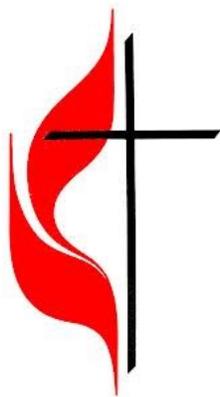


# Aldersgate Hinge

December 2019 / January 2020



## *From the Pastor*

It's already December. Can you believe it? December will go by fast and you would feel it goes by even faster as you have things to do – baking cookies, Christmas gifts, Christmas and end-of-year events, Christmas cards. Yes, I still send Christmas cards. However, I send out much fewer than before.

'Tis the season to be jolly. Fa la la la la la la la!

Oops! I forgot about the Christmas tree and decoration on the things to do list.

'Deck the halls with boughs of holly...'

Just like I forgot about the tree, it is so easy to forget about what we are celebrating in December. We are celebrating for the best gift in history. Jesus! God sent His Son for us. If you skip or ignore the celebration of Jesus, it would be like you staying in the parking lot for the tailgate party for the entire game, not watching the Bills game at all.

Let us join together in the excitement of waiting for His coming and for the joy of meeting baby Jesus, our Savior. So I invite and encourage you to attend all four Advent services and Christmas Eve service. I also encourage you to invite your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers. The service of the Hanging of the Greens on December 1 and the service of Christmas Cantata on December 15 are also great opportunities to invite people to church. Of course, invite them to Christmas Eve service.

As I am excited about the joy of Christmas, I am deeply thankful to God for you and all you have done for God and His church. At the beginning of this year we knew we would face many challenges. But God has richly blessed us and Aldersgate Church. God is good! Hallelujah!

I want you to know this. You have been the channels through which God's blessings have been delivered. Thank you for investing and sharing your time, talents and treasure. Let us give thanks to God and move forward into a new year in which God will do new things.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

*Pastor Sung Ho*

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# Our Ministry of Concern

## Prayer Concerns

People are added and removed from our ongoing prayer list upon request. Please call the church office to ADD, REINSTATE, or REMOVE names.

### Aldersgate people with ongoing health concerns:

Nancy Bailey, Bernice Bird, Ellie Cook, Frances Crabtree, Jennifer & Shaylee Crandall, Joyce DeBell, Nathan Dunn, Ron Durbin, Dick Edgett, Patti & Shannon Forbes, Carolyn Gilson, Becky Hess, Dick Keegan, Tim Kephart, Diane Kress, Ray LaFlair, Ruth Loomis, Mas Okita, Dorothy Pearson, Joe Piper, Cindy Purzycki, Laurie Ruell, Larry Scrivens, Betty Smith, David Stanley, Michael Thompson, Doug Unell, Louie VanKouwenberg, Hal Wagner, Terry Young, Zeh family

### Friends & Relatives of AUMC People with Health

**Concerns:** Miguel Ahumaha (Juan Ruiz), Amy & Halo (Laura Kimmel), John Adamski (Betty Judd), Quinn Aldridge (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Family of Anastasia (Patti Forbes), Emma (Nancy Bailey), Carol Price Barden (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Eleanor Barry (Natasha Cartens), John Bommele (Glenn & Alene VanPutte), Christine and Claudia (Kathy Bernardi), Tony Blanco (Karen Best), Mom (Jerebrel Bowens), Bill (Jane Shukitis), Gretchen (Nancy Brehm), Terri Brown (Annette Thompson), Bonnie Bush (Bobbi Mohrmann), Mother (Mike Capalini), Amy Carey (Sabrina McLeod & Gretta Schaefer), Casey (Kathy Peck), Jen Crandall and Shaylee, Family of Donna Colangelo (Mary Simms), Lou DeVelder, Andrew (Lisa Deutsch), Sonny, Denise, Jen, James, Emily & Noah, Bill (Gloria & Rick Baker), Norma (Mark DeVincentis), Mom (Carol DeCann), Wendy Dunn, Diane Durbin (Ron Durbin), Ed (Shauna Poling), Eileen (Schudel's), Ethan (Bobbie Eckert), Cathy (Roger Forbes), Joanne, Lynn & Zarah (Joyce Farrokh), Gordon (Roger Forbes), Joshua Grosso (Nancy Brehm), Eileen Harloff (Wendy Dunn), Richard Hartman (Nan Keller), Bruce (Linda Hayward), Katie & Jake (Doug Hess), Helen (Doug Hess), Jessie (Adam Pfund), daughter and grandson (Nancy Jones), Dennis Jones (Patti Vawter), Beth, Jordan & baby (Deb Hamel), Helen & Bob (Nancy Jones), Kathy Kalwicki (Melody Zielinski), Kevin, Lily (Gloria & Rick Baker), Joe Klein, Catherine Klinkbeil (John & Debbie Simm), Motter Family, Puleo Family, Lois, Mary & Jim Kofron (Sue Galligan & Karen Sladden), Rudolph Kovac (Bob Kovac), Jennifer Larsen, Liz, Joanne (Gretta Schaefer & Sabrina McLeod), Martell family, Frank Gallagher (Kimberly Lindenau), Steve (Mary Ann Lyons), Lonnie, Trina, Fonda (Deborah Whitt), Mark (Brenda Donovan), Maxine (Sharon Bartter), Matt & Judy (Candy Metzger), Carley McCarthy (The VanKouwenbergs), Phillip Mead (Bobbi Mohrmann), Bill Meagher (Tammy Gilzow-Kephart), Stacey Miller (Wendy

