November **2022**

Annville United Methodist Church Newsletter

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Worship in November and December

Nov. 6

Family Legacies Genesis 17:1-8 and Matthew 1:1-6a

Nov. 13

Life After Trauma 2 Samuel 12:1-13 and Matthew 1:6b-11

Nov. 20

Unexpected Families Ruth 1:1-18 and Matthew 1:12-17 Advent

Nov. 27 Hope

Dec. 4

You Are Loved

Dec. 11

Joy in Tough Times

Dec. 18

Powerful Peace

Special Services

Dec. 4

Hope for the Holidays at 2 p.m.

Dec. 24

Christmas Eve Service

at 7 p.m.

Dec. 25

Christmas Morning Worship at 9 a.m.

Get Connected or Stay in Touch

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Office Hours: Tues. -Thurs. 9 a.m. - noon

Sunday Mornings: 9 a.m. Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School

Communion on the first Sunday each month



Choir

The Choir welcomes new members any time of year to join in praising God through music. We are active from the beginning of Sept. through the middle of June. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Please direct any questions to our organist (and choir director) Mark Sorensen at mas 009@lvc.edu.

We would love to have you!

Faith In Action

During November we will be supporting local families by providing funds for their holiday meals. You can donate money using the provided envelopes on the Information Table or sending your donation to the church. Thank you for helping to meet the hunger needs in our community.



Team Updates

Leadership Team

Each fall we hold a Charge Conference with our District Superintendent that reviews the status of our church's congregation, finances, ministry, mission, and witness. Our Charge Conference, which will be Dec. 3, via Zoom at 10 a.m. You are welcome to come to the church to join the meeting from Hostetter Hall.

Also, the team is looking at a way we can partner with LVC in the new year to connect with the students. Watch for more details!

Staff-Parish Relations Team

We are grateful for the congregation members who have volunteered to help with the church office duties. There are many areas around the church where we need volunteers from our congregation to do the work that makes church happen. Please consider how you can give of your time and talents.

Women's Faith Group

Our Faith Group opens our meeting with the Lord's Prayer as ten women meet every Wednesday morning. We enjoy comradery, read interesting books, and yes, dessert! We care about each other, lift each other up when needed and celebrate joys in our lives. We support our community in partnership with the A-C School District, providing meals for struggling families over the holidays and snacks for the elementary and secondary students.

We wouldn't be able to help the community without help from our congregants, and we thank you. We end our meetings with concerns for members, friends, our church, and the world and end with a prayer. (Our group is at capacity, but we would be happy to talk with anyone looking to start another group.)

Finance Team

Thank you for continuing and even increasing your financial giving to the church.

Jan. 1 - Sept. 30, 2022

Giving & Income

\$119,544.34

Expenses \$126,558.72

Total -\$7,014.38



Kashmeir & Michael Griffith and family

208 Lockshire Road Columbia, SC 29212

Needed Donations

Birthday cards

Anniversary cards

Table (3'x4' or at least 31"x43") to be covered with a tablecloth for displaying one of the model churches



Opportunities

While you're at church, VOLUNTEER!

- **Head Usher** (counts attendance, brings forward offering, collects attendance sheets)
- **Sexton** (unlocks the building & prepares the space for worship by 8am on Sundays and then closes up the building at 11a.m.)
- Nursery & Children's Ministry (all materials provided)
- Communion Team (prepares the communion elements each month and clean up after the service)



- Altar Guild (prepares the sanctuary for worship, changes paraments color on the pulpit & altar, changes flower arrangement, checks candles, checks pews)
- Scripture Reader
- Greeter

AUMC Family Updates

From Kashmeir & Michael Griffith: We bought our first house on 8-1-22 and moved to Columbia, South Carolina! Our phone numbers are the same, but many of my (Kashmeir's) contacts were lost when transferring to a new phone. We are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers.

Earl Light: Earl's daughter, Gail, shared that Earl is always delighted to find mail from the church when he walks to the mailbox. Your prayers and continued outreach is truly a blessing in his life.

Updated Directories are coming soon!

Church is not an organization you join; it is a family where you belong, a home where you are loved and a hospital where you find healing.

Nicky Gumbel



Christmas Carol Survey

What are your favorite Christmas Carols?

Complete the survey (found on the Information Table at the church) and return it to church by Nov. 16. You can also email or call the church with your three favorite carols.

Upcoming Events

Changing of the Seasons Celebration: We will decorate the church for the Christmas season and then share in a Holiday Potluck on Sunday Nov. 20th.

All Saints Sunday: During worship on Sunday Nov. 6th, we remember the lives and deaths of the saints who have impacted our lives.

Veterans Day: During worship on Sunday Nov. 11th, we remember those who have served in our Armed Forces and those who have loved them. Join us as we honor our Veterans and their families.

Holiday Craft Show: The annual craft show at Annville-Cleona High School will be on Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. with a \$1 admission donation.

Free Financial Workshop: Learn more about managing your savings, expenses, and credit as you create healthy financial habits. Join us on Sunday Nov. 13 at 2 p.m. in Hostetter Hall at the church.

Interfaith Dialogue at LVC: Nov. 15 at 11 a.m. on "Religion & the Religious Other" in the Miller Chapel Lobby at LVC. Panelists for the Interfaith Dialogue, now in its tenth year, will share their views as members of diverse religious, secular, and spiritual identity groups, including Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, and Atheism. After panelists provide initial responses, the topic will be opened up to all participants for comment and question. A light pizza lunch will accompany the discussion, scheduled to last approximately one hour. The dialogues at Lebanon Valley College are free and open to the public.

