

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a **Crock-Pot Cook-Off** today after the worship service! There will be all sorts of crock-pot goodness to taste! So, come on down to Fellowship Hall and get your taste buds working! All monies collected will be used to fund the various mission projects of CCUPC.

Stop by the **Spiritual Growth** table in the Greeting Area to pick up your **daily devotional materials** for **Advent**. There are many adult selections and also great choices for the kids. What a great way to involve the whole family on what is really important during the Christmas season. Window calendars have a daily Bible verse to help teach kids the story of Jesus' birth. *Advent begins next Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>!*

**2016 CCUPC Photo Directory.** . . the Deacons are working on a new directory for our church family. *Today* is the last day to have your picture taken after worship. If you would like to submit a picture, send it to: [photos@ccupc.org](mailto:photos@ccupc.org). Be sure to include the name(s) of family members. If you prefer utilizing the family photo that is in the current CCUPC Directory, send us an e-mail to [photos@ccupc.org](mailto:photos@ccupc.org) letting us know.

**ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS??** It would be a wonderful gesture if you would send an encouraging note to our *November Students of the Month* — Brendan MacFarlane, Brienne Okuda, Katie Watkins & Sara Ahlgren. Think of how thankful they would be to hear from YOU! The table is set up in the Greeting Area, so stop out and sign a card and make a college student's day!

The Mission Committee will be sponsoring a **Craft Night** with members of **CityView Church** on **Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**. We are asking volunteers provide the crafts - something that doesn't take too long and that congregation members can take home with them. It is a great time of fellowship, and is open to anyone who is interested. See Dara Marner or Jo Goddard with questions. This is a great family activity!

We often get calls and drop in visitors at the church requesting support for various things, many times revolving around a need for fuel, food, or clothing. We supply these needs from the gift cards donated through special projects. This past year we have had a lot of requests and have depleted our reserve of gift cards. If you are able, we would appreciate a donation of a gift card to Giant Eagle or Walmart. Any denomination is appreciated. Please place them in an envelope marked "**Families in Need.**"

**One More Thing**....as our schedule of worship has changed, and we are hosting one Coffee Social each Sunday morning, we have gone back to having only the villages host the coffee socials. This eliminates people from hosting multiple weeks. But, what it also does, is cut back on the number of people providing snacks and helping out. So, when your Village Chair calls and asks you to provide a snack *and* help out, please graciously accept the challenge. We have everybody at one time coming out of the Sanctuary looking for a snack, which means we need to have enough snacks to accommodate the demand. This also means that the Village Chair will need help setting up and cleaning up. Please lend a hand!

## THIS WEEK AT CCUPC

<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11/20</b>	
	<i>Pray for Indonesia</i>	
9:00 am	- Sunday School	Both Levels
10:00 am	- Worship	Sanctuary
11:15 am	- Crock Pot Cook-Off	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	- Jr. Youth Group	Lower Level
6:30 pm	- Youth Group	Lower Level
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>11/21</b>	
9:00 am	- FLM Mailing	Conference Rm.
7:00 pm	- Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>11/22</b>	
8:30 am	- Men's Breakfast/Bible Study	Conference Rm.
7:30 pm	- Thanksgiving Worship	Sanctuary
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>11/23</b>	
7:00 pm	- Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>11/24</b>	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>11/25</b>	
	- <i>Office Closed</i>	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>11/26</b>	
9:00 am	- <i>Deck the Halls</i>	Main Level
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11/27</b>	
	<i>Pray for Iran</i>	
	- <b><u>NO</u></b> Sunday School	
10:00 am	- Worship/Communion	Sanctuary
	- Coffee Social	Greeting Area
	- Village C	
	- <b><u>NO</u></b> Youth Group	

### A LOOK AHEAD AT OUR SCHEDULE:

- The **Men's Breakfast Group** will meet Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 AM.
- Our **Thanksgiving Worship Service** will be Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 PM.
- **Deck the Halls** on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.
- We will be celebrating the **Sacrament of Communion** on the First Sunday of Advent, November 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be **no** Sunday School on this day.
- The **office** will be **closed** Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Let's continue the celebration at the **Happy Birthday Jesus Party** on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> beginning directly after worship at 11:15 AM.

The **Per Capita** amount will be announced in December. Hold onto your envelopes until you see the information in the bulletin.

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November 20, 2016

## **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

### **A WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION**

#### IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land . . . This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Savior.”* Jeremiah 23:5, 6b

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude Children's Choir

#### **“Thanksgiving Day and Every Day”**

*“Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him.” Psalm 37:7*

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a green prayer card and pass it to the center aisle as they will be collected during the first hymn and included during the prayer time)

The Call to Worship

#### WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE

\*A Hymn of Praise **“Thank You, Lord”**

*I come before You today,  
 And there's just one thing that I want to say:  
 Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.  
 For all You've given to me,  
 For all the blessings that I cannot see:  
 Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.  
 With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,  
 With an outstretched arm I will bless Your Name.*

*Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.  
 Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.  
 Thank You, Lord.*

*For all You've done in my life,  
 You took my darkness and gave me Your light;  
 Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.  
 You took my sin and my shame,  
 You took my sickness and healed all my pain;  
 Thank you, Lord, thank You, Lord.  
 With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,  
 With an outstretched arm I will bless Your Name.*

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Thank You, Lord.*

### WE WORSHIP IN PRAYER

\*The Call to Confession

\*The Unison Prayer of Confession

**Sovereign God, we confess that although we willingly say that “Jesus is King,” we often fail to bow our knees before Him. Instead, we grant our allegiances to the relationships and material goods of this world. In Your mercy, hear our prayer of confession. Grant us the humility to bow before You, the Ruler of all nations, so that we may be loyal servants in Your kingdom. Through Your Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords. Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Glorifying God **“We Will Glorify”**