## E-Mail Prayer Chain

PLEASE help us keep the weekly printed church bulletin prayer concerns list UPDATED.

Call the Church Office (663-3665) if you have a prayer request during the week.



& Mike Dunn), Milton (Sharon Bartter), Mitch's mother (Joyce Pombert), Nancy (Lisa Deutsch), Nicole Mohrmann (Rich & Bobbi Mohrmann), Kelly Naylor (Debbie & John Simm), Norah (Jan Rothfuss), Ortiz family (Sue Galligan), Mike O'Shea (Jim Cobia), Barb Patton (Schudel's), Patty (Sue Galligan), Randy Patzwald (Debbie & John Simm), Laurie Peacock (Sue Spicer), Cooper Petrone (Sabrina McLeod), Phoebe (Deborah Whitt), Pete (Shawna Poling), Dave (Frank Pombert), David (Cindy Purzycki), Ray and Cententa family (Carin Ganter), Carol (Laurie Ruell), Daughter (The Ridley's), Butch Riemer (Karen Rice), Carol Ritter (Sue Zorn), Polly Roberts (Bette Edgett), Robinson; Rhonda's husband (Mary Sims), Kim (Dave Rogenmoser), Christian Ruell (Laurie Ruell), Kathy & Scott (Sue Rozinski), Paula (Tim Rolfe), Elora (Mike & Deb Russo), Bob (Deb Hamel-Russo), Brittany Sauers (Gloria Baker), Eileen and George (Donna Schedul), Tyson & Warfield families, Dobson family, Martha Simmons (Deborah Whitt), Monica & Brook (Mary Sims), Susan Tuck Rooksby, Ricki Schaefer (Bobbi Mohrmann), Judy Smith (Carla Starr), Sylvania (Maria Stanley), Lee Star (John Cook), Adam (Anna Simm), Wally (Kathy Start), Abby (Louretta Teasdale), Marcie (Laurie VanAllen), Marilyn Thomas (Deborah Whitt), Sue VanderTang (Nancy Jones), Lonnie (Deborah Whitt), Tom (Alma Harmer), Kathy (Gloria Baker), Ted & Barb Way (Wendy & Mike Dunn), Wally (Kathy Start), Dave Wyble's father (Jim Cobia), Herb, Roger (Colleen Tyler), Evan Weaver (Mitch), Denny Wright (The DeVincentis), Vickie (Doug Unell), Shirley Webber (Annette Thompson), Dad (Kaori Winter), Greyson Wise (Tammy Gilzow-Kephart), Niece (Steve Zeh), Alicia (Sue Zorn)

**Nursing Homes/Living Centers:** Nona Antczak – Aaron Manor; Barb Condon – Cherry Ridge; Jane Coonan – Mill Landing; Francis Crabtree - Episcopal Home; Al Holmes – Latta Road Nursing Home; Pat Holmes – Legacy Cranberry Landing; Len Mack – Hurlbut Nursing Home; Donna Rice – Mill Landing; Elaine Sampson – Hilton East; Martha Thomson – Hamilton Manor

**Christian Sympathy** to Gloria and Rick Baker and family – daughter, Jennifer passed away October 31st.

**Sympathy also goes out** to the family of Helen Griswold, who passed away November 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Joy to the World

ALDERSGATE 2019 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

## New Advent Devotional Available to All

Be sure to pick up a copy of our very own Advent Devotional book, *Joy to the World*, available on Sunday, December 1! Written by members of our congregation, the devotionals—one for each day of Advent—offer a wide variety of insights for the upcoming Christmas season.

