

INFORMAL WORSHIP SERVICE

December 9, 2018

*Worship Songs
(Advent Wreath)
"Fear Not – Mary!"
Closing Song*

Next Sunday's Breakfast Leader: Judy Bird
 Today's Greeters 8:00 a.m. ~ Brian & Teresa Black
 Today's Greeters 10:30 a.m. ~ Dale Deem, Scott Gilmore
 Today's Ushers 8:00 a.m. ~ Brian Black, Keith Hoover, Ben Short
 Next Sunday's Greeters 8:00 a.m. ~ Jason Huston, Audrey Sechler
 Next Sunday's Greeters 10:30 a.m. ~ Roger & Carol Floor
 Next Sunday's Ushers 8:00 a.m. ~ Jason & Keegan Huston, Elijah Sechler

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Handchimers..... "Away in the Manger"
 Opening Prayer.....Pastor Luke
 *Hymn #136..... "The First Noel"
 Advent Wreath.....
 Senior Choir..... "Prepare the Way"
 Praise & Prayer.....Pastor Tom
 Offering..... Ian Dively
 Offertory Prayer.....Pastor Tom
 Message..... "Fear Not – Mary!"..... Pastor Tom
 *Hymn #141..... "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
 Benediction.....Pastor Tom
 Postlude..... Ian Dively
 *Please stand if able

WMS COOKBOOKS FOR SALE! It's hard to believe, but Christmas is approaching fast. Do you need an exchange gift for a friend...how about a **WMS Cookbook!** Contact any WMS member or the church office!

CONGRATULATIONS to Cory Will and Kaitlyn Hittie on the birth of their son Gabriel John born December 3, 2018 weighing 8 lbs. 15 ounces and 21 inches long.

Congratulations to grandparents John & Connie Will!



CHRISTMAS



**** CANCELLED!! The Nursery/Primary Sunday School Department Christmas Party/Practice for Saturday, December 15th HAS BEEN CANCELLED!**

***SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM** will be held Sunday, December 16th at 9:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary.

***CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE** will be Tuesday, December 24th at 7 p.m.

THE BERLIN COMMUNITY CHURCHES INVITES YOU TO.....

**WALK
THROUGH
BETHLEHEM**

THIS EVENING from 6pm-8pm

Location: Berlin Borough Building, 700 North St., Berlin

Live Animals

Refreshments

Angel Choir

CREATIVE ARTS & STICK MINISTRY

Samantha Smith and Leah Spowls felt a calling to start a Creative Arts & Stick Ministry in the Berlin Brethren Church. This ministry got its name from the word Charisma that means God-given divine gifts and talents. Our ministry is centered around the scripture verse from 1 Peter 4:10 NIV "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." We invite you to share in our calling and passion to serve the Lord and worship Him in through various forms, such as stick dramas and sign language performances. **This ministry is for boys & girls 5th – 12th grade.** For more information please see Leah or Samantha.

MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES

- **HANDCHIMERS** will practice **TODAY** at **8:35 a.m.!**
- **JUNIOR BELLS** will practice **TODAY** at **9:00 am.!**
- **CHOIR PRACTICE**~Wednesday evening from **7:20 – 8:00.**
- **ADULT BELLS** will practice Wednesday evening: *Early* group **6:30** and *Late* group **8:10.**
- **MEN’S MINISTRY** will meet Saturday, December 15th, at **7 a.m.** at the Dairy Bar Restaurant.
- **NIGHT OF WORSHIP** will be held Thursday, December 20th at **6:30 p.m.** in the church sanctuary.

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DECEMBER HOSPITALITY MEAL will be **MONDAY, DECEMBER 31st!!** Menu has been posted on the Information Bulletin Board. **DONATIONS** needed!



The Berlin Food Pantry is looking for donations of toys, gifts for teenagers, family items, Christmas décor, and monetary donations. All donations may be dropped off at the Berlin Food Pantry on Wednesday morning from 9 – 11. Monetary donations can be placed directly at Somerset Trust Bank (Berlin Office) ATTENTION: **“Santa’s Workshop”**.

JANUARY 2019 MOLDOVA MISSION TRIP

The trip **dates** are **January 4-13, 2019.** This will be more of an Adult Ministry Team that will be working in a Soup Kitchen and delivering meals and coats to those in need. They will be: Judy Bird, Joslyn Bird, Miranda Black, Patty Durrence, Tina Pritts and Marissa Vance.

The team is asking for prayer and financial support.



American Red Cross Berlin Community Blood Drive ~ **TOMORROW**, December 10th, from 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Veteran’s Home Association of Berlin (419 Meadow Street, Berlin, PA)

****CHECK OUT OUR COMMUNITY EVENTS BULLETIN BOARD!**

(It is located *on* our Information Bulletin Board.)



Pastor Tom Sprowls, Jr.
Youth Pastor Luke Dowdy

December 9, 2018

Church office hours: Monday – Thursday 8 AM-3PM
Office # 267-3863 ~ email ~ berlinbrethren@comcast.net
Website ~ berlinbrethren.com

Please Remember: The Sunday morning Messages can be found and listened to online.

INFORMAL WORSHIP	8:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:30 AM
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP	10:30 AM

NURSERY ~ (ages: infant – 2 ½ yrs.) is staffed for our **8 a.m. service.** *Nursery is located on the second floor.

Today’s Nursery Attendant: No staffed Nursery today.

