

**REMINDER** – Coffee Hours are scheduled for Jan 20 and Feb 24. If you are interested in organizing or helping, please sign up on the secretary's window as soon as possible.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Dawn Gehman	Jeff Moyer	Rich Fisher
Hunter Leisey	Royce McCrabb	Art Hollinger
Shannon Brown	Felicia Knowleton family	

**COMING EVENTS**

Weds, Jan 2 – Choir Rehearsal – 7:00  
Sat, Jan 5 – Memorial Spaghetti Supper for Abigail Butz. 4:30-6:30  
Sun, Jan 6 – Communion served and installation of new council members  
Tues, Jan 8 – Spiritual Council – 6:30  
                  Church Council – 7:00  
Sun, Jan 13 – Children's Ministry – 8:00  
Suns, Jan 13 & 20 – Pastor Bill will be out of town, the pulpit will be filled by Mark Johnson.

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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!***



December 30, 2012  
First Sunday After Christmas

It came without ribbons! It came without tags! It came without packages, boxes or bags!". Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before! "Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas... perhaps... means a little bit more!"

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "He Is Born the Holy Child"

**LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

Leader- The song of the angels has been stilled, the star in the sky is gone, the kings and princes have returned to their homes, and the shepherds are back with their flocks. Now the work of Christmas begins:

**People- to find the lost, to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among the people and to make music in the heart.**

Leader- Now is the time to worship! We worship together in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

\*HYMN "O Come, All Ye Faithful".....no. 193

CALL TO CONFESSION

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, your love and power transform death into life, despair into hope, lifeless stumps into tender shoots and a tiny baby into the Prince of Peace. We come before you confessing that we have fallen short of your glory and your call upon our lives. In the hearing of your Word and in the repenting of our sins, transform the hardness of our hearts into lives of mercy and receptivity. Strengthen us in your Spirit that we might follow the One, the child, who came to baptize us with the Holy Spirit and fire, Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN.**

+SILENT PRAYER (please use this time to confess your own personal sin)

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader- The child of Bethlehem has been born. He is the Messiah and by His grace we are all forgiven!

**People- He is the prince of peace and by His grace we are made whole and we are made new again! AMEN!**

\*GLORIA PATRI.....no. 338

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT Colossians 3:12-17 pg. 958

CHOIR ANTHEM "There's A New Song Ringing"

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2:41-52 pg. 833

MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

\*HYMN "Good Christian Men Rejoice".....no. 177

OFFERING/OFFERTORY "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"

\*OFFERING RESPONSE/THE DOXOLOGY.....no. 356

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

BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

\*HYMN "Go Tell It on a Mountain".....no. 205

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

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

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Treasurer.....Mr. Michael Madara

Altar Guild Workers.....Edie Graff and Dixie Schweitzer

Acolyte.....TBD

Greeters.....Polly Moser

Head Usher.....Jim Moser

Attendance of Dec 23.....129

Attendance of Dec 24.....266

Offering for Dec 23.....\$5,569.00

Offering for Dec 24.....\$1,666.50

Month to date offering.....\$18,993.50

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

The altar flowers are given in honor of our military men and women by Steve and Becky Priga