

# The Breeze

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A Publication of Dryland U.C.C. to keep our members and friends informed of our programs, opportunities, and events.  
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## **January 5 – Second Sunday after Christmas**

Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am  
Sunday School 9:00 am  
Holy Communion  
Birthday Sunday  
Undecorate the church after 10:15 service

## **January 12 – The Baptism of Christ**

Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am  
Sunday School 9:00 am

## **January 19 – Second Sunday after Epiphany**

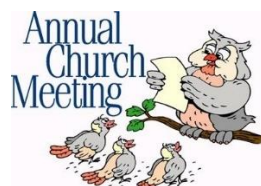
Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am  
Sunday School 9:00 am  
Congregational Meeting 11:30 am

## **January 26 – Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Worship Service at 8:00 & 10:15 am  
Sunday School 9:00 am



**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
January 6, 2020



Annual Church Meeting  
January 19, 2020  
11:30 am

The peace of the Lord be with you. The new year marks new beginnings and new possibilities. During this season, we celebrate the Epiphany of Christ. Epiphany means “manifestation” or “showing forth.” It celebrates the time that Jesus’ divinity was revealed to the Gentiles. It is also known by different names in many cultures. Two such examples include Three Kings’ Day and Armenian Christmas. This time commemorates the glorious manifestation of God-with-us when the wise men, or Magi, traveled far to visit Jesus as a child.

For Christians across the globe, this season celebrates the revelation of Jesus as the Prince of Peace. The message of God’s love and desire for all humanity to turn back to God and be redeemed is such joyous news! The world needs this good news. People are looking for something more than what social media, sports, news feeds, and shopping can offer. People are longing for deeper connections and a place to belong. The Church of Christ is a tremendous community that helps people to hear God’s call to love God and one another. I rejoice that Dryland United Church of Christ is a place to experience God’s unfailing love, mercy, and grace – a place to belong.

As we continue to praise God together for each new day and every opportunity to be the love, light, and salt in the world, remember that God is not done with us yet. God is doing a new thing with us. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. (Isaiah 43:19) The prophet beckons our attention and asks if we perceive the way being made in the places that we live, work, endure, and explore. God is

doing a marvelous thing that is unique to each person and yet works together to build God's beloved community.

In this new year, I invite you to reconnect with the community, ministries, and worship through Dryland United Church of Christ. I encourage you to rejoice for God's promises are fulfilled in the declaration recorded in Jeremiah 29:11: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." I ask you to remember the gift of Christ and to pray to God for the concerns and desires of your heart. Your prayers allow you to abide in God's love that you may also love those around you and find Dryland UCC as *your* place to belong in Christ.

In Christ's Service,  
Pastor Edward



**Prayer Concerns and Joys:**

Brian Hartranft, Laura Hoffert, Bob Jones, the family of Ryan Wesner

**Long-term Prayer Concerns:**

Kathy Anderson, Matthew

Atwood, Sandi Berry, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Jean Cruttenden, Shawn Durn, Linda Fries, Charlie Gianguzi, Barbara Goldman, Jim Goldman, Gayle Kozak, Carey Laubach, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Wayne Lilly, Rita Metz, Barbara Moon, JoAnn Moon, Ethel Okker, Grayce Raven, Ken Raven, Jakob Raven, Ted Spradlin, Shirley Trumbauer, Jason Vliet, Paty Vliet, David Wagner, Jeffrey Wert, Charissa Williams, Carter Wolfgang

**Our Service People:** A1C Patrick Jones, Spec 4 Logan Koch, Major Scott Lechner, TSGT Paul Moore, PO2 Rodger Nagy, LTC Paul Olah, LT. JG Seth Watlington



MAGS

January 14, 2020, 10:30 a.m. will be our next meeting for MAGS, weather permitting. Topic will be announced at a later date. Refreshments will be served, and a short meeting will be held. Please join us. We are always looking for new faces. We have a lot of fun! Come out and see.

**PERSONS OF THE MONTH**

**All Volunteers in December**

If you helped decorate the church for Advent and Christmas, if you helped serve or helped at any of the dinners, if you helped with baking for birthday Sunday or the Christmas Program, if you helped with Christmas Program, we thank you for all you do in front and behind the scenes. You are

**APPRECIATED!**

It is great people like these that keep Dryland a great family.

