

# NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Child Dedication:** We are excited to have child dedication for Jocelyn Kay Hewitt this morning. Jocelyn was born September 25, 2017 and is the child of Bryce and Krystal Hewitt and has a big brother, CJ. Please remember Bryce and Krystal in your prayers as they continue to raise Jocelyn.

**Christmas Program:** Be sure to join us for the Christmas program tonight at 6:30pm. We will be having a live nativity scene. Following the program everyone is invited to stay to enjoy cookies and fellowship.

**Holiday Services:** There will be a Christmas Eve Service on December 24 at 6:00pm. No Wednesday evening services on December 26. On January 2 only the youth/young adults will be meeting.

**Candy:** Lorene Hershberger will have some of her delicious candy for sale in the gathering area after the service today and next Sunday.

**Quiz Team:** We're looking to get a Bible quiz team together! Bible quizzing is a fun way to learn God's Word, build friendships and have friendly competition with other teams from Wayne county area churches. It's for anyone 5th grade through age 20. Meets will be held at Sonnenberg Mennonite each Sunday afternoon for January and February, with local tournaments and invitationals in the first half of March. We typically have practice one evening each week plus Sundays after church. This year, we're studying the book of Matthew. If you have any interest or questions, you can talk to Monica Miller or Michelle Raber.

**Bingo:** A fun night of fellowship and bingo for the whole family is being planned for Friday evening, February 8. We will be having a white elephant exchange, bring something from home that you don't want or need, it can be something nice or something fun. If you don't have anything, you can purchase something for \$10 or less. Everyone in your family that would like to play bingo should bring a wrapped gift, all

ages are welcome to play. Any questions talk to Mervin or Mary, Al or Emma, or Merlin or Rhoda. More details later.

**Ministry Opportunity:** Paula Dodd, a Winesburg resident, had emergency surgery Thursday evening after suffering from severe pain, numbness and weakness in her legs for weeks. The surgeons removed broken hardware, from a previous spinal fusion, straightened her spine and added new rods and pins to stabilize her back. Her spinal cord looks clear but they need to wait to see if her mobility has improved. Several of us will be getting items together for them and possibly a meal. If anyone would like to donate anything which can be money (for gift cards for food or gas) or food items, talk to Rhoda Gingerich or Mary Kurtz by Tuesday. We will be delivering it soon.

**Save & Serve:** Please sign up on the bulletin board to volunteer at Save & Serve January 2, February 6, and March 6 from 1-5pm.

## Love INC Announcements:

1. Love INC is looking for a new location for their offices. If anyone is aware of any available options, let them know.
2. Budget Coaches needed. Training January 7 from 6-8pm.
3. Fresh Start Classes: A Marriage class and Goal-Setting class beginning in January and Faith & Finance begins on February 4. See the bulletin board for more details.
4. Project Volunteers Needed for a few families: install a handrail, re-do a bathroom floor and install a new toilet, bathtub and sink (materials were all provided by Operation Round-up!) and a project of putting metal sheets on an existing roof. Please let us know if you, or anyone else you know might be able to help in one or more of these projects.

## Central Christian Announcements:

--The High School choirs and instrumental groups Christmas program on Tuesday, Dec. 18 at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center. CCS alumni are invited to join the orchestra for the annual playing of the Sleigh Ride.  
--Alumni Night on December 21: Baseball fundraiser meal from 5:00-7:00 pm. Basketball games at 6:00 and 7:30 pm. All alumni get in free and are eligible for prize drawings. See [www.ccscomets.org](http://www.ccscomets.org) for more information on each event.

## Happy Birthday!!

Helen Schlabach, Mose Erb, Ernie Raber, Dean Yoder, Shane Kurtz, Vicki Yoder, Mary Kurtz

## Happy Anniversary!!

Dave & Sharol Schluep, Mose & Naomi Erb

## Dates to Remember:

December 16 - Christmas Program at 6:30pm  
December 24 - Christmas Eve service at 6:00pm  
December 26 - No Services  
January 2 - No Services, except for the youth/young adults  
January 4-6 - Pastor & Elder retreat  
January 9 - Family Night activities resume for all ages  
January 13 - Baptism & Membership Sunday & carry-in meal  
January 20 - Communion  
February 3 - Remembrance Sunday  
February 8 - Bingo Night for the whole family  
March 1,2,3 - Dinner Theater

## SENIORS

Seniors meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at *Amish Door* at 8:30am for a time of fellowship. All ages are welcome. *There will be no breakfast in January, however we will resume in February.*

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Monthly Activities:** We would like to start having monthly women's activities again, beginning in January. Please sign up on the bulletin board to host an event. There are some ideas listed, but feel free to come up with your own ideas. Any questions talk to Sheila Shoup or Rhoda Gingerich.

## YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

\*\*December 16 - Christmas Program  
\*\*December 19 - Bible Study  
\*\*December 26 - No Service  
\*\*January 2 - Bible Study  
\*\*January 9 - Bible Study  
\*\*January 12 - Skymax - meet at the church at 4:00pm

## JR YOUTH

\*\*January 18 - lock in. 7:00pm - 7:00am. Everyone is welcome to bring a friend and \$5 to help pay for pizza.

## This Week at the LEAF

### Today:

6:30pm Christmas Program

### Wednesday:

5:45-6:15pm Supper

6:30pm Family night activities for all ages.  
Men's and Womens Bible Study  
Youth/Post High Fun Night  
Jr Youth and Primary department activities

8:00pm Worship Team Practice

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

Freida Raber, family of Mary Miller (Selah Steiner's grandmother), Paula Dodd

Continued prayers for those with cancer:

Sam Kuhns, Martin Yoder, Jeanie Gatti, Nicole Wheeler, Janice Troyer, Atlee Mast & wife, Janet Swisher, Rick Yoder, Peg Kuhns, Chris Miller

### MONGOLIA MISSIONARIES:

Laura Schlabach

Pray for Laura to have an extra dose of wisdom, strength, and creativity with year end reports and celebrations.

### NICARAGUA MISSIONARIES:

Valentin & Judith Herrera; Melvin & Paola Mendez & family  
Pray for financial struggles

### HOSPITALITY CENTER:

December – Mary Miller & Jeanie Gatti

### FOR THE RECORD Sunday, December 9, 2018

Offering: \$3,266.00 Love Fund: \$30.00

Let's Thrive Together Campaign: \$860.00

SS Attendance: 82 Attendance: 135

### NURSERY SCHEDULE

Sunday School: Betty Miller, Kristin Raber

Worship: Kristle Weaver, Andrea Hamsher



## The Mission

of LEAF 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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**One Call Now:** 1-877-698-3261

(Call this number to listen to the prayer chain.)

## Welcome to Longenecker Evangelical Anabaptist Fellowship



**December 16, 2018**

**Worship 10:10 am**

**Prelude:** *Monica Miller & Michelle Raber*  
**Candle Lighting:** *Youth*

**Praising God in Song**

**Offering**

**Praising God in Song**

**Child Dedication**

**Sharing Joys & Concerns**

**Prayer**

**Greeting**

**Children's Story**

**Scripture:** *Luke 1:57-80*

**Message:** *"Prepare the Way for the Lord"*

*Matt Hamsher*

**Closing Song**

**Benediction**