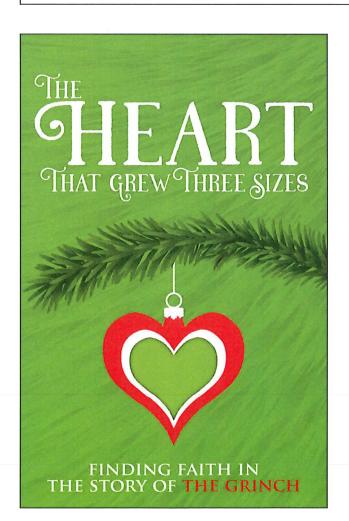
## **TUMC WEEKLY NEWS – NOVEMBER 25, 2022**

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Wishing all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving— with many blessings for you and all who gather with you around your table!





## **Coming for the Christmas Season!**

We'll take a look at Dr. Seuss's beloved children's story, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, in a new way—through the lens of faith. We'll use this beloved Christmas classic to help us understand the redemption and salvation offered to us in Christ, and how the birth of God's son brings peace, hope, love, and joy. Whether we identify with the Grinch, sympathize with him, or feel aversion to his character, we can learn from his journey as he comes to understand that Christmas is more than what he thought.

November 27th— When Everything is Wrong
December 4th— When Christmas Isn't Christmas

December 11th— When Light Shines
December 18th— When Joy is Our Song

#### Christmas Eve Worship—Candlelight Services

Thorndale UMC

December 24th— 11:00am in the Sanctuary

4:00 pm in the Worship Center

Hibernia UMC

December 24th— 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary 11:00 pm in the Old Church

Join Us—All Are Welcome Here!



Many thanks to everyone who joined in the gift making and thanks giving on Sunday afternoon!

Grateful for
Cheryl Van Horn and
her help coordinating
such a great time—
and for all who
helped in any way!



Thanks, Pete, for another yummy dinner—and thanks to Tim and the band too!



We are thankful for our Firefighters, Police Officers, Teachers and Staff at Caln Elementary our Township—and all who serve alongside us!



We also made
pet gifts for the SPCA
and scarves for
the children of
Caln School and those
we serve through
the food box
out front.

We will celebrate Communion on Sunday, December 4 in worship at 9:15am and during drive thru communion at 12:30pm.





The staff and students of Thorndale Learning Center wishes everyone a safe and fun Thanksgiving.







#### INTENTIONAL SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT.

Jesus commands us to make disciples, by teaching and encouraging all to grow in their faith.

## ADVENT GROUPS START THIS WEEK!

• Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM in the

Conference Room, beginning Nov. 27

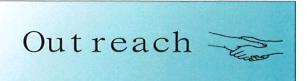
Thursday afternoons at 2:30 PM in the Conference Room, beginning Dec. 1
 Contact Cheryl Faust at <a href="mailto:office@thorndaleumc.org">office@thorndaleumc.org</a> or 610-384-2433 if interested.

**NEW FOR THIS ADVENT:** Reverse Advent is a new concept for TUMC but

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that is being implemented more and more by other churches. It means that while waiting for the birth of Jesus, we use some of that time to reach out to others in a new way. In addition to our Caln school giving tree, we will be collecting canned goods for CWYA. Again, this week, the last page of the newsletter has a list of suggestions for giving. Of course, you need only bring your donations in weekly, not daily, and as we collect the non-perishable items, we will be building a canned goods Christmas tree in the Worship Center so that we are all able to have a visual of the impact that we are making in our community.

Non-perishable items donated and provided to the CWYA in November was 89 pounds!



#### OUTREACH

We are ambassadors of Christ, called to share Him with our community and beyond.

#### **Caln Elementary School**

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40 NIV

Thank you for your generous donations of hats, gloves, and scarves, some of them beautifully handmade. I know the children will appreciate their new winter accessories. Because of the generosity of the online donations for Caln Elementary, which are used to provide for unexpected or emergency needs, we were able to purchase eight Giant gift cards to accompany Thanksgiving baskets provided by the school.

Once again, we have the opportunity help the families at Caln Elementary provide a happy Christmas for their children through **our angel tree project**. Trees are set up in the Welcome Center and the East Narthex. Please take an angel tag from one of the trees and make a child's wish come true by purchasing the gift indicated on the tag. Wrap your gift (no bows please) and securely attach the angel tag to the package. Tags are color coded by family, so please see me if you lose your tag. Due to allergies which may be unknown to us, **please do not include any food items with your gift**. Place the gift under one of the trees or in the bin which will be located at the top of the stairs from the main parking lot. Gifts are **due no later than Sunday, December 18.** 

Thank you for helping to make Christmas special for these families and for your continued support and prayers for this ministry.