Benefit Dinner & Silent Auction for Lebanon County Christian Ministries: Thursday, Nov. 17, 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Lebanon Area Evangelical Free Church. Tickets available through 11/10 at www.LCCM.us or (717) 272-4400 ext. 240.

Changing of the Seasons Celebration: We will decorate the church for the Christmas season and then share in a Holiday Potluck on Sunday Nov. 20th. (This is our Hanging of the Greens this year!) Sign up to let us know roughly how many to expect!

Advent: Volunteers needed to light the Advent Wreath during worship and read a brief devotion and prayer. Sign up for one of these dates: Nov. 27, Dec. 4, Dec. 11, Dec. 18, Dec. 24

Christmas Stockings

On Sunday, Nov. 6th we will have the Christmas stockings ready for you to take home after church. Since 1951, these stockings have been given as evidence of the love and concern of Christian churches for our older population in local care facilities in Lebanon County.

Karen Neidigh has sewn the stockings and we have a goal of 16 stockings for Countryside Christian Community. The instructions for items to put in the stocking will be on a sheet in the stocking. A card saying it is from our church members is also included,. You can put your name and phone number on the back of the card if you would like so that the person receiving the stocking can call to thank you and to make a connection with you.

The deadline for returning the stockings to the church is Sunday Dec. 4. The boxes for you to put the filled stockings in will be available every Sunday in the Narthex. Thank you so much for helping!



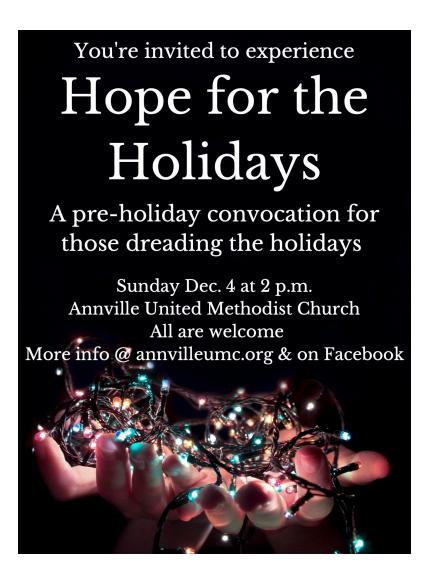
Poinsettias Available

Red and white poinsettias are available to purchase to decorate our sanctuary. You may designate these in memory or honor of loved ones. You may also sponsor a poinsettia that will then be delivered to one of our local shut-ins or senior living communities.

The flowers will have 5+ blooms in a 6.5" pot for \$11. Checks should be made payable to Annville UMC. To reserve your poinsettia please contact the church office or complete the memory/honor form located in the narthex and place in the envelope marked "Poinsetta Order" along with your payment.

Deadline for orders is November 20th.





Improve Your Finances



November 13 at 2 p.m. Financial Foundations: Your Blueprint to Thrive

Develop healthy financial habits
Learn about managing your savings, expenses, and credit

Q&A time included
Light refreshments provided
Enter at the back of Annville United Methodist Church
More Details at www.AnnvilleUMC.org







New Connectional Ministry Making our community stronger by connecting with Jesus and one another.

Our Leadership Team has agreed that we have an opportunity to impact our community by reaching out and making connections with those who are struggling with loneliness. As we begin the holiday season, this is a perfect time to send a card or a note to someone you know and haven't seen in awhile, as well as to someone you don't know. When we receive mail that is from a person (instead of a bill or junk), we feel valued and visible. Many around us are struggling with how few human interactions they have in a day, week, and month. That's where we come in!

We are in the process of making a list of people you can reach out to let them know that they are valued and loved by our amazing God. For those of you who love talking on the phone, or over coffee, we will have opportunities for you as well. We can be the voice of Jesus reminding people that they are loved and not forgotten.

If you have an abundance of cards at home, you can bring them to the church office to share with others who want to get connected.

More updates will be shared in our weekly bulletins. To get involved or learn more, contact Pastor Heather.

You can begin this ministry on your own by calling or writing one person from our church or your family each week, starting with a veteran.







November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		Girl Scouts 5:30 p.m. SPRC 7 p.m.	Choir 7:30 p.m.			
		Lonnie Pellegrini		Jim Sweigert, Sr.		Jim Sweigert, Jr.
6 All Saints Communion	7	8 Girl Scouts 5:30 p.m.	9 Trustees 6:30 p.m.	10	11	12
Daylight Savings Time Ends		Election Day	Chou 7.30 p.m.		Veterans Day	
Emily Pappalardo		Ann Young				
13 Honoring Veterans	14	15 Girl Scouts 5:30 p.m.	16 Choir 7:30 p.m.	17	18	19
Financial Workshop 2 p.m.						
•	Elma Jean Kreider				Karyn Rose	Carolyn & Steve Richards
20 Changing of the Seasons Celebration w/Potluck	21	22 Girl Scouts 5:30 p.m.	23 Choir 7:30 p.m.	24	25	26
				Thanksgiving		
		Tyler Konan	Sandy Fox		Grace Lahr	Larry Tonzi
27 Advent Begins	28 Leadership 6:30 p.m.	29 Girl Scouts 5:30 p.m.	30 Choir 7:30 p.m.			
Mary Ellen Ford	Kathy & Mike Eschenfelder					