

# Guardian Angels needed!!!!

We want to start back up our Guardian Angel program. First we want to make this a one year commitment, at which time we would have a party to introduce the youth to their GA's.



We've had lots of GA's and Youth that are no longer with the congregation for various circumstances...so we would like a fresh start with the youth now attending....through 8th grade. The youth would write notes introducing themselves...what they like to do...their birth date, hobbies, favorite Bible story...etc. Then, GA's can correspond with letters, cards, little gifts for special occasions, and praying for their child.... all without being discovered who they are for the year. The youth will be responsible for writing back, thank you notes, praying for their GA and little gifts as well. We will set back up the mail boxes in the lower level for this program.

The idea is to encourage each child, to let them know they are missed when not attending church, to gain enthusiasm and anticipation to want to be with the church, to pray for their problems and celebrate their achievements. If you would like to be a GA, please let Jean Peters know...and she can give you the details.

Thanks so much!

## Mission News



Our Youth Group has begun a Mission Project called: Your Cheer Patrol, after finding the need to help a child feel self worth....after being bullied endlessly. We are in need of wide mouth plastic containers....so we can make our Joy containers. If you could start saving containers like these below, we would appreciate it. We will have a box set-up in the hall of the lower level. If you know children in need of our "Cheer", please let us know their details. We will be filling them with little cheer notes and Bible verses.

Please Help Us!



## PRAYER LIST: (New prayers should be given to Denise in the Church Office.)

- **Sympathies to Kathy Wallace & Family on the loss of her Mother, Anna Jane Justice** (January 9, 1922 – January 11, 2018) services pending;
- **Sympathies to the Boyd & Wildman Families on the sudden death of Mason Boyd** on Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> in an auto accident on York Road; Mason was a Sophomore at Watkin's H.S. / Wildman's friend / classmate;
- **Sympathies to the Elder Family on the Loss of their Father (Leslie Crawford's Uncle);**
- **Sympathies to Ron & Jean Earls** on loss of their 36 year old niece, Kelly Ross, who died unexpectedly on December 25th at her home in Erie, Pennsylvania. (A memorial service is to be held in Oil City on January 6.)
- **Sympathies to the Family of Stephanie Baldridge**, whose Grandmother passed away on Saturday, Dec. 16;
- **Sympathies to the Family of Sylvia Page** (Winston's Wife) who passed on 11-20-17, age 80; services were 12-1-17, with Elder Jim Boggs officiating;
- **Keep Jim Boggs' Mother & Father in prayer; Jo Boggs is now in a Skilled Nursing Facility – address forthcoming;**
- Courtney Carroll (Natalie Wildman's friend) leukemia/transplant;
- **June Conrad** (Anna & Elise Conrad's Grandma) had a mild stroke / testing done, results pending / staying with the Conrads;
- **Dena** (Wandersleben's friend) Melanoma / highly aggressive;
- **Layla Goodwin** (Fred Goldstein's co-worker's granddaughter), 4 yrs. old, with esophageal issues from allergies / may need a feed tube;
- **Kim Howard's Father** (Sarah Bailey's Friend), head, hands and arms severely burned due to house fire / at OSU hospital / months of recovery;
- **Claudia Johnston (Tom's wife), now home and doing well;**
- Greg McKee, homeless;
- **Phil Kourim** (Jamie Bowlby's brother) recovering from a stroke;
- **Norma Kraft**, fell and broke her right wrist, after she recovers she promises to write to everyone!;
- **Bob Lutz** (Karen J.'s brother) home/ cancer now throughout his body;
- **Charlene Martin** (Celler O'Toole's friend) heart procedure 11/29;
- **Shelby Mullins** (Kathy Wallace's friend) 16 yrs. old, blood clot in leg;
- **Helen Mock** (Larry's daughter-in-law), blood clot;
- **Wanda Neudorfer Pack** (Linda Glenn's friend) cancer;

### Church Family & Friends with Cancer

Bruce DeHart, Chris Farley, Wanda N. Pack, Jon Thom, Jane Wildman

### Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers

Connie & Victor DeRose, Howard Efaw, Faye Hammond,  
Claudia Johnston, Anne Nixon

## Olde First News – January 14, 2018

Childcare offered 9:30 – Noon in the Lower Level Nursery.  
If you are visiting today, we thank you for your visit and hope you enjoy the  
“Welcome Packet” provided by our Church Greeter.

