



### Missions Mitten Tree

is up to be decorated with new donated mittens/gloves, hats, scarves and socks for children and adults. *Please bring heavy winterproof gloves and hats. The little knit ones are pretty but they don't keep out the cold.*

**Shepherd's Hand is in immediate need of heavy winter gloves. They are giving out practical gifts each day of Advent for about 60 people. You can take them by there or bring them to the church.**

### 2016 Upper Room Discipline Bible Devotional Study

will be ordered on Monday December 7. We want to have your book in your hand by Jan. 1, 2016. Books are \$12/ large print \$15 ( + Shipping). Contact Dick or Elaine Baker 249-3735.

**"Appalachian Winter" Lessons & Carols CDs are for sale in the office during the week for \$15.00. If you did not buy one last year, or if you are looking for a good gift for a friend, here is your opportunity.**

**Last chance to order your Christmas poinsettia plant! Use the order form insert in your bulletin. We will put them on our "tree" in Baldrige Hall and then we can take them home for our Christmas season.**



### ADVENT PRAYER STATIONS Today only

Spend some time reflecting on what the season is really about: Connecting, Focusing, Praying, Seeing, Wishing, Waiting and Pondering.

8AM-8PM downstairs in Park Avenue Hall

### **Prayers**

**CELEBRATIONS:** for all the opportunities of worship and fellowship that we have to share with one another and the community.

**HEALTH AND HEALING:** Verna Brassfield has viral pneumonia; Ida McKnight and Helen Wild (Is expected to go home this Thursday) are recovering from hip surgery; Donna White, severe pancreatic attack in Yuma is recovering; Jenny Smidt, Tom and Dona's daughter-in-law, auto-immune disease. Jana Powell, continual pain; Gary, and Gina Pavlich, a niece, each struggling with addiction; Becky and Butch Clark's son Dean and Candice are parents to Inga Willow, born prematurely in GJ. Prayers are requested for her to thrive.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** for the community of Colorado Springs

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE BATTLING CANCER:** Chris Ball, 3<sup>rd</sup> occurrence of breast; Bob Davis, lung; Elliott's daughter-in-law, Alison, breast radiation; Michael Pugh, stage 4 Hodgkin's responding to treatment ; Don (Elizabeth) Binder, acute leukemia; Skip Willis, Clare's son, bone cancer in his leg; Dick and Sandy Eastman's son-in-law; Paul Raffa, prostate; Tom Blacklock, leukemia; Brad Bingaman's stepfather, Jim with bladder; Arleen Friedman; Jean Bramer, colon; Kelly Ray, brain tumor; Cheryl DuPont, breast; Melissa Jones, breast; Nancy Zaenger's brother-in-law Daryl Arnold, colon; Mary Lou Jeffers chemo and radiation; Jennifer Lynn's sister, Judy Rosencrantz, brain

**IN HOSPICE:** Wade Lee, Kathy Koetzlow's cousin, at home with kidney and liver failure; Reva Caudill, Marcus's mother, metastatic cancer

**DEATHS;** Darline Mugge died 12/2 at home. Cards may be sent to her husband, Ozzie and her daughter, Pam Shippy.

### **ADDRESSES:**

**Verna Brassfield** 2020 Bradford Dr. 81401  
**Pam and Bob Shippy** 1819 Election Way 81401  
**Ozzie Mugge** 808 Heather Lane 81401



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December 6, 2015

**Ushers:** 8:15 a.m.: Karen DeJulio, Trish Gray, Ray Ross, Stan Hayes

9:45 a.m.: Armentrout Family, Gordon Cockroft

11:15 a.m.: Marshall & Beckie Pendergrass, Colette Holm, Bonnie Lamb

### **Flowers:**

### **Worship Leaders:**

### New Sermon Series

November 29, First Sunday of Advent: "Journey through Advent with Mary of Nazareth" –*Luke 1:26-38*

December 6, Second Sunday of Advent: "Journey through Advent with Joseph of Bethlehem" –*Matt 1:18-24*

December 13, Third Sunday of Advent: "Journey through Advent: Mary's Visit to Elizabeth" –*Luke 1:39-45*

December 20, Fourth Sunday of Advent: "Journey through Advent from Nazareth to Bethlehem" –*Luke 2:1-7*

December 24, Christmas Eve: "Journey to the Manger" –*Luke 2:8-20*

Podcast of each Sunday's Sermon is available on the following Tuesday of each week, on our church website. (Past sermons are also available.)