The Devotional booklets are free, though \$1 or \$2 donations are welcome to help cover the cost of printing!

## “Hanging of the Greens”

**A Special Advent Worship Service to Begin this Holy Season!**

Sunday, December 1, 2019

9:30am and 11:00am Worship Service



## Christmas Pot-Luck Luncheon

After the Cantata on Sunday, December 15

Starting around 11:30am -1:00pm

A **sign-up sheet** is located on the opportunity bulletin board. Please bring your favorite holiday dish (casseroles, salads, desserts). Drinks will be provided. We need people to help set up tables, organize and arrange food on tables, and clean up.

Hope you can join us on this special day at Aldersgate UMC.

## SAVE THE DATE: Feb. 25 Pancake Dinner

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 25, 2020! 5-7 pm. Pancakes (blueberry, chocolate chip, and plain,) sausage,\* applesauce (new this year), and drinks. A family friendly event for all! Mark on your calendar! It is a fundraiser for our Children’s Ministry programs at Aldersgate UMC.

## Church Events & Opportunities

### Panera Bread Fundraiser Nights

Tuesday, December 17, 2019 & Monday, January 27, 2020  
4:00pm - 8:00pm

800 Greece Ridge Center Drive  
Greece, NY 14626

Gather your friends and family for dinner out and help raise money for the church! We will earn 20% of sales during the specified times if you show this ad when you place your order.

If ordering online for Rapid Pick-up or Delivery, enter “PRFUND” as your promo code to have a portion of your proceeds donated to the church.

### Winter Crafting Weekend on Feb. 7 & 8

Join your fellow crafters for a weekend of fun and working on your favorite craft projects. We will start at 12:30 on Friday the 7th and finish at 10 pm. Dinner is included, along with a make & take project. On Saturday, the 8th, we work from 9 am—9 pm. Breakfast and Lunch are included along with another make & take.

- Register for both days for **\$50 until Jan. 25th**. The price goes up to \$55 after that.
- Single days available for \$30 each (goes up to \$35 after Jan. 25th).

All funds raised will go toward paying expenses at the church. If you don’t want to craft but would like to lend a hand with setting up and/or serving any of the meals, please let us know.

For more information or to register, contact Karen Sladden (455-2920 or karensladden@hotmail.com) or Susan Galligan (317-3138 or sgallig1@rochester.rr.com). Forms available on the bulletin board in the gathering space, or register online at: [www.aumcgreece.org/craftws](http://www.aumcgreece.org/craftws)

### Sunday Coffee Time Snacks Needed!

Please consider donating a snack of some kind so our Sunday morning coffee times offer enough food for everyone attending the service.



Suggestions include baked goods, fruit, crackers, cheese or other snack items. See Betty Judd to volunteer or if you have any questions.

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## United Methodist Women

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### Reading Circle

We will meet on Thursdays, December 5, 2019 and January 2, 2020 at 1:30 PM in the Church Library. All are welcome. Contact Carol Cobia if you have any questions.

### Sew n' Sew's

Come join us on Mondays, December 9, 2019 and January 13, 2020, at 1:00 PM downstairs in Room 1 (across from Fellowship Hall). Bring a project to work on or help us with a church project. We will also discuss what projects we will be working on for 2020.

### UMW General Meeting

On Saturday, January 25, 2020 we will meet at 10:00 AM downstairs in Fellowship Hall. We will have our Pledge Service and then work on Sew n Sew projects. Lunch is provided for \$5.00.

### Morning Circle

On Tuesday, December 17, 2019 we will watch a movie, *I Can Only Imagine*. On January 21, 2020 we will have our Pledge Service and a program TBD. We meet at 11:00 AM in the Parlor. Bring your lunch. Beverage and dessert are provided.

*We would love to have you join us in all or any of our UMW Circles and meetings.*

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### Children's Special Candle Walk Event!

