2nd Sunday of Advent

Gathering Music Let All Moral Flesh Keep Silence arr. Lloyd Larson

Welcome and Announcements

Moments of Friendship-Greet One Another in Peace

Introit (11am) Prepare The Way Of The Lord UMH#207 (sing twice)

*Preparing Our Hearts

There's A Spirit In The Air UMH#192 (verse 1&3)

Angels We Have Heard On High (verse 1&3) UMH#238

Call To Worship Advent Wreath Candle Of Joy .

(9am) Haas Family (11am) Kyle, Jacque & Sarah Jones

Children's Moment Star Cookies Tina Campbell

(As the children come forward please sing, "Away In A Manger") (verse 3)

Prayers Of The People Light Of Joy Rev Bev

Scripture Meditation *Luke 1: 78,79*

Choral Anthem(11am)
While Shepherds Watched (from Appalachian Winter) Joseph Martin

*Scripture Isaiah 11:1-10

(please stand as able for the scripture reading)

Sermon Everyday Peace and Hope Rev. Rick

Reflection Hymn It Came Upon the Midnight Clear UMH#218 (verse 1)

Sacrament Of Holy Communion

Giving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory White Christmas arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

*Doxology Holy, Holy, Holy UMH#64 (verse 4)

*Offertory Prayer: Loving God, we come with hope and peace that only God can give. We offer you all we have in the name of Jesus the King. Bless, we pray, the tithes and offerings and all of ourselves in your service and to your glory. In Jesus Name, AMEN!

*Closing Hymn Hark! The Herald Angels Sing UMH#240 (verse 3)

Benediction

Choral Benediction Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates UMH#213

(verse 4)

Ushers: John Richardson Donald Parker
Mike Painter Tim Helmick

Donald Parker

Liturgist: Tina Campbell Van Driver: Bob Riggleman Hospitality: Barb Miller Greeters: (9am) Luise Zeller &

Susie Smead (11am)Luise Zeller

9am - 120 Sunday School – 76 11am - 164 *OFFERING LAST SUNDAY*:

General Fund Offering Last Sunday - \$6134.00

WELCOME TO LEWISBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

We are glad that you have joined us to worship God and seek God's presence. It is our desire to provide a place where you can experience personal worship of God and be part of a church family that seeks to grow in faith and glorify God. We look forward to meeting you during and after the service. Please sign the fellowship pad during the offering including your address. We want you to be comfortable during worship. Large print hymnals, hearing devices and booster seats for children are all available. Just ask an usher and she or he will be glad to help you. An infant, toddler & pre-school nursery is also available during both Sunday morning worship services and Sunday School. Nursery pagers are given to parents so that you can be assured that you can be reached at any time if your child needs you.



Youth Scoop=

See you Tonight !!!
for Ugly Christmas Sweater Party!
HUDDLE HI & HUDDLE LO
At Rev. Bev's from 5-7:00pm
Bring a \$10.00 gift to exchange

Deeper!! Tuesday, December 6th from 3:45-5:15pm. Ride bus#1376.

Children's Ministry=

Advent QUEST will be December 10th from 10am-noon @ LUMC. All Kindergarteners thru 5th graders are welcome to come and hear the story thru songs, skits, games and edible art. Please register your child and a friend too by calling the church office @ (304)645-2727.

LES Sweet Sneak will be Tuesday, December 13th from 3pm-5pm. We will head to LUMC for Sundaes! Pick up will be @ 5pm @ LUMC. Please register your child and a friend too by calling the church office @ (304)645-2727.

Impromptu Christmas play with ALL children and teens! Come practice & create the live nativity at 5pm in the Sanctuary! 6pm we will perform our creation for all to enjoy. Bring a shepherd, angel or animal costume—we also have extra costumes available!

BIBLE STUDY OFFERINGS=

"Lighting Our Lamps With the Star of Bethlehem", led by Annette L. Moore on December 4th, 11th, 18th and January 1st at 10:00am. Find the heart of Christmas by exploring scriptures, poems, reflecting on traditions, and bringing his warm light into our lives.

The Advent Study at Rick and Cheri's parsonage, "The Redemption Of Scrooge", from Matt Rawles began on November 30th and will continue on December 7th, 14th, and 21st. This Advent study shows us how the teachings of Jesus can be found in Dickens' Christmas classic. This study will reinvigorate our spiritual journeys as we look at this familiar story through the lens of faith.

Worship News=

Appalachian Winter: A Cantata For Christmas will be offered by the LUMC Chancel Choir on Sunday, December 11th during the 9am and 11am worship services. From composer, Joseph Martin, comes a cantata that celebrates the legacy of early American carols and hymnody. Composed in the spirit of folk music, the cantata combines traditional sounds with more rustic elements, creating a blend that is fresh and pleasing. Sacred Harp tunes are retooled for Advent and stand alongside new versions of Shaker hymns and Appalachian melodies. Joining the over 40 choral voices and narrators will be a wonderful variety of instrumental accompaniment including violin, cello, flute, classical guitar, percussion, banjo and piano. It is going to be a really different and wonderful cantata and one that those of us here in Appalachia are sure to really enjoy. Please join us on December 11th....and be sure to invite friends!

