MD</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	<b>11 Youth Rally</b>
<b>12 Youth Rally</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Education Mtg. 11:30 AM UMW Unit Mtg.	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 11 AM Soup Day 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>15</b> 6:30 PM NA Policy Group 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>16</b> 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>17</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	<b>18 Fellowship Hall Reserved</b> 9 AM Continuing Education for Leaders
<b>19</b> 9 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Pre-School 10 AM Fellowship Time 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM SPRC Mtg. 11:30 AM Trustees Mtg.	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 11 AM Soup Day 7 PM CAP Board Mtg. 8 PM AA Meeting	<b>22</b> 7:30 PM NA Meeting	<b>23</b> 10 AM Ye Olde Shoppe 11 AM Free Lunch 6:15 PM Chancel Bells 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM AA Meeting	<b>24</b> 11 AM Free Lunch – Peniel UMC	<b>25</b>
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READERS

December 1	Don McFarland
December 8	Linda Keffer
December 15	Jen Fitzgerald
December 22	Pastor Wendy and Roger Longest
December 29	Rob Anderson

January 5	Pat Cummings
January 12	Sheldon Edwards
January 19	Rose Davis
January 26	Kristi Doughty

FLOWERS

For the month of December, Rebekah Circle is responsible for the flowers and for the month of January, Ruth Circle is responsible.

Please submit your articles for the February Messenger to the Church Office by Monday, January 6. Thank you.

ALTAR FLOWERS

December 1	Harriet-Ann van Boven
December 8	Dorothy Burris
December 15	Dennis and Marlene Johnson
December 22	Poinsettias
December 29	Anna Mae Shewbrooks

January 5	Doris Evans-Munger
January 12	Robert Truitt
January 19	Sandy Ide
January 26	Gail Eney

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING FOOD FOR  
CAP THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH.

*The purpose of Richardson Park United Methodist Church is to help people experience the amazing love of God and develop a vital relationship with Jesus Christ.*