**Sat. Jan 25<sup>th</sup>** from 5-6pm (Ages 5-10). Meet and Eat Dinner together at 5:00pm/Community Dinner in Ide Center and then go on a Candle Walk throughout Church. We will also read the book *Candle Walk: A Bedtime Prayer to God* by Karin Holsinger Sherman and make a cardboard lantern for our walk. Please e-mail Rhonda Simonelli [rsimonelli@aumcgreece.org](mailto:rsimonelli@aumcgreece.org) for more information. Sign-up sheet will be on the Christian Education bulletin board and in Sunday school. (Max. number 12)

# Thank You

### Thank You

Thank you so much for the love that the people of Aldersgate Church shared with me for Pastor Appreciation Month. I truly appreciate it. I am blessed to be pastor at Aldersgate Church. The gift, money tree, is growing well in my office. As I look at the plant, I think of you and pray for you.

Pastor Sung Ho

### Thank you, Rev. David Jones

Rev. David Jones loaned Aldersgate Church his piano indefinitely. It replaced the piano that had some problems. Thank you very much, Rev. Jones.



### Welcome New Members

#### Mary Lou Jones

Mary Lou Jones transferred her membership from LeRoy United Methodist Church to Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Mary Lou has been attending Aldersgate Church for a few months with her husband, Rev. David Jones, retired United Methodist Pastor from New Mexico Conference. Both Mary Lou and Pastor David sing in the choir. Mary Lou and Pastor David, we welcome you.

#### Brittni and Michael Chamberlin

Brittni and Michael joined Aldersgate Church by profession of faith and baptism on September 22. They were married at Aldersgate Church on October 19. Congratulations and blessings to your life journey together.

### 2020 Campaign Off to Good Start

December marks the time when church Leadership puts together the budget for the coming year. On Commitment Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, we collected 51 pledges amounting to \$132,058. This is a great start against our goal of \$348,138 – we are 38% to our goal!

THANK YOU to everyone who has committed a pledge of financial support. These committed dollars help us to make informed decisions about how we can support our ministries.

We will continue to accept pledges through November... and if you are reading this in December and still haven't pledged, it's not too late! Every Pledge counts and is important to the ministries we support.

### Another Milestone!

The church mortgage just went under \$1 million!! Even though we still have a long way to go, the end is getting a lot closer! The construction cost was \$3.1 million, so we've come a long way. We've also been able to do many things with all the extra space! We are so grateful to all who have made this possible. We hope to have your continued support as we head toward the day when we can burn the mortgage!

### Auction Raised Almost \$3,000!

The Annual Auction held on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> was a wonderful night of fellowship, food and fun. We also raised a bunch of money. It takes a lot of people to pull off an Auction...so big thanks go out to Jan Winter, Tracy

Winter, Kim Lindenau, Sabrina McLeod, Bobbi and Rich Mohrmann, Sue Rozinski, Bobbie Eckert, Kathy Peck, Mary Dow, Jim Bailey, Dave and Cindy Roza, Bud and Carol Kress, Betty Judd, Jim Cobia, our youth-ful Vannas (Steven, Cyril, Ella, & Emma). If I've left anyone out, I apologize – you know who you are, and I am grateful for your service! I am also grateful for everyone who donated an item, service or baked goods, as well as those who came and bid! As of this writing, we don't have the final figures, but preliminary numbers have us making about \$3,000. This money will be split between AUMC Ministry Shares and the AUMC Building Fund.

### Do you know about the Crafting Workshop's Income?

The church now hosts three craft workshops during the year where crafters pay money to rent table space and work on their projects. All of the money raised is donated to the church. It has been used to update the lighting in the Ide Center and to purchase this year's cantata. The cost of the recent piano moving and the cost of the piano tuning was also covered. In addition, the funds have covered new furniture for the Youth Room, plus many other items that couldn't be covered with regular budget money.

The people who attend the Crafting Workshop are not primarily Aldersgate attendees. Karen Sladden and Sue Galligan are the organizers for these events. This has become a great fundraiser for the church!

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## WHITE GIFTS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM — Can You Help?

### Helping Needy Families for 57 Years

You may help in the following ways:

#### MONETARY DONATIONS

**ADOPT-A-FAMILY** - Money will be provided from the White Gifts general funds. You have the rewarding assignment of personally shopping and delivering to your "family."