Nominated by Kathy I. Peters, Breeze Editor



January 7 (Tues) 8:00 a.m.,  
Diner 248, Easton, PA.

Please join us for Good Company  
and a Thought for the Day!



Food  
Collection

**NAZARETH FOOD BANK**

What to bring in this month: Baby needs, diapers, wipes, powder, formula, etc.

**THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**

**I do not know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know – the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve.**

# JANUARY

## Birthdays

- 1 Tyler Moore
- 2 Ethan Teitsworth
- 4 Stacey Banko
- 5 Trent Fogel, Jaxson Lutz, Eric Moore
- 6 Jared Green, Carol Ryan
- 7 Corey Smith, Ernie Snyder, Emily Statfield
- 8 Kelly Stoudt, Richard Wessner
- 11 Donna Burton, Jaxson Price, James Weisel
- 12 Dewayne Heller
- 15 Delbert Christman
- 16 Ronald Davis, Gary Spadaccia
- 17 Jessica Motto
- 20 Jenny Intrepido, Jason Motts
- 21 Elizabeth Erceg, Sharon Ruppert, Donna Scagel, Brian Wessner
- 22 Mark Cruttenden
- 25 Grant Brown
- 26 Evelyn Hawk
- 27 Kim Hontz
- 29 Janet Day, Bill Tomko
- 30 Jack Schmauch

# JANUARY

## Anniversaries

- 15 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bostian 25 years
- 22 Mr. & Mrs. Randall Butterworth 20 years
- 25 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Atwood 23 years



**New charts are now available** in the narthex to sponsor 2020 Flowers and Bulletins! Please sign up early for your favorite dates!

**Change in Sponsorship:** We decided to discontinue the Children's Bulletins.

They will be replaced by coloring and activity sheets which will be in the back of the church. Please be sure to return the crayons, preferable in the box, for use on the following Sunday. Please take the activities home with you or recycle them as you do with your regular bulletins.



**The next Third Thursday dinner** will be on January 16<sup>th</sup>, serving from 4PM – 6PM. The price will still be \$5 per person. The menu will be announced shortly.

## THOSE WHO WILL SERVE

### January 5 – 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Mae Pursel / Sheri Fitzgerald  
 BULLETINS – Sandy & Bill Banko  
 GREETERS – Mark Atwood, Charlie Berthoud  
 LAY READER – Dan Cruttenden  
 USHERS – Consistory

### January 12 – 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Open / Open  
 BULLETINS – Mary Ann Heller  
 GREETERS – Bill & Sandy Banko  
 LAY READER – Charlie Berthoud  
 USHERS – Mark Atwood, Charlie Berthoud  
 Bill & Sandy Banko

### January 19 – 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Pat & Dennis Muthard  
 Joann & Luther Mitman  
 BULLETINS – Open  
 GREETERS – Norma Faust, Jim Goldman  
 LAY READER – Linda Atwood  
 USHERS – Dewayne Heller, Jerry Hittinger  
 Steve & Monna Lou Henninger

### January 26 – 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Open / Open  
 BULLETINS – Open  
 GREETERS – Dewayne Heller, Jennifer Johnson  
 LAY READER – Dave Faust  
 USHERS – Tracy Jones, Pat Muthard  
 Dale Johnson, Randi Johnson

The offering envelopes for 2020 are now available on the table in the church Narthex. Please stop by and pick up yours and of your family at your convenience. This will save the church the cost of mailing the envelopes at a later date. Thanks for your assistance and may you enjoy a joyous Christmas season and Happy New Year.