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Please call the Office or an Elder for any prayer needs and emergencies. Call the office at 740-927-4796 and leave a message for changes in the weekly prayer list, updates or announcements. PLEASE NOTE: Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship. If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

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After Worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall,  
for coffee & light refreshments!



### WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

**SUNDAY:** Sunday School 9:30 a.m. / Worship at 10:45 a.m.  
**MONDAY:** Clogging, 7:30-8:30 p.m.  
Cub Scout Pack #4021, (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays), 6-8 p.m.  
**WEDS:** Karate Class, 6:30 to 8 p.m. – Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.  
Illumin8 & Adult Bible Study – Every other Week, 6-8 p.m.  
**THURSDAY:** Girl Scout Troop #386, 6 – 9 p.m. (Every Week)

### Giving Totals for Sunday – January 7, 2018

Deacons \$28 Missions: Codex \$200

Rental Proceeds \$1,295 Plate \$5,315

*Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 weekly*

12/17: 64/\$4,379 12/24: 62/\$8,304.58 12/31: 41/\$1,346 1/7: 54/\$5,315

Please Note: \$23,105 was transferred from the Phortia Stevens Account  
back into the General Fund to cover last year's Organ/Piano Repairs  
that weren't covered by the 2017 Organ Fund Campaign.

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### JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

|  |                             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| 2 Jeff Conrad                                  | 3 Teri Charles              |
| 11 Faith Harvell                               | 22 Diana Mock, Pat Vincent, |
| 23 Denise Metzger-Kelling                      |                             |
| 24 Roger Cruse, Kristie Hammond, Tracy Hammond |                             |
| 25 Jared Rice                                  | 26 Peter Witt               |
| 28 Sally Seiberling, Alex Baird                | 31 Jon Davis                |

# Worship For the Lord's Day

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.    January 14, 2018    Worship, 10:45 a.m.

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## Gathering of God's People

### RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

WELCOME:    *Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ,  
that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you,  
our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.*

### GREETING AND SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*As God has greeted us with his peace,  
so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Also See Old First News Bulletin Insert)*

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP *(Please sign & pass the black pew pads)*

### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 36

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your  
faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains; your  
judgments are like the great deep.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take  
refuge in the shadow of your wings.

We feast on the abundance of your house, and drink from  
the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of  
life; in your light we see light.

Let us worship God.

#### \*Hymn of Praise No. 84:

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Even as we have done it unto one of the least of these, your  
children, we have done it unto you. When they hunger and thirst  
we are not quick to offer them the bread of life and the cup of  
salvation. When they are outcast or imprisoned we seldom go out  
of our way to visit them. Then they are sick or alone we are not  
quick to keep vigil at their side. We know you are in our midst  
and await our response. Forgive us when we do not go out of our  
way to be there for you. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Assurance of Pardon

In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his  
Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Friends, believe the good  
news of the gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

#### \*GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE NO. 546:

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be world without end. Amen, Amen.*

## Proclamation of God's Word

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

By Jamie Bowlby

### ANTHEM

### SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 62:1-5 and John 2:1-11

### SERMON: "Celebration"

By The Rev. Gary M. Brose

#### \*Hymn of Response No. 479:

"In Christ There Is No East or West (Second Tune)"

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

*The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and  
earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was  
conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into death. The third day he rose again from the  
dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of  
God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the  
living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic  
church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the  
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Response to God's Word

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY: 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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERING

Lord God, thank you for the blessings  
you have given us year after year.  
Help us to wisely use the time you have given us.  
Lead us, while we remain here on earth,  
to serve you through all the people around us  
who are in need. Amen.

Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

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 debts, as  
we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Go Out as God's People in the World

\*Closing Hymn No. 435: "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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### CHURCH STAFF

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