***We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb.  
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.***

The Joys, Concerns, and Prayers of God’s People

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

### WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

Our Invitation to Give

The Offertory

Combined Choirs with Sarah McKinley

**“Giving Thanks”**

\*Praising God #556 **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings”**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*The Prayer of Dedication

### WE WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION

\*The Greeting *(Please share words of peace, encouragement, and hope)*

The Children’s Lesson and Prayer *(The children may come forward)*

*‘The children 3 years old - Kindergarten may now leave for TLC out the back doors of the Sanctuary with Miss Gynni)*

*‘The children who are in 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grades may now leave for KFC out the back doors of the Sanctuary)*

The Scripture Lesson

Colossians 1:11-20

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The Sermon

Pastor James M. Moran

**“WHY BE THANKFUL?”**

### GOING IN GOD’S NAME

The Closing Hymn #165 **“Rejoice, the Lord is King”**

\*The Benediction

The Postlude

**“O Worship the King”**

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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*The vases and basket of flowers are given by Jon, Lydia, Vincent, and Andrew Horvath to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Doreen.*

***Please keep these family members and friends in your prayers:***

Donna Altieri (Linda Schuman), Geneva Cable (Mindy Cable), the Cowan family, Lillian Grundler (Dick Grundler), the Robert Humble family (Ray & Peggy Wetzel), Ryan King (Cindy Miller), Sue Kirkland (Nancy MacFarlane), Barry Lavery (Dale & Diane Jacobs), Linda (sister of Marcy Rastetter), Kim Long (Nancy Hodges), Jason Martin (the Martin family), Jack Miller (Gene & Jeanne Smith), Jim Miller (CCUPC member), Lee Moorhouse (Linda Moorhouse), Harriet Murray (Bill Murray), Robert Nixon (Carol Martin), David Pierce (Bob & Gail Pierce), Karen Raman (CCUPC member), Rebecca (Carol Martin), Pastor Dena Roy, Christina Taylor (Bob & Donna Taylor), Tim (Shirl Lonie), Donald J. Trump (John Malone), Dale Williams (Marcy & John Hammann), and Chris Woods (Jason Martin).

We share our THANKSGIVING to all the Veterans for their service and sacrifice.

Jacobus Snyman shares his THANKSGIVING that his aunt, Marli Snyman, is expecting a baby boy. Prayers for a healthy pregnancy and infant.

Pastor Dena Roy shares her THANKSGIVING for all the prayers, cards, and delicious meals that have been sent her way as she recovers from surgery.

*Every year we decorate the Sanctuary and the “point” in the Greeting Area with live Christmas trees, and outline the church property on Christmas Eve with luminaries that have been sponsored by a family in our church. The purchase of the trees and candles can be funded in memory or in honor of a loved one. Recognition of the trees and the luminaries will be noted each week in the bulletin during Advent. Please contact the church office ([office@ccupc.org](mailto:office@ccupc.org)/724-776-5310) if you’re interested in sponsoring one of these gifts.*

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### **I WAS JUST THINKING . .**

Burton Blair tells of a time that the Archbishop of Paris stood in the pulpit of Notre Dame Cathedral, being invited to preach a sermon he built his sermon around a single story. Thirty years earlier, he told, there were three young tourists who had come into that very cathedral. All of the young men were rough, rude, and cynical persons, who thought that all religion was a racket. Two of these men dared a third to go into the confessional box and make a made-up confession to the priest. The two bet that the third young man did not have the nerve to do as they dared.

The third young man went into the confessional box and tried to fool the priest. But the priest knew that what the young man was saying was a lie. There was a tone of arrogance in the young man’s voice - which could not go without notice. After hearing the confession, the priest told the young man his penance. The priest said, “Very well, my son. Every confession requires a penance, and this is yours. I ask you to go into the chapel, stand before the crucifix, look into the face of the crucified Christ and say, ‘All this you did for me, and I don’t give a damn!’”

The young man staggered out of the confessional to his friends, bragging that he had done as they dared. The other two young men insisted that he finish the performance by doing the penance. This young man made his way into the chapel, stood before the crucifix, looked up into the face of Christ and began, “All this you did for me and I . . . I . . . I don’t . . . I don’t give a . . .” At this point in the story, the archbishop leaned over the pulpit and said, “That young man was this man who stands before you to preach.” That is the miracle of the cross. When we begin to understand the love on the cross, we want to change our relationship with God. We cannot remain the same, anymore. We want God at the center of our lives, again.

Bless your hearts,

Pastor Jim

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**THE GIVING TREE is UP!!!** It is in the Greeting Area and filled with “wish list” tags that will have specific gift suggestions. We will be sponsoring the Mars Home for Youth, CityView Church, the Pittsburgh Project, VOICE, and local people in need. *The gifts are to be brought back to the church unwrapped by Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.* If you don’t want to shop, purchase a scrip card and someone from the Mission Team will shop for you - just let us know. If you have questions, feel free to call Dara Marner (cell/724-316-3475).

**HEY FAMILIES.** . . . don’t forget to come and help us **“Deck the Halls”** on **Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>** at **9:00 AM** as we decorate our church for Christmas. The trees have been ordered, so pick up some ornaments to make at home and bring them back with you. It’s a fun fellowship time to meet new people and make our church beautiful for the holidays! Donuts, juice, and coffee will be available for you to enjoy while we work together. Hope to see you there!!