**If services need to be cancelled due to inclement weather, please go to WFMZ, or church answering machine, 610-759-4444, for information or updates.**



**Janet Day** – 1/29/35, 610-865-3598  
 Country Meadows, Bldg 3, Room 130,  
 4007 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020  
**Eleanor Hahn** – 12/9/23, 610-748-0049,  
 Saucon Valley Manor, Room 24, 1050 Main St.,  
 Hellertown, PA 18055  
**Naomi Hunt** – 12/10/27, 610-759-4558,  
 Country Meadows, Bldg. 5, Room 6B,  
 4005 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020



Well, 2019 is a wrap! Thank you to all of the teachers for all of your help and dedication to our students this year. They look forward to coming to class and learning God's message. Also thank you to everyone involved in our Christmas program. The students did a great job. A special thank you to everyone who generously donated baked goods and chocolate milk for them to enjoy afterwards. Sunday School will resume in the new year on January 5, 2020. Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Stacee Banko



I want to thank Pastor Ed, Nancy Catino, and members of the church for their thoughts, prayers and visits while I was a

patient in the hospital and Country Meadows. We appreciate the meals provided for Jim and me when I came home. Jim and I are blessed having a loving church family.

In Christian Love,  
 Barb Goldman

I would like to thank everyone who remembered my birthday on December 10. It made me feel good to know that my family and friends and church family remembered me.

In Christian Love,  
 Naomi Hunt

I want to thank everyone for the well wishes and cards I received while recovering from a mild heart attack over Thanksgiving. Thank you again.

In Friendship and Christian Love,  
 Lois Hunt



**What, you ask, is on-line giving?**

Simply put, it is a way in which you can pre-authorize a debit from your bank account either on a one-time or recurring basis to give your contribution to the church without using cash or writing a check. The finance committee began looking into this process after a number of members, who do much of their banking and bill payments electronically, asked if this process was possible. We contacted our church accounting program company and found it was not only possible, but very popular among church congregations across the country. Several of our members have signed onto the program and we are happy to announce that the program not only works well but is easy to enroll and provides the church with a steady and reliable flow of contributions to the church on a continuing basis.

If you are interested in participating in the program, please contact Craig Johnson at 610-746-0162 or Jerry Hittinger at 610-866-6516. You can also contact the church office and the church secretary will put you in contact with one of us for further information.

**CONSISTORY – 2019**

- President – Dale Vliet (E)
- Vice President – Steve Henninger (E)
- Secretary – Linda Atwood (D)
- Treasurer – Dewayne Heller (E)

**Committees**

- Christian Education – Stacee Banko (D)
- Church and Ministry – Dan Cruttenden (E)
- Evangelism – Nancy Catino (E)
- Finance – Dewayne Heller (E)
- Inside Property – Steve Henninger (E)
- Outside Property - Dave Faust (E)
- Missions – Tracy Jones (E)
- Music & Worship – Linda Atwood (D)
- Stewardship – Susan Bostian (D)

## **INDOOR PROPERTY REPORT**

Meeting Minutes - items completed this month

- Continue in the process of cleaning up the key list and having keys returned to the church for reuse.
- Equipment was installed for Sanctuary Cooling system SW Corner.
- Shelves are being built for the Kitchen Committee in Closet #1
- Septic System was pumped out.
- Only item remaining for Facility inspections is the inspection of the fire Extinguishers to ensure they are in working order. That will be done by the end of December.

The Church Facility consists of 7 different Heating and Cooling Systems. All which are older than 20-25 years and over the last several years have had to have major repairs. In 2018 at the congregational meeting it was approved to have in the budget each year replacing one of these system's per year. One system consists of an outside unit plus an air Handler inside. Both units must be replaced because of the EPA up dated Freon requirement. The following makes up the 7 systems:

- 2 Air conditioning system for the Sanctuary (SE side and SW side). Heat is from boiler.
- 1 Air condition system for the Narthex and Hallway including the Nursery, Classroom 2 and 3, and financial room. System is on flat roof. Heat is from boiler
- 1 Air conditioning system for Office, Pastor's study and Choir room including restrooms. Heat is from boiler.
- 1- Heat Pump/ Cooling, (heating and cooling) system for East side of CEC.
- 2- Heat pumps / Cooling, (heating and cooling) system for West side of CEC and Kitchen.

2018 one system was replaced for East side of CEC. 2019 one system was replaced in the Sanctuary SW side. By 2024 all systems will be replaced.

Stephen R. Henninger, Chair

## **EVANGELISM REPORT**

20 members journeyed to Christmas Caroling for our homebound fellow members. We shared love and joy with them in song. I thank this wonderful group of people and Rich and Karen for providing the lunch beforehand.

