

'Till We Meet Again!

Week of December 25 & 26, 2021

weekend worship

Worship on **Saturday, December 25** will be a prerecorded service **made available at 8 am.** Worship on **Sunday, December 26 at 10:30 AM** will be held at **Light of Christ,** Facemasks are required!

WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEK

Presiding Minister: Pastor Suzanne

December 26: 10:30 AM

Assisting Minister: Rosalie Adducie **Communion Assistant:** Brynn Anderson

Usher 1: Cliff Bengston **Greeter:** Josh Gulotta **Acolyte:** Rosalie Adducie



DECEMBER 26TH AND JANUARY 2ND

There will one service at 10:30 am on December 26th. This service will be at Light of Christ. There will also be one 10:30 am service on January 2nd. That service will be at St. John's Windish. There will not be Sunday School either of those days.

POINSETTIA DELIVERY

Please pick up poinsettias for homebound members and others you feel would like to have one. LoC will be open from 10-11 on Dec. 27th, Jose and/or Harmony will be available on

Dec. 27 at St John's Windish, and St Peter's will be open on the 27th in the morning as well.



BOOK CLUB

Join us for our next book club reading discussion. It will be on January 2nd after the 10:30 worship service at St. John's Windish The book we chose to read is The Pull of The Stars by Emma Donoghue. It's the story of a nurse in Ireland struggling with war and disease during the first world war. Light amidst the darkness and hope against all odds threads throughout the story.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Mark your calendars! Once again, we would like to start of the new year by showing our generous thanks to all the first responders who work hard in our community year-round.

To that end, we will host a First Responders Appreciation Breakfast &Luncheon on Saturday, January 15, 2022 (with a snow date of the following Saturday, January 22) at St. John's Windish. Since our event spans breakfast and lunch, we need lots of volunteers and food. You can volunteer for the breakfast shift or for the lunch shift, or stay the whole day! We ask that breakfast shift volunteers arrive at St. John's by 7:00 a.m. and remain until 11:00 a.m. For the lunch shift, we ask that volunteers arrive at St. John's by 11:00 a.m. and remain until clean up is complete around 3:00 p.m. If you would like to help with this awesome event, please let Gina Brockway know

(ginbrockway86@gmail.com or call or text 610-703-8249).

We also need volunteers to donate food (breakfast & lunch foods plus desserts) and paper products.

We hope you can help us show our thanks & appreciation to our community's First Responders!





Visitation: If you or a loved one are in the hospital and would like a visit, please let the church office know. We will find someone to come and visit you or give you a call.

Dr. Irene Todd Scholarship: Dr. Irene Todd was a member of Rosemont Lutheran Church from the 1940's until she died in 2004. Upon her death, she bequeathed funds to Rosemont Lutheran where they established a scholarship in her name. The scholarship is for students who achieved academic competency as well as serve compassionately in their church commu-If selected, the student would received \$1500 to go toward undergraduate, Bachelor's, Associate's or Trade School degree from an accredited institution. If you have any questions or are interested in applying, contact Rosemont Lutheran Church at (610) 867-3705 email secretaryatroseor by at mont@yahoo.com.

Bethlehem No Home For Hate: The "Bethlehem No Home for Hate" campaign, has just been launched by the Mayor's office, the Bethlehem Community Advisory Board, and the local NAACP. In a time of increasing polarization and intolerance, we want to encourage

our constituent organizations to stand together in expressing our solidarity as beloved children of God. A copy of the petition will be available to sign Sundays at worship.

Bethlehem Emergency Shelter: The Bethlehem Emergency Shelter opened it's doors on Monday, November 15 for the start of the 2021-2022 Sheltering Season. The UPG and St John's have partnered with Star of Bethlehem to prepare and serve meals and to provide volunteers to register guests and monitor the showers on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. There are many other opportunities to serve such as providing desserts or breakfast items or even to apply for a Thrivent Action team to help purchase food items if you cannot be present at the shelter to help out. Please prayerfully consider becoming a member of this outreach team that provides a warm meal and shelter in addition to caring fellowship for our brothers and sisters...and we have fun doing it! You can sign up using the following link https:// signup.com/go/RMoFYeL or contact Michel Lloyd at 484-695-3921 or michellloyd@gmail.com. Peace and blessings!

Utility Assistance this Winter: Do you need help with utility bills this winter? There are government programs which can help. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program provides \$200-\$1000 to utilities companies as credit on the customers bill. There is also the Emergency Rental Assistance Program which can help those who struggled to pay for their utilities due to the pandemic. If you want more information, contact the County Public Assistance Office weekdays at 866-857-7095 or go to dhs.pa.gov.

Enter the Bible: Luther Seminary has created a resource called "Enter the Bible" to help people understand scripture better. It breaks down each book in the Bible and gives an overview of its background and context. It is free to use and can be found at https://enterthebible.org/free-account-registration/.

WEEKLY MAILINGS

If you have returned to in-person Worship and are no longer in need of the weekly mailing packet, please contact the church office.

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Mary, the activity director at ProMedica/Old Orchard, receiving 155 gifts provided by our 3 churches for the residents.



THIS WEEK IN THE UPG: DECEMBER 25— JANUARY 2

Saturday December 25

8:00 AM Christmas Eve live stream available on YouTube and the UPG website

Sunday December 26

10:30 AM Worship at Light of Christ

Monday December 27

10:00 AM All 3 churches open to pick up Poinsettias

Tuesday December 28

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast at The Palace Restaurant

7:00 PM Joint Council Meeting

Wednesday December 29

9:00 AM Christian Service

Saturday January 1

8:00 AM New Year's Day live stream available on YouTube and the UPG website

Sunday January 2

10:30 AM Worship at St. John's Windish

11:30 AM General Book Club at St. John's Windish