

Please add to the Birthday Card List: Helen Johnson – July 29

### ADVENT EVENTS

Sun, Nov 27 – Advent Communion

Sun, Dec 4 – Hanging of the Greens Following Worship, ending with a potluck supper

Christmas in the Grove – lighting of the Tree and a reading of the Christmas story

Sun, Dec 11 – Children and Youth Pageant

Caroling – gather at 4:00 to make decorations and Pizza and then caroling to some of our Special Care and concern members

Sat, Dec 24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 7:30

Sun, Dec 25 – Christmas Morning Worship 10:30

Peace Pantry is collecting small gift items for the residents at Colonial Lodge, suggestions may be tissues, stationery, candy, snacks, socks, jewelry or any personal items. These items will be wrapped at the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, December 4.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Beatrice Stauffer

Jean Youndt

John Smith

Stuart Mohn

Jim Fitterling

Bill Spangler

Marty Binns

Betty Kilakis

Karen Smith

### COMING EVENTS

Sun, Nov 20 – Pot Luck Dinner and Help preparing the props for Christmas Pageant – come join the fun at 5:00 pm.

Weds, Nov 23 – Thanksgiving Eve Service at St. Paul's Adamstown, Rev. Paul Smeltz preaching – 7:30 - No Bible Study

Wed, Nov 30 – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00

Thurs, Dec 1 – Bible Study – 7:00

Tues, Dec 6 – Colonial Lodge Christmas party – 6:30

Tues, Dec 13 – Spiritual Council – 6:30

Church Council – 7:00

Christmas Poinsettias can be purchased on Sunday mornings, November 27<sup>th</sup>, December 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$6.00 for a 5 bloom plant. The flowers will be in the church sanctuary for Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> and the Christmas Eve Service on Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>. The poinsettias should be taken home from the Christmas Eve Service.

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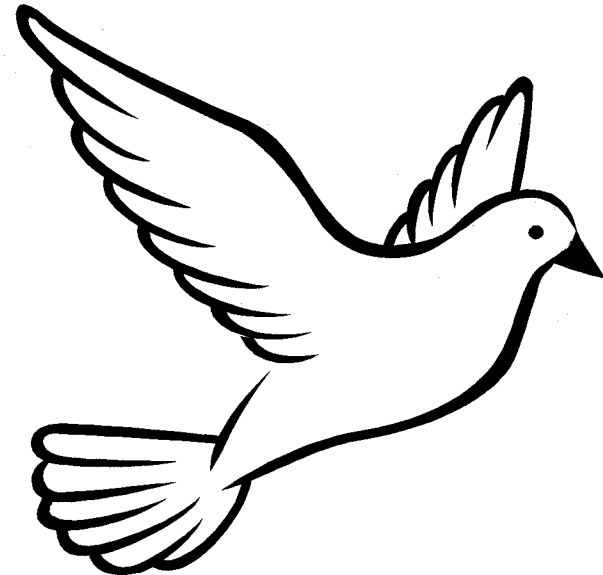
# PEACE

*United Church of Christ*

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*Denver, Pennsylvania*

*To all who are weary and need rest; to all who are lonely and need fellowship; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who pray and to all who do not but ought; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will come – this church opens wide the door and says in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
WELCOME!*



November 20, 2011  
Thanksgiving Sunday

**Thought Before Worship**

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them. ~JF Kennedy

Gold Hymnal

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PRELUDE "Grace and Thanksgiving" Bell Choir

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Let the trumpet blast! Let the ram's horn sound!

**People: Christ is the King over all!**

Leader: Let the earth shout and the heavens declare:

**People: Christ is the King over all.**

Leader: Let the mountains and rivers and seas proclaim:

**People: Christ is the King over all.**

Leader: Let the angels announce the news:

**People: Christ is the King over all.**

Leader: As we worship in the name of the Father, Son and Holy spirit, Let the people of God join the everlasting refrain:

**People: Christ the King reigns over all! AMEN**

**\*HYMN**

**"Come Ye Thankful People, Come".....no. 392**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**+PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Wondrous and generous God, you have blessed us with gentle rains, glorious sunsets and sun-warmed days. You bless us with loving families, kind friends and a caring church. We cannot earn nor do we deserve such generosity, but we graciously open our hearts and hands to receive. Help us receive these gifts with thankfulness and humility.**

**Forgive us when we are hardhearted and tight-handed, when we don't let your goodness flow through us, when we hide our talents and turn away from the needs of the world. Release us, Holy One, from fear, and create a contagious spirit of giving that touches the world with hope. AMEN.**

**+SILENT PRAYER**

*(please use this time to confess your personal sins)*

**+KYRIE**

**+ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader- In Christ we have been forgiven so that we might live in Christ's Kingdom of light and love.

**People- Let us live this Good News for in Christ we have been redeemed. AMEN**

**\*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 142**

YOUTH CHOIR

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Ephesians 1:15-23 pg. 949

CHOIR ANTHEM "I Will give Thanks"

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:31-46 pg. 807

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

**\*THE CREED.....inside hymnal front cover**

**\*HYMN "Faith of our Fathers".....no. 526**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

**\*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 382**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

**\*HYMN "Let All Things Now Living".....no. 389**

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE

(those who are able please \*- stand, +-kneel)

Church website.....www.peaceunitedchurch.org

Pastor (pastor@peaceunitedchurch.org)... William E. Hoch (335.0387)

Organist.....Mrs. Virginia Tobias

Assistant Organist.....Mrs. Lois Haldeman

Secretary (secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org).....Ms. Olivia Moyer

Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers..... Shirley Kring & Linda Coventry

Acolyte.....Allyson Butz

Greeters.....Ardel Garner and Jean Trostle

Head Usher.....Bev Madera

Attendance for Nov 6.....120

Offering for Nov 6.....\$4,399.54

Month to Date Offering.....\$8,775.54

Amount needed each month to meet budget.....\$15,284.00

The Altar Flowers are given in memory of loved ones by Jean Trostle.

The Altar Bouquet is given in celebration of Bobbie Porter-Kunkel's birthday by her husband.