

Thought Before Worship-

*“Truly He taught us to love one another;
His law is Love and His gospel is Peace;
Chains shall he break, for the slave is our brother,
And in his name all oppression shall cease,
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful Chorus raise we;
Let all within us praise his Holy name!”*

“O Holy Night”, verse 3

Gold Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *“What Child Is This Medley”*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Born in our hearts!

P: Transforming our lives!

L: He is God with us!

P: Emmanuel!

***HYMN “Joy to the World”no. 171**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

“Peace on earth and mercy mild,

God and sinners reconciled,” we sing at Christmas.

*Today, it becomes our prayer. God, we yearn for reconciliation
with you and with one another. At the close of another year,
transform our hearts that we may boldly love, boldly forgive,
boldly be forgiven. In the name of the Child of Bethlehem, we
pray. AMEN*

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

+KYRIE

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: God’s gift in Christ reveals love and grace!

P: Good tidings to be shared this day! Amen

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

YOUNG PEOPLE’S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 3: 12-17 pg. 958

CHOIR ANTHEM *“Songs of the Star”*

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 2: 41-52 pg. 833

MESSAGE

OUR PRAYERS FOR THE NEW YEAR

PASTORAL PRAYER

***HYMN “I Wonder As I Wander”.....no. 183**

OFFERING/OFFERTORY *“Lo, How A Rose E’er Blooming”*

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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND LORD’S PRAYER**

***HYMN “Go, Tell It on the Mountain”.....no. 205**

***BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”**

*O come, Desire of nations, bind
all peoples in one heart and mind;
bid envy, strife and quarrels cease;
fill the whole world with heaven’s peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

CHIMES, QUIET MEDITATION (Congregation seated)

POSTLUDE *“Sussex Carol”*

(L- Leader; **P- People.** Those who are able please *- stand, +-kneel)

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The Altar flowers are placed in memory of loved ones by Dixie Schweitzer.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Rev. Dennis Trout

Scott Leshar

Mildred Krick

Leslie Berkheimer Wagner

Robert Keppley

Claude Adair

Susan Carl Donivan & family

The **prayer list** in the bulletin will be renewed on the first Sunday of the month. If you would like someone to continue on the list into the next month, please share that with the church office via phone or email. People placed on the list on later (3rd/4th) Sundays will be included in the next month's list. Please be sure to ask permission before placing someone on the list. Thank you, Pastor Betsy

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, January 2 - Health and Welfare - 10:00 am

Thursday, January 3 - Profile Committee - 7:00 pm

Monday, January 7 - Stitch & Chat - 9:00 am

Bell Choir - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 8 - Council Meetings - 6:30 and 7:00 pm

Thursday, January 10 - Children's Ministry - 10:00 am

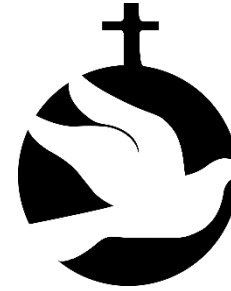
Saturday, January 12 - Abigail Butz Memorial Spaghetti Dinner
- 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Monday, January 14 - Marketing - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 15 - Bible/Book Study - 1:00 and 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 19 - Youth Mystery Dinner - 5:00 pm

Unhanging of the Greens will be held after worship on Sunday, January 13.
Please plan to stay and help!



Peace United Church of Christ

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, 2018
First Sunday After Christmas