Beech Creek Wesleyan Church

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Sunday – December 24, 2023

This Week

Sunday- Worship 9:00 a.m., Candlelight Service 6pm

Week of 12/17
Worship Attendance

191

<u>Tithe Offering / Amount Needed</u> \$4,997.00/ \$4,430.00

Faith Promise

\$205.00

Building Fund \$15.00

Penny March

\$2,181.96 Sunday School Attendance

Thank you for your faithful attendance and giving!

Birthday's/Anniversaries

Sunday – Ronnie Smoyer

Tuesday – Judy Reese

Wednesday – Sandy Gerlach

Thursday – Emma Proctor

In our Prayers

Althea Watkins Keith Peters Amanda Little Ken Packer Andrew Miller Laura Hoffman Becky Dauber Leo Klinefelter Becky Yount Leslie Scott Betty Gray Marie Cummings Bob & Marie Mary Hixson Walstrum Maxine Chub Bryan/Breon Missionaries Mogan Bittner Family Burrows/ Norm & Jovce Walker Lewis **Families Our Country** Owens Family Carrigan/ Neese Family Peg Gilbert Cheryl Breon Renee Fullmer Dan Jackson Sandy & Mikel Dave Dreese Sheasley Dave Heverly Scott Houser Shantell Inch Deb Oaden Dick Long **Teddy Parker** Dolly Hanley Tracy Noel Donna Bitner Ukraine Elmer Phillips Unsaved loved Emmy & ones Becca Stum Unspoken Hope Rice Requests Vera Mann Israel Jeff Hanley Vito Caprio Jerry Heverly Walter Myers Joe Wheeler Wayne & Shirley John Rickert Hixon Joni Bittner Jr. Bechdel

Order of Worship

Prelude offering. Musical Selection - It's Christmas Choir Call to Worship Invocation Worship Through Singing Angels We Have Heard on High 278 O Come All Ye Faithful 249 Penny March Joy to the World The Craguns Worship with the giving of Tithes and Offerings Hark! the Herald Angels Sing 277 Scripture Reading Luke 2: 1-7 Lighting of Advent Candle - Love David & Kristin Petruzzi Away in a Manger 262 Hvmn Morning Prayer Pastor Alan Scripture Lesson Matthew 1:18-23 / Luke 2:10-20 Message 'The Gift of Presence' Pastor Alan Eckenroad Benediction

Reaching Out In Love, Building Faith in Christ!

Welcome

We are grateful that you have joined us today! If you are a first time guest, please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering.

RESPONSE CARD

NAME ADDRE	SS
PHONE EMAIL	#
Name_	Birthday Birthday Birthday rsary
TEXT A	LERTS
If you ar	re new to BCW please text the ELCOME to 570-669-3780.
texting p	ould like to be added to our brayer group text the word PRA 669-3780.
	I would like a copy of a sermon Preached on the date of
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	I am committing my life to Jes Christ for the first time
	I am recommitting my life to Jesus Christ
	I am surrendering my life to the Lordship of Christ
	I would like information about the Membership Class
	I would like information about Baptism

Announcements

Welcome to BCW this Christmas Eve. May we enter to Worship and then leave to serve. If you are a guest today, please fill out the Welcome Card in your bulletin and put it in the offering plate.

Greeters Today: Pauline Harter Next Week: Wayne & Karen Boone

Join us this evening for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6pm. The service will be filled with music and candles as we celebrate the coming of Christ. This is an excellent time to begin the celebration of Christmas with family and friends.

Adult and Young Adult Sunday School and Reinforcers will not meet this morning. All will resume January 7th.

Wednesday Bible Studies - Evening Bible Study with Pastor Alan will resume January 3rd at 7pm.

Wednesday morning Bible Study with Louise Johnson is on break until sometime in January.

Thank you for your generosity in giving. We have assisted 9 families with Christmas this week. Your sacrifice will be a huge blessing to many tomorrow. As we celebrate Christmas tomorrow may we reflect on the reality that 9 families have been touched with the Love of Christ!

Thank you to those who joined us for Christmas Caroling on Wednesday evening. It was a great time of sharing the message of Christmas. Thank you to Susquehanna Transit for allowing us to use a school bus for transportation and to Dustin Sholley for driving. Thank you Pastor Stan for leading the singing.

Pastor Alan & Lorie thank you for your many expressions of love and generosity to them at Christmas! May God bless you and your family at Christmas!

Emmanuel Wesleyan Bible College in Swaziland has suffered significant loss from a recent hailstorm amounting in tens of thousands of dollars of damage to buildings and vehicles. We will receive a special offering to help assist in the repairs at the college on Sunday January 7th. Our Missionary Dorcas Croft is at the Bible College.

Thank You's

- -Sally McGill and Kathie English for filling the goodie bags to be given out today.
- -Dave Dreese for preparing the candles for Candle Lighting service this evening.