

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Everyone is welcome to come for a time of prayer for our church and our community in the Adult Sunday School class #1 on Sunday mornings. They will be meeting next Sunday, January 1, at 9:30am.

Pastor Matt will be on vacation December 25-31. If a pastoral need arises during that time contact Pastor Mervin or one of the elders.

Pastor Mervin and Rhoda will be in the office this week on Tuesday and Thursday.

There will be no family night activities for any ages on December 28.

We will be having a worship service on January 1, at 10:00am. There will be no Sunday School.

Sign-up on the bulletin board to volunteer to host the Hospitality Center for a month. A list of the duties is included on the sign-up sheet.

We will be having another Remembrance Sunday on January 15, remembering loved ones and saints of the church who have passed away. If there is someone who you would like to especially remember please contact the church office to include their picture and/or name in the service. You may submit a new picture or use a picture that was previously used. Please submit all information by January 8.

Today is the last day to purchase Lorene Hershberger's delicious candy in the gathering area.

Dinner Theater is coming up February 24, 25, & 26. We are looking for prayer partners for the dinner theater cast and we are also asking people to bring a snack for practices. If you are willing, please sign up on the bulletin board. Thanks so much!

There are Spidell Funeral Home calendars by the bulletin board for anyone who would like to have one.

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member or getting baptized talk to Pastor Matt or Pastor Mervin. We hope to begin classes in January.

Thank you so much for the cookie plate and fruit tray from the sewing, the beautiful poinsettia, and all the cards and prayers. We want to wish everyone a merry Christmas and a happy New Year! Mose & Naomi Erb

Thank you to the congregation for the amazing support for the Charles Gibbs benefit. A special thank you to the volunteers that helped prepare and serve the food. Candis Riffle

There are 2 coffee butlers missing from the kitchen. If you know where they are please return them or talk to Janet Shoup.

We will be having Penny Power again on the first Sunday of the month beginning in January, so be sure to bring your change along next Sunday.

Beginning January 4 we will be having a men's and women's bible study every other Wednesday evening. The women will be studying the book "The Best Yes" by Lysa TerKeurst led by Sheila Shoup and the men "What's on Your Mind?" by Merlin Carothers led by Dave Schlupe. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board. The other weeks we will have a combined men & women's bible study led by Pastor Matt and will be continuing a study on the Holy Spirit.

If anyone uses the kitchen or family life center for any reason, especially on weekends, please remember to check the calendar on the bulletin board to see if anyone has it reserved so we can keep it ready for their use.

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board to help at Save & Serve on January 10, February 14, and March 14. Save & Serve will begin opening at 9:00am on January 1 instead of 8:30am. They have adjusted the cashier hours as well, so our hours are now from 1-5pm, with the ideal arrival time at 12:45pm.

We recommend that you speak with your tax advisor before year-end to see if there is any tax advantage to paying a portion of your 2017 giving/tithe and/or 2017 building fund contributions on or before December 31, 2016. If it's enacted and if it's effective for 2017, Trump's tax plan could make it harder for you to get a tax benefit from your charitable contributions in 2017. If you do make contributions in 2016 that would normally be made in 2017, please let Yvonne know the amount(s) so she can plan for the reduced contributions in 2017.

Camp Luz is hosting a mother daughter retreat on January 20 & 21. Rhoda Steiner will be the speaker. For more information visit www.campluz.com or pick up a flyer by the bulletin board. Registration deadline is January 16.

Happy Birthday!!

Miriam Miller, Lindsey Mast

Dates to Remember:

- **January 1 – 10:00am worship with no Sunday School
- **January 15 – Remembrance Sunday
- **February 24 – 26 – Dinner Theater
- **March 31 – April 1, 2017 marriage retreat.

SENIORS

****The Seniors will be meeting on the 1st Wednesday of the month for a time of food and fellowship at *Amish Door* at 8:30am. You are welcome to attend, regardless of age.**

YOUTH & POST HIGH

- **December 28 – no church
- **December 31 – New Year's Eve party - food, fun, and fellowship from 7:00pm-12:00am

JR YOUTH

- **December 28 – no church

This Week at LMC

Today

Church reserved

Tuesday

6:30pm Stitch & Share

Saturday

7:00p Youth & Post High New Year's Eve Party

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Ramseyer family, Sam Kuhns, family of Reuben Mast, Youth & Post High Mission Trip

Continued prayers for those with cancer:

Lee Byler, Brittney Host, Freida Mast, Kristin Porter, David Miller, Iva Yoder, Charles Gibbs, Nicole Wheeler

MONGOLIA MISSIONARIES:

Laura Schlabach

FOR THE RECORD Sunday December 18, 2016

Offering: Love Offering:
Let's Grow Together Campaign:
SS Attendance: Attendance:
Church cancelled due to the weather

NURSERY SCHEDULE

Sunday School: No Sunday School
Worship: Lisa Miller, Kaprice Mast

The Mission

of Longenecker Mennonite Church is to call individuals to a growing, personal relationship with Jesus Christ by demonstrating His love through everything we do and by providing opportunities for Worship, Nurture, Fellowship and Service.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Worship Service 10:10am

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Welcome to Longenecker Mennonite Church



December 25, 2016

Worship 9:00 am

Prelude: Ernie Raber & Monica Raber

Welcome: Les Shoup

**Praising God in Song
Offering**

Praising God in Song

**Special Music – Krystal Hewitt, Kaprice
Mast, & Monica Raber**

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Prayer

Greeting

Singing by Primary Children

Children's Story & Candle lighting

Scripture: Luke 2:8-20

Message: "A Shepherd's Story"

Mervin Kurtz

Closing Song

Benediction