

## **DONATIONS APPRECIATED:**

### **LAMPLIGHTERS COLLECTION**

The Lamplighter Sunday School Class will be collecting men's and women's under pants and thermal wear for men for Light of Life Rescue Mission in large sizes. You can **drop off your donation in the bin provided in the drive-through lobby or bring to class in the City View Room.** If you have any questions, contact George Traylor: [geokarentraylor@verizon.net](mailto:geokarentraylor@verizon.net).

### **BROOKLINE MONETARY DONATIONS NEEDED**

During this giving season please consider a donation to the Brookline Food Pantry. They ran out of fresh food at the November distribution. With costs rising, please consider sending a monetary donation to the Brookline Food Pantry, attn: Karen Stuart, 1036 Brookline Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15226.

### **KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS!**

Please join for a time of fellowship as we knit and crochet prayer shawls, baby blankets & caps **Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.** in the living room area of the McDonald Room. If you have Questions, contact Laura Duffy 412-531-3387, x210 or [lduffy@mlpec.org](mailto:lduffy@mlpec.org).

### **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

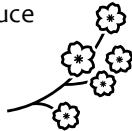
If you would like to have envelopes for your weekly offering, please pick up a box in the Drive-thru Lobby or Narthex. The boxes do not have pre-printed names on them this year, so take any box home with you. If you have questions, please contact Dale Ostergaard: [dfostergaard@gmail.com](mailto:dfostergaard@gmail.com) or call the church office.

### **SUNDAY HOUR OF PRAYER**

A group of us gather on Zoom Sundays at 7 pm to pray together. For the Zoom link or for more information, contact Pat Gaudio at [t4tw098@hotmail.com](mailto:t4tw098@hotmail.com). To request prayers for the Prayer Chain, e-mail them to: [prayerchain@mlpec.org](mailto:prayerchain@mlpec.org). **PLEASE NOTE: We meet in person on the first Sunday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Chapel.**

### **MEMORIAL FLOWERS**

Flowers this week are given to the Glory of God by Eileen & Bruce Tenenbaum in loving memory of Eileen's uncle, Frank Hughey.



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**DECEMBER 4, 2022**

### **SERMON/STUDY SERIES**

Our newest Sermon Series is on **Advent Through the Old Testament.** Study guides are available now in the Drive-thru Lobby and Narthex. Drop by the Welcome Center to connect with a Sunday School or Small Group that follow the sermon series.

### **CHILI, COOKIES & A CHRISTMAS TREE**

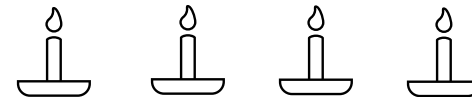
**Saturday, December 10th, from 4:00 – 7:00 pm** - Join us for our annual Christmas Tree Lighting - with a twist – a Chili Tasting & Cookies for dessert! Join us in the front of the church and bring an ornament to decorate the tree (angel, star, etc.) as we share the Christmas story. Ornaments can be homemade or purchased & able to withstand the weather. We'll sing Christmas carols then move to the Fellowship Hall for chili, cookies and hot chocolate! **Sign-up TODAY** in the Drive-thru Lobby and Narthex. Consider signing up to bring chili or cookies, though not required.

### **THE GIVING TREES ARE UP!**

The Giving Trees are now set up in the Drive-Thru Lobby and Narthex, with gift requests for children in need in our community. If you would like to provide a gift for a child or family, please take a tag from the tree & follow instructions. **The tree in the Narthex is for other families in our area and those gifts are due back by Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.** Deacons will be available at the tables by the trees to help. **PLEASE TAKE ONE OR TWO TAGS PER FAMILY. IF YOU HAVE A TAG WITH A "B" BEFORE THE NUMBER THEY ARE DUE BACK TODAY!**

### **WOMEN'S ADVENT BIBLE STUDY**

Let's put Christ back in Christmas as we focus on Advent, a study by J.D. Greear. Please join us on Tuesday mornings from November 29th-December 20th at 9:30am-11am in the Parlor as we focus on the coming of the King. Please contact Liz Mayfield @ (412) 833-5313 or [lfmfield@hotmail.com](mailto:lfmfield@hotmail.com) for more information.



## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:**

### **KINGDOM KIDS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

We cordially invite the members and friends of MLEPC to the Kingdom Kids Christian Preschool Christmas Celebration on **Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary**. A joy filled evening of music and cookies is promised.

### **KINGDOM KIDS SUBSTITUTES NEEDED**

Kingdom Kids Christian Preschool is looking for reliable substitutes for our morning classes. Substitutes always assist the KKCP staff, no planning or experience is necessary. Child abuse and State Police clearances must be up to date. If you are interested, contact Marcia Pratt [mpratt@mlepc.org](mailto:mpratt@mlepc.org).

### **EXCITING CHILDREN'S CHURCH CHANGES**

We are now offering a younger kid (PreK-Kindergarten) and older kids (1st-3rd grade) Children's Church! The younger kids will meet in Room 202 and the older kids in the Sharing Center. To reach the new Children's Church area, please walk past the 2nd floor gym (previous Children's Church area), past elevator B and head through the double doors to the church's education wing.

### **KIDS CHRISTMAS EVE SINGING PRACTICES**

**Sundays from 10:15-10:30 AM in Room 202** (Next to the Sharing Center)  
Kids are invited to join us for our Christmas Eve singing practices on Sunday mornings as we prepare to sing for the congregation during the 5 PM Family Christmas Eve service. Kids should be dropped off in Room 202 (new PreK-K Children's Church room) and picked up from their regular Sunday School classes.

### **TWEENER ICE SKATING**

**Sunday, December 11 from 2-4 PM at Mt. Lebanon Recreational Center**  
Join us for Tweener ice skating and Bible study! Please bring \$16 for skating (extra money optional for snacks at the concession stand), a Bible, long socks, and gloves. Please RSVP to Ashley Gardner at [agardner@mlepc.org](mailto:agardner@mlepc.org).



### **YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**Thursday, December 8 a6:00 to 8:00 PM in Fellowship Hall.** All youth welcome, and friends. Dinner provided, games and prizes. White elephant gift exchange, \$5 maximum. Wear Christmas attire.

### **SMALL GROUP OFFERINGS**

Small Groups are offered here at the church. Find a way to get connected to a group where you can grow in your faith or learn more about Jesus. To learn more, visit the Welcome Center or contact Pastor Steve Aguzzi for more information: [saguzzi@mlepc.org](mailto:saguzzi@mlepc.org).

## **MUSIC OFFERINGS:**

### **WINTER CONCERT**

Enjoy light classics and Christmas favorites played by Will Phifer, piano, and Gil Bigenho, violin. Sunday, **December 11, at 2 pm in the Sanctuary.**

### **GREG & REBECCA SPARKS ~ FINIDING CHRISTMAS**

All are invited for a Christmas concert on **Sunday, December 18 at 6pm** in the Sanctuary. Greg and Rebecca have led worship for us in the past and we've enjoyed their concerts here in the past. We hope you will be blessed by the joy of Christ's birth as we celebrate Him through their music. Please join us!