**SPONSOR-A-FAMILY** (Full responsibility for a needy family).

Just like the "Adopt-A-Family" option except that you fully sponsor the cost of the food and gifts. Expect to spend between \$300-\$400 for food and gifts for an average size recipient family. *You may want to share this project with other Aldersgate families, co-workers, neighbors, or friends and split the expense.*

#### Plan Now!

Speak to Jan or Tracy Winter at church or contact them by phone at 225-4927 for more information and to volunteer in this very rewarding venture as soon as possible. You may also e-mail Jan at [winterjanets@gmail.com](mailto:winterjanets@gmail.com). If you volunteer to purchase gifts, a list will be provided for you.



## Junior & Senior High School Study

We are studying the Andy Stanley 8-part DVD series: "Christian – It's not what you think."

"Christian" is a brand that can be good, bad, attractive, or repelling. It's a loaded label no matter whom you ask. But where did the word come from? And did it come with instructions? In this DVD series, Andy reexamines the word "Christian" and revisits the one thing Jesus wanted his followers to be known for – it may surprise you if you've been hurt by the church or by a Christian. It's easy to say "I'm a CHRISTIAN..." But are you a disciple?

John & Dennis Simm (Junior High/High School Teachers)  
10:45-11:45 AM Sunday Mornings in Fellowship Hall

## Silent Night!

We are excited to have Briana Kephart as our Aldersgate children's dance choreographer for this year's Christmas Eve Liturgical dance. She will be teaching a special dance and holding practices on Sundays from 10:15-10:45 AM starting December 8 in Fellowship Hall. There will be 4 practices, one being a dress rehearsal on Monday, December 23 from 6:30-7:00 PM. Please let Rhonda Simonelli know if your child is interested in this joyful opportunity. ☺

## Christmas Eve Play Opportunity for Children!

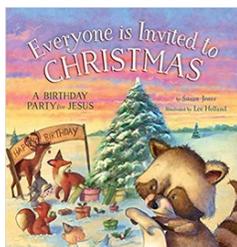
We are looking for children actors for this year's Christmas Eve play held at the 5:00 pm Family Service. The title for this year's play is "*The Birth of Jesus*." There will be 4 practices starting on **Sunday, December 8** from 10:45-11:20 am in Fellowship Hall. The final practice will be a dress rehearsal on Monday, Dec. 23 from 5:30-6:30pm. We are thankful to have Sabrina McLeod and Erin Pfund as this year's pageant directors again! Please let Rhonda Simonelli and/or Brian Winter know if your child is interested in being a part of this year's Christmas Eve service. You must be able to make the practice sessions.

## "Everyone is Invited to Christmas"

(The continuation from last year's book, *A Birthday Party for Jesus!*)

Happy Birthday Jesus Party on Sunday, **December 22** from 9:45-10:15 am – and again at 11:30-12:00 pm.

A Book Reading, decorate your own



Christmas cookie, and create a special gift to give a loved one for Christmas.

The forest is abuzz with magic and excitement—it's time for Jesus' birthday! The invitations for His birthday party float on in to all but one forest creature. Living far off in a hollow in the forest's furthest tree, Little Raccoon has never quite fit in with the other forest animals. Feeling left out and alone, she watches as the rest of the friends share in the fun of decorating for Christmas. It's not until Little Raccoon gets help from an unexpected friend that she discovers the meaning of Jesus's birthday, His love, and that everyone is invited! (Christian Books)

## COOKIE ELVES WANTED:

Cookie Elves who are willing to make & bake an assortment of Christmas cookies at home and bring to church specially plated to sell for \$5.00 each.



## WOW!

Come and enjoy Aldersgate's UMC worship service on **December 22**, purchase Christmas cookies by the plate, and drink freshly brewed fair trade coffee from Africa as a special holiday treat!

## COOKIES FOR A CAUSE:

All donations will go towards Ebenezer Ministries African Farmland Initiative. Contact Rhonda Simonelli, Brian Winter, or Rich Mohrmann for more information.

## A NEW Veggie Tale Movie!

### "THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT"

Will be shown on Sunday, December 29 at both Sunday Worship service times. Popcorn and drinks will be served.



