

**Faxon-Kenmar
United Methodist Church**

1301 Clayton Avenue
Williamsport, PA 17701

December 27, 2009



To all who received him,
to those who believe in his
name, he gave the right to become
children of God – children born
not of natural descent, nor of
human decision or a husband's will,
but born of God. - John 1:12-13

♥ HEARTLIGHT

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Service of Worship

An Informal Time of Praise and Prayer

Welcome! We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us this morning.
Helping you grow in faith is our primary purpose.

Gathering Music	<i>Christmas Variation</i>	Cruber
Announcements and Celebrations		
Meditation	<i>Christmas (for your own personal meditation)</i>	#231 (Red Hymnal)
Music for Meditation	<i>The Little Drummer Boy</i>	Davis, Omorati, & Simeone
	Ed Schleiff, Harmonica	
*Opening Song	<i>There's a Song in the Air (v. 1 & 4)</i>	#249 (Red Hymnal)
Scripture Lesson	Luke 1: 26-37	(Pg. 56 NT).
Songs of Praise	<i>What Child is This (v.1)</i>	#219 (Red Hymnal)
	<i>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	#238 (Red Hymnal)
	<i>The First Noel (v. 1 & 2)</i>	#245 (Red Hymnal)
Silent Prayer ~ Spoken Prayer ~ The Lord's Prayer		
*Gospel Lesson	Luke 1: 46-55	(Pg. 57 NT).
Message	<i>The Gift Worth Understanding</i>	
Gifts of Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	<i>Bethlehem's Beautiful Star</i>	arr. Peterson
	Ed Schleiff, Harmonica	
*Doxology	<i>As With Gladness Men of Old (to the tune of For the Beauty of the Earth)</i>	
	As they offered gifts most rare, at that manger rude and bare.	
	So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,	
	All our costliest treasures bring, Christ to Thee, our heavenly King. AMEN	
*Prayer of Dedication		
*Closing Song	<i>Hark the Herald Angels Sing (v. 3)</i>	#240 (Red Hymnal)
*Friendship Circle		
*Prayer of Blessing		
*Greet Each Other		

Service of Worship

A Service of Lessons and Carols

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Lighting the Altar Candles		
Gathering Music	<i>Christmas Variation</i>	Cruber
Greeting Each Other		
Announcements and Celebrations		
Meditation	<i>Christmas (for your own personal meditation)</i>	#231 (Red Hymnal)
Music for Meditation	<i>O Holy Night</i>	Dwight
	Ed Schleiff, Harmonica	
*Morning Prayer		
	Response: O Lord, help us worship in spirit and in truth.	
*Hymn	<i>In the Bleak Mid Winter (v. 1,2,4)</i>	#221

Lesson 2 Samuel 7: 11b-16 (Pg 281 OT). God promises to establish an eternal kingdom with David's descendant.

Carol *Hail to the Lord's Anointed (v. 1)* #203

Lesson Isaiah 7: 13-14 (Pg. 636 OT). The prophet announces that a virgin will give birth to Emmanuel.

Carol *O Come O Come Emmanuel (v. 1)* #207

Lesson Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 (Pg. 638 OT). The prophet announces the birth of a king to a people in darkness.

Carol *Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming (v. 1, 2)* #216

Lesson Luke 1:26-35, 38 (Pg. 56 NT). The angel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary that she will give birth to God's Messiah, whose kingdom will never end.

Carol *Away in a Manger (v. 1)* #217

Lesson Matthew 1:18-25 (Pg. 1 NT). Matthew tells the birth of Jesus.

Carol *What Child is This (v. 1, 2)* #219

Lesson Luke 2:1-7 (Pg. 58 NT). The birth of Jesus is in Bethlehem.

Carol *O Little Town of Bethlehem (v. 1, 3)* #230

Lesson Luke 2:8-16 (Pg. 58 NT). Shepherds go to see the Savior of the world.

Carol *Angels We Have Heard on High (v. 2)* #238

Lesson Matthew 2:1-11 (Pg. 2 NT). Wise seekers follow a star to find the child Jesus.

Carol *We Three Kings (v. 1, 5)* #254

Lesson John 1:1-4, 12-14 (Pg. 91 NT). John unfolds the great mystery of God's plan.

Carol *Joy to the World (v. 2, 3)* #246

Our Prayers for Others

Giving Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory *In Dulci Jubilo* Bach

*Doxology *As With Gladness Men of Old*

As they offered gifts most rare, at that manger rude and bare.