December 18th Worship = 9am & 11am the children and youth choirs and bells will perform and Rev. Bev will be leading Worship.

Live Nativity Play Sunday evening at 6pm on December 18th! Come laugh and feel the joy of Christmas as our children & teens act out the story of Jesus' birth. Please join the Mission Team for a birthday party for Jesus to follow in Wesley Fellowship Hall! (please bring a baby gift like bottles, diapers or wipes. These items will be given to babies in need.)

Meetings=

Staff Parish will be meeting on Monday, December 5th at 7:00pm.

Finance Team meets Monday, December 12th at 7:00pm.

There will be a Church Council meeting this month on DECEMBER 19th at 7:00pm!

Looking Ahead=

Greenbrier Valley Chorale presents A Winter Concert, Merry and Bright, on Sunday, December 11-3:00 PM at Carnegie Hall. Adults \$15, Children K-12 \$5 at the door or at: www.greenbriervalleychorale.org

Attitude of Gratitude=

Wellspring of Greenbrier, Inc. wishes to thank Lewisburg United Methodist Church and its many members who so generously contribute to its needs. We never take for granted those who cook, volunteer, donate goods and contribute financially so that our less fortunate neighbors might live just a little more comfortably. As we begin our 13th year, we look back with grateful hearts for having been given the opportunity to experience God's benevolence first hand, and for knowing that you, the faithful members of our church, continue to step forward to meet the demands and challenges placed before us. God truly does protect and assist the poor who are always with us! May God's blessings be with each of you as we continue down the path together. Shalom, Fred & Scarlett Kellerman

Thank you, thank you LUMC family for your generosity in donating \$1600.00 to Kevin Imbenzi, a graduate of Living Hope High School in Bongoma, Kenya. Kevin is a student at Kenya Polytechnic Institute in electrical engineering. Thanks to your donations, Kevin's tuition and school fees are secure for 2017. -D. Hayes

Missions=

SHARE THE WARMTH 2016

Wellspring of Greenbrier, Inc. needs YOUR Help!

November 27th through December 27th

-Good News Winter Shoes and Boots Collection

(Clean and Gently Used)

-Winter Blankets, Quilts, and Comforter Collection

(Clean and Gently Used)

Look for drop-off containers near the office or in the hallway

near the Wesley Room.

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Snacks In Packs offers 'Alternative Christmas Giving' option! If you would like to honor a special person with a meaningful gift this Christmas, but want to support a mission at the same time, we invite you to sponsor a child through Snacks In Packs in the name of your loved one. Snacks In Packs sends a weekly bag of healthy snacks home with enrolled children in several elementary schools in Greenbrier County, thus providing a small "pantry" of sorts for children who don't have enough to eat over the weekends when they are away from school meals. Several hundred children are being served in Greenbrier County! Here at LUMC, we work to raise funds to share with any Snacks In Packs program in the county that needs support as well as also fully funding and operating the Snacks In Packs program at Lewisburg Elementary School which serves over 120 children weekly. Any size donation helps. \$50 sponsors a child for an entire year. More information and forms that you may pick up and complete if you wish to make a donation in honor of a loved one this Christmas season are located at the entrances to the sanctuary. All forms must be received by Sunday, December 18th in order for us to have time to notify your loved one(s) of the special gift given in their honor. Questions? Call Lara Edwards at 304-647-4825.

Shepherds Run: Sign up to provide goodies to folks working on Christmas Eve. Simply write your name and phone number by the business(es) you want to deliver to on the 24th. You can provide a plate of goodies such as cookies, candy, fruit, cheese, crackers etc. Please include a card that says it is from LUMC and we appreciate their service to others at Christmas time. If you want to deliver to a business that is not listed, just add it and your name to the bottom of the list. The sign up sheet is located at the small table outside the office door. Any questions?? Call Diana Godbey at 304-661-3258.



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OUR VISION IS

Go make disciples Grow in love Glorify God

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday School ~ 10am Worship ~ 9am & 11am ******** Rev. Rick Brown Pastor Rev. Bev Colombo **Associate Pastor** Carrie Honaker Director of Music Lara Edwards Accompanist Brittany Damon **Church Administrator** Rhonda Kinder Office Staff Assistant Darren Campbell Sound Technician Brenda Fitzgerald Custodian Teresa Bostic Shepherd's Center Director Rhonda Kinder Joyful Noise Program Director Shannon Lehman Preschool and PMO Director Sunday School & Nursery Coordinator Faith Robinson Children's Outreach & Gloria Beverage **Communications Coordinator** **********