Please remember our homebound members with cards, calls and prayers throughout the year.

Please share if someone needs a visit with a phone call to the church office.

In the meantime, if we see a new face worshipping with us, let us approach and welcome them. If we see an old familiar fac, let's do the same with a smile and greeting.

I am finishing my time on Consistory but will continue to serve on the Evangelism committee.

Have blessed New Year.

Nancy Catino, Chair

## **MISSIONS REPORT**

Thank you to everyone who helped with our most recent Special Olympics dinners. A wonderful time was had by all who attended!

Thank you to everyone who has brought in hats, mittens and socks for the donation tree in the Narthex. These gifts will provide warmth to those in need and will be delivered after the holidays.

Tracy Jones, Chair

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The cash receipt and expenditure activity for the period November 1 thru November 30, 2019 is attached. The category Current-Mission-Property encompasses the options on the weekly giving envelope. These costs cover the basic needs to keep your church operational (i.e salaries, utilities, insurance, property maintenance). The Capital category is referring to the capital section of the giving envelope. The monies here are applied to the loan obtained for the sanctuary renovation in 2009. Giant Card program is another way to support the church through Giant Markets giving back 5% of total sales made by obtaining a Giant Gift Card.

The Note area is a guide to keep us on target for meeting our commitments.

With the covenant made between God and each one of us, we will support the programs offered by our Dryland family.

Happy, Healthy, & Prosperous New Year!  
God's Blessings

Dewayne Heller, Treasurer

Craig Johnson, Asst. Treasurer

Finance Committee: Dewayne Heller, Craig Johnson, Jerry Hittinger, Monna Lou Henninger, Steve Henninger, Karen Lambert, T,J. Bostian, Pastor Edward.

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**We wish a very Happy and Healthy New Year to everyone and members of your families from the staff of Dryland U.C.C: Pastor Edward, Chris, Kathy, Susan, Carol, Dewayne, Craig, Jerry, and Dawn**



**SOUP SALE ORDER FORM**

**\$4.50 per Pint, \$9 per Quart**

**Order by Sunday, January 16, 2020**

**Pick-Up Saturday, January 25 from 8 am – 2 pm  
Or Sunday, January 26 after 11:30 am**

**Name/Phone \_\_\_\_\_**

**WIMPY RICH'S PRIZE-WINNING CHILI**

Number of Pints \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Quarts \_\_\_\_\_

**VEGETARIAN CHILI**

Number of Pints \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Quarts \_\_\_\_\_

**KAREN'S CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP**

Number of Pints \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Quarts \_\_\_\_\_

**OL JER'S FAMOUS VEGETABLE BEEF SOUP**

Number of Pints \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Quarts \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL NUMBER OF PINTS \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF QUARTS \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL DUE \_\_\_\_\_**

Place Order Form in Envelope on Bulletin Board in Narthex, or contact Rich at 484-894-9799, Karen at 610-504-1158, or the church office at 610-759-4444.

Proceeds benefit the Stucco Fund.

<b>Category</b>	<b>November Receipts</b>	<b>November Expenses</b>	<b>November Balance</b>	<b>YTD Receipts</b>	<b>YTD Expense</b>	<b>YTD Balance</b>
Current-Mission-Property	\$11,147.69	\$17,946.87	-\$6,799.18	\$137,465.78	\$149,115.74	-\$11,649.96
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,172.00	\$1,226.00	-\$54.00	\$14,128.00	\$12,858.76	\$1,269.24
<b>Total Category Balance</b>	<b>\$12,319.69</b>	<b>\$19,172.87</b>	<b>-\$6,853.18</b>	<b>\$151,593.78</b>	<b>\$161,974.50</b>	<b>-\$10,380.72</b>
Giant Card Program	\$2,950.00	\$2,802.50	\$147.50	\$20,849.00	\$19,807.50	\$1,041.50

**NOTE:**

2019 Budget (exclude Capital)	\$212,654.00
Monthly Receipts Required	\$17,721.17
Weekly Receipts Required	\$4,089.50
2019 Budget (Capital)	\$19,506.00
Monthly Receipts Required	\$1,226.00
Weekly Receipts Required	\$306.50