So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,

All our costliest treasures bring, Christ to Thee, our heavenly King. AMEN

*Prayer of Dedication

Special Music *Redeeming Love* – Gaither's Ed Schleiff, Harmonica

*Benediction

***Music for Greeting Each Other in Peace & Love** *Postlude on Hymn to Joy* Young

***Please stand as you are able**

Greetings and welcome to all! Families, friends, visitors are welcomed in the name of Christ. Let us rejoice with hearts and voices and spirits as we worship God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Friend.

Joys, Concerns and Notices of our Church Family

- ◆ Thank you to Janet Hurlbert for filling in for David today! Thank you to Ed Schleiff for his talent with the harmonica!
- ◆ Pastor Dave's bible study is on hiatus until Jan 19th, at 1pm.
- ◆ Thank you for your support of the Bruster's Ice Cream Coupon booklet sale. ALL of the \$625 collected from the sale of 52 booklets will now be applied to the Capital Funds balance. ~ Nancy & Bob Bowers
- ◆ Please remember the Office is closed (except for when Pastor Dave is there), all next week. Regular hours will resume Jan. 4th. Please also remember to take your 2010 envelopes and your poinsettias!
- ◆ Attention Women's Sunday School Class: We will resume classes on January 3. We are on Chapter 9 of the book "Becoming a Woman of Purpose". - Janet Mahonski
- ◆ Attention all who received the letter concerning the churches 2010 budget, our lunch and work session will be begin directly after church next week, Jan. 3rd. Please be prepared to stay or send someone from your committee so that by approx. 3pm next week we have a budget. Thank you.

- ◆ Pastor Dave will be away Jan. 10-16 for training. Rev. Walter Schell will be on emergency call during that time, 323-5961.
- ◆ The next ET Circle Meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 19th at 6pm at the Airport Restaurant. Please sign up in the narthex so we can let them know how many are coming.
- ◆ 2010 Calendars are on the table in the narthex, they are provided by Kaufman Funeral Home. Be sure to thank Scott Kaufman!
- ◆ This Month's Food Drive –any kind of non-perishable food. Thank you for all of the food you have provided this year to those less fortunate.
- ◆ Thrift Store News: Toys, toys, toys! We are so low on this item! If you have friends or relatives that are getting rid of outgrown toys, consider asking them to donate to the store. Please make sure the toys do not have any broken parts and are complete. Also ongoing collection of box tops for education (make sure they do not have expired dates). We recently added \$50 to our account from the auction of these!

This Week at Faxon-Kenmar UMC

TODAY	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday	Happy New Year!	
	Thrift Store Closed	
Saturday	Thrift Store Closed	
Sunday	8:00 am	Worship
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:15 am	Worship
Immediately after Worship	Budget/M.A.P/Session	
	11:30am	The King's Kids
	Noon	Teen Celebration

<u>Stewardship Report from Last Week</u> (12/20/09)	
Given for Current Expense	\$ 4,198
Total Amount of Bills paid last week	\$ 2,284
Balance available for Current Expense	\$ 1,911
Outstanding Unpaid Obligations Due	\$ 20,295
(includes shares of ministry)	
<u>Given for Designated Needs</u>	
Missions	\$ 255
Sanitation Fund (total needed)	\$ 5,500
(received to date)	3,635
Still need	\$ 1,865
<i>Benevolent Home Offering</i>	\$ 50
Given for Capital Funds	\$ 735
Memorial Gifts	\$ 170
Balance of Capital Funds	\$ 7,820
Balance of Loan	\$ 272,150

Key: BR-Becht Bd Rm; MPR-Becht Multi Purpose Rm ; SH-Stiner Hall; SSR-Upper Sunday School Room

Helping Us inWorshipToday

8:00 a.m. Service

Usher: John Lauchle

Our Staff

Director of Music Ministries: David Koskey

Custodians: Connie Hamilton, Chris Lauchle

Office Manager: Liz Broshkevitch

10:15 am Service

Ushers: (Captain) Scott Kaufman, Bob Bowers,

Tom Griffiths, Bruce Huffman, Joe Hunt

Greeters: Howard & Jeanne Peterson

Acolyte: Heather Rummings

Media Team: Bruce Huffman, Dwayne Rummings,
Scott Schramm

Pastor: Rev. David Brinker

Ministers and Servants of the Lord: All Members of the Congregation