**Church Office Hours:**

**Closed Friday**

**Mon. 9:00-4:30, Tues 9:00-4:30, Wed. 9:00-4:00, Thurs. 9:00-4:30**

*Open during the lunch hour*

**Attendance Sunday, November 8, 2015 Total Attendance: 210**

**8:15 Service: 80 9:45 Service: 65 11:15 Service: 65**

**Adult Sunday School: 13**

**Children's Sunday School: N/A Sunday nursery: 2**

**Youth Group: N/A Youth Bible Study: N/A**

**Pastor's Bible Study: 26 Music at Noon: 87**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES: 8:15 a.m. 9:45 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.**

**Weekday Opportunities**

**Mondays:**

**Adult Caregivers Support Group** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m.  
Meet in the library downstairs

**Tuesday:**

**Pastor's Bible Study** 10 a.m. in Baldrige Hall  
**Prayer Shawl Group** 1-3 p.m. in the library

**Wednesday:**

**Music:** 5:30 p.m. Handbell Choir  
6:45 p.m. Sounds of Faith choir,  
8:00 p.m. Celebration Voices choir

**Thursday:**

**Community Prayer Group** 10:45 a.m. Room 1

**Emmaus Reunion (Support) Groups**

**Women's Groups (Open to ALL Women)**

--Mondays 5:30-6:30p.m.  
Reinhard residence 2238 American Way  
--Thursdays 7:00-8:00 a.m.  
Looney Bean Coffee Shop 3480 Wolverine Rd.

**Men's Group (Open to ALL Men)**

--Fridays 6:30-7:30a.m.  
Looney Bean Coffee Shop 3480 Wolverine Rd.

**Sunday Opportunities**

Youth Group 5:30-7:30

**Meetings this week:**

Monday, December 7  
Men's Breakfast 7 a.m.  
UMW Ex Board 9 a.m.  
Tuesday, December 8  
Stew/Finance 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, December 9  
UMW Luncheon 11:30 a.m.  
Music at Noon in the sanctuary  
Kids Christmas Pageant practice 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 10  
AMC Luncheon 11:30 a.m.  
Friday, December 11  
Parent's Night Out 6-9 p.m.  
Tween Night 6-7:30 p.m.  
Saturday, December 12  
Bob Milne concert 7:00 p.m.  
tickets at the door



**"Music at Noon"**

**December Wednesdays**

**12:00 – 12:30 PM**

Fill the heart of your week and day with some celebratory seasonal music.

Bring a brown bag lunch, a friend, or just your Christmas spirit. A variety of musical styles and performers will be featured.

**December 2** *Robin Freed and Harp Ensemble*

**December 9** *"Ringers of Glory" hand bells*

**December 16** *Dalyn Pearson, vocalist*

**December 23** *Laurie Ranum, pianist*

**If you missed getting an advent devotional last week, have already given your advent invitation away and have used the mission giving envelope, there are more of all of these on the back table and the welcome center. Take one to a friend or a shut-in.**



**If you would like to usher on Christmas Eve at either the 4:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m. or 8:00 p.m. services please contact Dick Baker, 249-3735**



**PICK UP THE PRINTED DECEMBER NEWSLETTER IN THE PASSAGEWAY.**

**Yes, Virginia, there will be a Christmas Day Dinner!**  
The many requests for this community outreach and fellowship opportunity have moved Beckie Pendergrass to capably organize this dinner for us. Now it is up to us to provide the food, the time, the support, and the money to make it happen!  
**Signup sheets are in the passageway.**  
Someone will contact you. If you are not able to do a lot of kitchen work, perhaps you would be a greeter or host at one of the tables.

**Donations** of turkeys, ham, chicken broth, cream of chicken soup, turkey cooking bags, eggs, sweet potatoes, corn, and green beans are requested, as well as the filling of the **pantry** with items for those who attend. When you bring these items, remember families who could use diapers, formula, paper goods, cereal, and other staples. Lessons & Carol attendees have been asked to bring food for that as well.

You will note that the **"mitten tree"** will be up for cold weather apparel—please note that we ran out of men's hats, gloves and socks last time.

**Christmas Day Community Dinner  
Friday, December 25,  
will start early at 12:30 p.m.  
All have a place at this table.**