

Next Sunday morning the Laraia family will light the Advent wreath, Sarah Miller will offer special music on her violin, and Pastor Lynch will speak on how “Good Things Come in Small Packages.” Items may be brought for the Caring Cupboard wagon.

Next Sunday evening we will enjoy a church family Christmas Party at 6:30 in the Social Hall. Those who wish are invited to dust off the saxophone or trumpet, tune up the voice and share your talent. There is a sign up sheet on the information table. Refreshments will be served. The evening concludes with a carol sing. Please bring a gift for the Caring Cupboard and place it at the manger in honor of the Christ Child. ~ Selma Patrick

Sub and pretzel sandwich orders need be made by this Wednesday December 10. Pick up is Thursday December 18. Proceeds benefit Bethany church.

Christmas Cards for our homebound: A list of names and addresses of our homebound Bethany members and friends is available on the information table. Please remember these dear persons in your prayers and sending of Christmas cards.

The mitten tree awaits your decorations of knit hats, scarves, gloves and mittens. Items will be donated to the Hershey Ronald McDonald House for distribution to those in need. Next Sunday December 14 is the final day to decorate the mitten tree! ~ Sandy Pillsbury

A Live Nativity will be held outside the Ono United Methodist Church Friday and Saturday, December 12, 13 and 19, 20 from 6-8 PM.

Christmas Eve Choir: Chancel Choir Members, and anyone who loves to sing, are invited to practice on Sunday December 14 and 21 at 10:10 in the chapel. The group will sing on Christmas Eve at 7:00 worship. ~ Helen Lutz

Attendance last Sunday:	72	Offering Last Sunday:	\$ 2,017.25
Attendance last year:	78	Offering Needed Weekly:	\$ 1,500.00
		Other Weekly Income:	\$ 20.00

SERVING CHRIST AND OUR CONGREGATION

ORGANIST: <i>Helen Lutz</i>	LAY LEADER: <i>Steve Scipioni</i>
ASST. ORGANIST: <i>Audrey Scipioni</i>	SUNBEAM CHOIR: <i>Bethany Oleyniczak</i>
NURSERY CARE: <i>Vicki Smith</i>	ADMIN. COUNCIL: <i>Cindy Anspach</i>
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: <i>Selma Patrick</i>	CHURCH SECRETARY: <i>Karen Neidigh</i>
TRUSTEE CHAIR: <i>Don Brubaker</i>	CUSTODIAN: <i>Beverly Bell</i>
SUPERINTENDANT: <i>Gary Nicholson</i>	PASTOR: <i>John Lynch (298-1308)</i>
MISSIONARIES: <i>Carrie Callahan, China and Rachel Nicholson, Germany</i>	



# BETHANY UNITED METHODIST

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10:30 AM SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT December 7, 2014

WELCOME Pastor Lynch

ADVENT WREATH Selma and Dale Patrick

\*CAROL "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" # 546

\*INVOCATION Pastor Lynch

\*RESPONSIVE READING "I Believe in Christmas" Insert

\*CAROL "Away in a Manger" # 552

MUSIC MINISTRY Samantha and Michelle Patrick

MORNING PRAYER Pastor Lynch

THE OFFERTORY Helen Lutz

Presentation of God's Tithe

\*The Doxology

\*Dedication Prayer

\*CAROL "Love Came Down at Christmas" Insert

SCRIPTURE Luke 2:8-20 Barb Laraia

MESSAGE "It's All for You" Pastor Lynch

\*CAROL "What Child Is This?" # 540

\*BENEDICTION Pastor Lynch

\*POSTLUDE

Helen Lutz

*\*We stand to honor Jesus Christ.*

*Good morning and welcome to Bethany where God's word is honored, taught and proclaimed. Our mission is to glorify God by making-maturing-mobilizing enthusiastic disciples for Jesus Christ. Please sign the blue attendance pad and pass it along.*

Infant care and a toddler class are held downstairs during worship and Sunday School.

Units for the hearing-impaired are available. Please speak with an usher for assistance.

CD's of today's service are available for \$2.00. Please contact Karen in the church office.

Our extended Sunday School for children is called Kid Zone. Those up to sixth grade are welcome to go downstairs to Kid Zone or remain in the sanctuary for worship.

The Altar flowers are given by Carol Marcocci and Sandra Pillsbury to the glory of God in loving memory of their parents, Arthur and Kathryn Landis, Sister Nancy Kepler, brother-in-law William Kepler and Gerald and Carol's grandson Derek Walborn.

Serving today: **Sound System:** Barry Smith, **Acolyte:** Samantha and Michelle Patrick, **Ushers:** Barry Smith, Tom Gussler, Richard Funck, Dick Lasher, **Organist:** Helen Lutz, **Piano:** Audrey Scipioni.

Prayer request cards are in the pew rack. Please place them in the offering plate knowing that Pastor Lynch and the Bethany prayer chain will pray over your joys and concerns. If you would like to activate the Bethany prayer chain please call Vicki Smith at 838-5665.

Prayer joys/concerns: 1) Healing mercies for Annette Floyd, Cara Scipioni, Arlene Gable and Joan Strait. 2) For our deer hunters in the woods. 3) Our soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen. 4) For those giving and receiving random acts of Christmas kindness.

Our homebound person of the week is Paul Schreckengast at the Masonic Home, Elizabethtown. Please pray for Paul and sign the card in the rear of the sanctuary.

The December Church Newsletter is available online at bethanyumcpalmyra.org and printed copies can be picked up at the information table in the Gathering Room.

The Administrative Council Prayer Meeting will be held tomorrow evening at 6:30. Minutes from last month's meeting are on the information table.