Holly Orr, Caln School Coordinator



#### **FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP**

God is the giver of every gift. Therefore, we will grow in our generosity to be active in our mission and ministries through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.



**GIANT GROCERY** Cards are available for purchase in the office on Sunday mornings or during the week. Current denominations available are: \$100, \$50, \$25, \$20, \$15, and \$10.

Our church earns 5% on the sale of each gift card. Thank you for your purchases. Purchases can be made on Sunday morning or during office hours during the week

#### **HEALTHY COMMUNITY LIFE**

Providing opportunities to build and strengthen relationships within our faith community through communication, collaboration, and accountability.

#### **Upcoming Birthdays:**

11/26 – Kim Kramer 11/27 – Ken Kramer 11/30 – Carol Barnes 11/30 – Ruth Battin

11/30 - Mark Hart



#### **SHUT-INS:**

Listed below are our shut-ins and their mailing addresses if you would like to send them a card or note.

Onzelle Barber Hickory House, 3120 Horseshoe Pike, Honey Brook, PA 19344

Richard Bohot St. Martha's Villa-Room 10, 490 Manor Ave., Downingtown, PA 19335

Gretna Crossan Newport Meadows, Birch Unit, Rm. 206, 41 Newport Avenue

Christiana, PA 17509

Dot Johnson Harrison House, Room 111, 300 Strode Avenue, East Fallowfield, PA 19320

Ivan Purcell 66 Willow Place, Newark, DE 19702 Carl Purcell 193 Cantebury Road, Milford, DE 19963

Shirley Hammons Newport Meadows, Room 108C, 41 Newport Avenue, Christiana, PA 17509

The 2022 Flower calendar has been posted to the bulletin board outside the office. Thank you for your continued sponsorship of our altar flowers. Sign up early so you get your desired date. You can pay later as the date becomes closer.



### **COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**



# 35th Chester County Messiah Sing-along

Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. 7PM
Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church
1121 Octorara Trail, Parkesburg, PA
Information is on the bulletin boards and at the Welcome Center.
<a href="https://messiah-singalong.org/">https://messiah-singalong.org/</a>

Pastor Shauna is off on Mondays.

She may be reached via email at <a href="mailto:pastor.shauna@thorndaleumc.org">pastor.shauna@thorndaleumc.org</a>
or by phone at 610-662-5679.

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM-2PM



Create in me a pure heart O God and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10

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#### Where have you experienced God's presence in your life this week:

- Spending time with family.
- Saw two sets of friends
- With a friend, we enjoyed a musical event that honored Christ.

#### **Traveling:**

- For all those traveling over Thanksgiving
- Dave and Jen Cluck from FL.

Praise/Thanksgiving: Safe travels to/from VA

#### Hospitalizations, Treatments, Tests & Surgeries:

- Lauren Beauchamp-lithoscope 11/25
- Emily Kopp

Pray for our Staff: Josh Dwyer

Pray for our TLC Students: Vavaan. Kirah. Jade. Dylan.

Pray for our TLC Staff: Manna Lathwal

#### Other:

Coatesville Area School District
For caretakers of ailing parents.

People of Ukraine & Russia
Buffalo & Waterburg, NY.

For those who are alone on Thanksgiving. Families splintered by separation and divorce.

For the homeless. Those suffering with COVID.

Healing

Wayne Barrows Diana
Judy For all those who are sick.

Lauren Beauchamp Janice F. Josh Dwyer

George B. Jim B. Brian F.-herniated disc Tony Sam Wilson Jamie B.

Jesusine Jason F. Sharon W.
Chuck (Holly's cousin) Barb Byers Philip Byers

Fran O'Neill David Dwyer Jim VanHorn
Nancy VanHorn Lyle & Leone Norrbom Nancy & Ken McDowell

Carl & Ivan Purcell Lee & Shirley Carroll Matt S.

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## **CHRISTMAS POINTSETTIAS**



Yes, IT IS THAT TIME AGAIN, time to begin to think about ordering poinsettias for Christmas. This year, we will be offering Red, White, Pink, and Burgundy poinsettias. Poinsettias come in 6" pots and are \$8 each. There are 3 ways to order your Christmas flowers:

- 1. Contact the church office at 610-384-2433 to place your order.
- 2. Order on-line.
- 3. Use the order form at the Welcome Center in the lobby after worship on Sunday.

#### Deadline is Wednesday, November 30th!

You have the option to have your flowers placed in memory of a loved one, in honor of someone or to provide a donation to our Pat Moore scholarship fund for our TLC students. Flowers may be taken following our Christmas eve services or picked up the following week in the church office.

PLEASE NOTE: THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 AND 25 FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