Bob and Larry are preparing for their first Christmas show in Mr. Nezzzer's theater and the show seems to be headed for disaster. Bob begins to wonder how to celebrate Christmas when everything is going wrong. It's when the Veggies go back to the very first Christmas, where times were tough and things didn't seem to be working out, that they all learn the promise of Christmas - God is with us. It's a timeless story of hope that every family will enjoy! (Amazon)

## Save the Date! God's Love Keeps Me Warm

**SNOWFLAKE SATURDAY** on **February 1, 2020** from 5-7pm in Ide Center. We need people to help set up, lead stations & serve food. Please see or e-mail Rhonda Simonelli or Brian Winter if interested.

# Youth activities



gymnastics, dunking, playing dodgeball, climbing, jousting, etc.! All in all it was a great, fun-filled and meaningful time together with the youth. We look forward to doing it all again next year!



## Movie Night

In October we celebrated Steven and Ella's birthday and watched the movie *All Saints*. It's an inspiring true story about a Pastor whose first appointment is to a church only to oversee its closing. With only a handful of members, none are willing to just see the church close its doors. Praying for a way, things take a sudden turn when Christian refugees escaping terrible persecution in Asia suddenly begin to fill the church. In a last-ditch effort to save the church they band together, planting a farm to raise enough to keep the doors open. It serves as a wonderful lesson on how when we act in faith, not always do things come together the way we expect, but God always has a way of taking that seed of faith and bringing it to fruition!

## Reverb 2019

After months of anticipation, on November 8, the time for Reverb finally arrived. The evening began with an Amerks game—unfortunately, they lost to the Devils (the *Binghamton Devils*), which was not what we would have hoped for at a Christian event. After a brief rally and Christian message, we headed to Clubhouse where we hit the games, played golf, and froze our faces off riding the go carts! From there we headed on to Altitude Trampoline Park, which was just a hop, skip and a jump away. The park was packed and had so much to do; we had a great time with everyone, and it was a blast watching everyone (and sometimes participating) jumping, doing

4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
**Youth**  
CONNECTIONS

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays - 6:30pm to 8:30pm



## Thank You!

Thank you to all who have supported the youth group's bottle and can drive! Thank you also to Steven Samuel for raising \$125 for the youth!



Facebook: Aldersgate  
Greece Youth Group

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Zuni Garcia-Simons	December 10
Maria Stanley	December 10
Samantha Christie	December 11
Kimberly Lindenau	December 13
Carol Cobia	December 14
Shannon Forbes	December 16
Stephanie Bock	December 22
Cindy Roza	December 24
Noel Anderson	December 25
Carol Pearson	December 25
Kathy Savage	December 25
Andy Deutsch	December 27
Fran VanKouwenberg	December 27
Daniel Savage	December 28
Iris Simonelli	December 30
Bobbie Eckert	December 31

## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARES

Brenda & Rick Donovan	December 3
Chris & Cori Loudon	December 8
Terry & Nancy Young	December 13
Harry & Roxanna Muthersbaugh	December 22
Ed & Shirley Geier	December 26
Nancy & Ken Rex	December 28

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Brenda Donovan	January 1
Brian Jones	January 1
Christine Rice	January 3
Jack Simm	January 3
Bob Thayer	January 3
Sabrina McLeod	January 7
Lorrie Durbin	January 8
John Grizzanti	January 9
Ashley Everts	January 10
John Zorn	January 10
Joseph Michaloski	January 19
Jan Rothfuss	January 19
Rich Keller	January 19
Len Mack	January 20
Holly Deutsch	January 20
Sara VanKouwenberg	January 23
Danny Fox	January 26
Roger Forbes	January 27
Nancy Jones	January 31
Kathy Bernardi	January 31

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARES

Bill & Wendy Peeck	January 3
Bud and Carol Kress	January 24

## The Trustees' Corner

### Many People Make Light Work!

The snow got to you before we could! We are looking for volunteers to help clear the sidewalks of the church when we have had a snowfall. Come early to church or stop by after work. The two entrances that are used most get attention, but it is the other two leading to Dewey Ave that need to be cleared as well - Fire Code! We even have a snow blower that can be used.



We continue to gather a group of wonderful volunteers to clean out and organize a room of the church each month. In November we did the Education Storage and December will be the office! Use the sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board if you can lend a hand.

Notice a light bulb out? Please add it to the log that sits behind the Welcome table. Any non-emergency facility request can be added to that book. Date it and leave your name as well in case we have questions!

Did you know that someone walks through our church every night to be sure it's secure? We are always looking for people to help. Even as a back-up when people are on vacation. Please consider getting trained to be a security checker!

