

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent: Today is the first Sunday of advent. Our theme this year is "The Gifts of Christmas". Christians have been given some incredible gifts by God. Today we will look at "The Gift of Peace", next week "The Gift of Access", the third week "The Gift of Joy" and the fourth week "The Gift of Love". The scriptures that we will be using are found in Romans 5:1-5.

2020 Calendars: There are a few Spidell calendars on the table by the bulletin board for anyone who would like one.

Christmas Program: We will be having a Christmas program on Sunday evening, December 15, at 6:00pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring cookies or a salty snack for refreshments following the program. Thanks for your help!

Christmas Program Practice: We are excited for the Christmas program this year and will be having 2 practices to get ready for the program. The persons involved in the program include the worship team, students in Delores Raber's Sunday school class, and the Jr Youth Sunday school class. If you or your child is in the program please plan to attend practice on Wednesday evening, December 11, at 6:30pm and Sunday morning, December 15, during Sunday school at 9:00am.

New Members: We will soon be receiving several new members into our congregation. Please talk to Pastor Mervin if you would like to be taken in as a member.

Bible Quizzing: will begin in January, and meets are held on Sunday afternoons through mid-March. Quizzing is a fun way to learn God's Word and build friendships! This year, quizzers will be studying the story of Joseph from the book of Genesis and the book of Esther. Anyone 5th grade through age 20 can quiz, so please contact Monica Miller or Michelle Raber if you are interested or have any questions!

Hospitality Center: Please sign up on the bulletin board to host the hospitality center in December. Duties include being at the church by 8:15am to get the coffee ready & keep it going, then to clean up the kitchen and hospitality center following the service. See the flyer on the bulletin board for a complete list of duties.

Share-A-Christmas Program: "Simply Jesus" a musical celebration of Christ's birth, will be held on Sunday, December 1st, at 5:00pm at Martins Creek Mennonite Church. A free will offering will be received and all proceeds will benefit the Holmes County Share-A-Christmas program.

Medicare and Social Security Workshops: on Thursday, December 5, at the Everence office in Kidron. *Medicare: An overview* is from 5:30-6:45m and will provide information on what's covered, the plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. *Social Security: An overview* is from 7:00-8:15pm and will cover strategies to maximize your benefit, the best time to begin taking Social Security and more. Reservations are not required.

Job Opportunity: Everence Federal Credit Union has a temporary opening for a Member Services Representative (MSR) in our Kidron branch. Person is responsible for processing deposits, withdrawals, loan payments, and similar cash transactions. Qualifications include good math and basic computer skills. Banking background is helpful but not required.

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Fresh Start: There will be two Christmas themed classes on Monday evenings, December 2, 9, & 16, from 7:00-8:00pm at Martins Creek Mennonite Church. A Holiday Make & Take class and The Nativity Story class. See the flyers on the bulletin board for more information on each class. Call Love INC at 330-473-6017 to register or you can register online at www.loveincoghc.org.

Sonnenberg Station: will be at Berlin Mennonite Church on Sunday, December 15, at 7:00pm for a delightful evening of Christmas music you won't soon forget. Sonnenberg Station is an 18-voice men's choral ensemble based in Kidron, Ohio. This season's Christmas performances will inspire and uplift

with a sprinkling of humor tossed in for good measure as the group adds their own flavor to pieces representing a variety of cultures, eras, and styles. A love offering will be taken at intermission.

"Search for the Christ Child": will be held at Oak Grove Mennonite Church on Sunday, December 8, from 5-7pm. The church is located at 7843 Smucker Road in Smithville. This is a 45 minute, indoor/outdoor walk-through experience of what the first Christmas may have been like. Dress warmly! The church is handicap accessible. Admission is one canned food item or toiletries for People to People Ministries. Everyone is welcome!

Happy Birthday!!

Kyle Schlabach, Al Hershberger, Eldon Hershberger,
Riley Kline, Damaris Miller

Happy Anniversary!!

Mervin & Mary Kurtz

DATES TO REMEMBER

December 11 – Christmas program practice at 6:30pm for those involved in the program.

December 15 – Christmas program practice during Sunday school for those involved in the program.

December 15 – Christmas program at 6:00pm

December 24 – Christmas Eve service at 6:30pm

SENIORS

The seniors will not be meeting for breakfast through the winter months. We will put an announcement in the bulletin when they start meeting again in the spring.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Sewing Project: We will be doing Christmas boxes. Please sign up on the bulletin board to help furnish items for the boxes!

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

December 4 – Bible Study

December 14 – Christmas Banquet at 5:30pm at the church.

HOSPITALITY CENTER: December –

NEW SONG: December – He Shall Reign Forevermore
by Chris Tomlin

NURSERY SCHEDULE: SS: Mary Miller, Anna Mast
Worship: Alice Todaro, Lauren Todaro

This Week at the LEAF

Today: Church Reserved
Tuesday: 6:30pm Board Meeting
Wednesday: 1-5pm Save & Serve
6:30pm Family Night Activities

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Malinda Miller, Allen Miller, Martin Yoder, Pastoral Search

Continued prayers for those with cancer:

Phoebe Killy, Paul Miller, Roy Miller, Jeanie Gatti,
Nicole Wheeler, Janice Troyer, Atlee Mast, Janet
Swisher, Chris Miller, Paula Dodd, Sally Yoder,
Kristen Bietzel

MONGOLIA & NICARAGUA MISSIONARIES:

Laura Schlabach

Valentin & Judith Herrera; Melvin & Paola Mendez & family

FOR THE RECORD Sunday, November 24, 2019

Offering: \$2,802.00 Let's Thrive: \$250.00
Love Fund: \$628.00 Youth: \$80.00
SS Attendance: 86 Attendance: 117



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 1, 2019
Sunday School: 9:00am
Worship 10:10 am

Prelude: *Michelle Raber*

Welcome: *Travis Kurtz*

Advent Candle Lighting: *Merlin & Rhoda Gingerich*

Praising God in Song

Offering

Praising God in Song

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Prayer

Greeting

Scripture: *Romans 5:1-5*

Message: *"The Gift of Peace"*

Mervin Kurtz

Closing Song

Benediction