***If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact Christine Wilson at 233-0959 or the church office at 267-3863.*



KID’S KORNER TODAY!

(Kid’s Korner is for children ages 2 ½ to 5 and is held in the church basement.)

Today’s Leaders is: Jason Huston

Next week’s leader is: Amanda Dowdy

KID’S KORNER VOLUNTEERS are needed! If you could help, please sign the sheet posted on the Information Bulletin Board.



Prayer request cards are in the pew rack or on the Information Table. If you have a prayer concern, please fill out and place in the “Golden Bowl”.

PRAYER CONCERN LIST

Name	Request/Concern	Progress/Answer
Jim Albright ~ friend of Stan & Robin Landis	Health problems	Home! Prayers for strength & healing
*Lowell Alwine ~ father of Louise Hillegass	Lung Cancer ~ stage 4	Weaker ~ depression
*Vernon Bowman ~ brother-in-law of Mildred Deem	Hip surgery	Nursing Home for rehabilitation ~ prayers for healing
Tom Bush ~ Joan Menhorn's brother	Acute Myeloid Leukemia Stem	Chemo shots ~ prayers for weight gain and strength
Mary Ann & Carl Cotter	Prayers for continued healing and strength	Home!
Mildred Deem	Bone cancer	Cancer treatment
Frank DeMento ~ friend of Pat & Judy Krupper	Brain tumor ~ stage 4	He is not doing well. Continued prayers!
*Ron Donaldson ~ Candace (Croner) Donaldson's father-in-law	Had Surgery on the outside of the ankle	Prayers for swelling to decrease to complete second surgery
Amy & Randy Dwire	Cancer	Chemotherapy
Darlene Eicher ~ Aunt of Amie Philip	Breast cancer	Began chemotherapy
Jim & Suzanne Etris	Suzanne ~ chemo & Jim ~ dialysis	Prayers for strength and healing
Megan Fochtman	Colon issues	
Lisa Frye ~ friend of Jean Stoddard	Huntington's Disease	Losing her eye sight ~ prayers for coping
*Grayson Gumbert ~ 2 yr. old	Heptoblastoma	Children Hospital ~ Prayers! Chemotherapy
Rita Hardesty	Cancer	
Marge Hauger ~ requested by Mary Margaret Werner	Renal cancer has returned	
Robee Hay ~ nephew of Jane Maust	Stage 4 colon cancer	Chemotherapy ~needs prayers
Darlene Hickman	Knee replacement 11/6/18	Therapy ~ prayers for strength & healing
Joyce Ringler Hoffman	Breast Cancer	Undergoing treatment
Helen Hoyman	Health related issues	Prayers
Mary Kelly ~ friend of Christine Wilson	Anticlastic thyroid cancer	Had tracheotomy on 11/14/18 & will then have radiation & chemo
Ellis Kimmel	Infection in leg	Doing better but under Dr. care
Jim Kimmel	Back surgery 11/26/18	Home and doing well ~ prayers for strength & healing
*Dorie Lambert	Fell and broke pelvis	Home~continued prayers
Alana Letezia ~ friend of Judy Krupper	Breast Cancer ~ stage 2	Double Mastectomy scheduled for December

Tom Maust ~ Charlene Murray's brother	Health concerns due to stem cell transplant	Continued prayers
Shelva Miller	Bone cancer	No treatment now
Sharon Nakich	Cancer	Chemotherapy
*Jeremy Ohler	Brain tumor has enlarged & infection in spinal fluid	Hospice Care at home ~ paralyzed on one side ~ continued prayers
Jim Peck ~ Jason Peck's father	Severe burns ~ both legs amputated	Therapy
Donna Pyle ~ 83 yr. old mother of Dixie Kelly	Slipped disc pushing into spinal cord	Pray for comfort and pain management
*Mike & Renee Raupach & family	Passing of Mikie Raupach	
*Mary Sarver	Health/breathing issues	Somerset Hospital Rm 397-A
Trudy Saylor ~ wife of Mike Saylor (co-worker of Dan Ogline)	Ovarian cancer	Chemotherapy
Donna Shaw ~ Annie Ringler's sister	Severe pain in her leg	Injections in her back to reduce swelling
Fred Shepler	Cancer	
Ernie Smith	Esophagus cancer	Began chemo 9/11/18
Joyce Taylor	Leukemia	
Gail Wade	Cancer FREE!!	Thank you for prayers
*Ken Werner ~ 88 yr. old friend of Judy Cook	Fell ~ broken vertebrae in his back ~ cemented vertebrae and inserted stents and repaired mitral valve	Hospital~Prayers for healing

OUR MILITARY

Dan Armstong	Becca Drake	Brody Moore
Brandon Baer	Casey Gindlesperger	Steve Spear
Jeremy Scott Baker	Jared Harschberger	Mark Stewart
Joey Bonus	Charlie Hersch	Joel Sprowls
Cruz Boyer	Mike Hutchinson	Gavin Stockwell
Mike Bowers	Mason Jamieson	Justin Streng
Luke Clark	Jana Glotfelty Kuh	Jeremy Thomas
Shawn Cochran	Tyler Landis	Dan VonSchimpf
Kyle Cooner	Alex Leer	Josh Walters
Joshua Crissy	Bethany Leer	Mike Warren
Matt Custer	Michael Manges	Paul Will
Tuck Cotter	Storm McDonald	Bethanie Wilson