The Trustees have been working on our budget to ensure all the church assets are taken care of, but we have to balance it with our important Missions and contributions.

We greatly appreciate those of you who step up and take care of projects with us. A new electrical outlet in the IDE storage room, continued work on the accessible door, roof repairs, and new ways to heat the building are all items that you may not see but things like this are being worked on all the time. Why people help? Sometimes it's because someone has expertise in an area, time to help or just loves helping the church....or all three. We thank you!

Merry Christmas from the Aldersgate Trustees.

# December 2019



**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 Hanging of the Greens</b> 8:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting (P) 8:15 a.m. ACWT (S) 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service (S) 9:45 a.m. Kids Church - Pre K-Gr 5 (3/4, 7) 11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School (P) 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service (S, G) 11:15 a.m. Kids Church - Pre K-Gr 5 (3/4, 7) 2:00 p.m. AfricanWorship (S) 3:15 p.m. Hispanic Children's Worship (S, G) 6:30 p.m. Small Group (Zorn) (P)	<b>2</b> 5:00 p.m. Drama Class(2) 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (3/4) 6:30 p.m. Soccer (Ide) 6:45 p.m. Sm. Group (Winter) (P)	<b>3</b> 10:00 a.m. Sm. Group (Peck) (2) 1:30 p.m. Sm. Group (Coburn) (2) 6:00 p.m. Trustees (O) 7:00 p.m. Sm. Group (Devincentis)(P)	<b>4</b> 12:00 p.m. Men's Lunch at Ezzy's 7:00 Hispanic New Member Class(8) 7:00 Hispanic Kids(7) 7:00 p.m. Choir (S)	<b>5</b> 1:30 p.m. Reading Circle (L) 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (3/4) 7:00 p.m. Stewardship (L)	<b>6</b> 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Sm Grp(Rivera) (8) 7:00 p.m. Sr. High Youth (YR)	<b>7</b> 9:00 Budget Meeting 11:00 a.m. Blue Christmas Service (C) 3 p.m.-8 p.m. Hal's 3rd Birthday Party (Ide, K)	
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## Serving in Worship This Month

### AV Schedule

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
12/1	Mark DeVincentis Rich Mohrmann	Ron Durbin Juan Ruiz
12/8	Ted Carstens Rich Mohrmann	Roger Hotchkiss Juan Ruiz
12/15	<b>ONE SERVICE at 10:30 AM</b> Mary Sims Rich Mohrmann	
12/22	Ron Durbin	Roger Hotchkiss Colleen Tyler
12/29	Mark DeVincentis Ron Durbin	Roger Hotchkiss Colleen Tyler

### Scripture Readers

	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
12/1	Hanging of the Greens	Hanging of the Greens
12/8	Adam Pfund	Kathy Peck
12/15	<b>ONE SERVICE at 10:30 AM</b>	
12/22	Carol DeCann	Brian Winter
12/29	Sue Rozinski	Ron Durbin
1/5	Sharon Bartter	Nancy Young
1/12	Shawna Poling	Jim Cobia
1/19	Doug Hess	Sue Zorn
1/26	Sabrina McLeod	Brian Winter



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## Celebrate Advent and Christmas

### **Hanging of the Greens Service**

**Sunday, December 1, 9:30AM & 11:00AM**

Children and Youth will lead the first Advent Service

### **Advent Sermons**

December 1: The Joy of Love, Matthew 1:22-23

December 8: The Joy of Hope, Matthew 1:18-21

December 15: Christmas Cantata

December 22: The Joy of Peace, John 14:27,

Revelation 21:1-4

### **Blue Christmas Service**

**Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 11:00AM, Chapel**

Blue Christmas service offer special recognition of the struggles such as sadness, depression and grief that many people face during the season of Christmas celebration. Please come and find rest, comfort and healing.

### **Christmas Cantata & Pot-Luck Lunch**

**Sunday, December 15, 10:30AM (Combined Service)**

The Chancel Choir will present a cantata, *And There*



*Was Light*, by Joseph Martin. There is only one service on this Sunday. A pot-luck lunch will follow the service. Please bring a dish to pass.

### **Christmas Eve Services with Candle Lighting**

5:00PM Family Service with Children's Christmas Play

7:30PM Traditional Service with Carols and the Christmas Story

11:00PM A service with Communion in three languages: English, Spanish and Kinyarwanda