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Rector's Corner: *What can I give Him?*

Dear Friends in Christ,

The birth of any child is a sort of miracle ó a miracle that weds life-giving potential with a helpless vulnerable human life. We seem to live in times of exceptional difficulty: a time of fear, of division, and even of hatred in our society and our politics. It is a time when many question the wisdom of bringing such vulnerable life into the world. Yet, we must recognize that the world into which Jesus was born was actually not so very different from our own. It was an uncertain world where the people played õgames of thronesö for real and pitted power and money against one another often using common folk as mere pawns in their deadly games. Even so, God's sending of his son, Jesus, as a vulnerable child born in the stable in Bethlehem, is a sign for all time that God is determined that the world will be saved from itself --that the world will be made whole again. What God reveals to us in this singular act in our history is that the only power that can save the world from itself is the power of love ó and love alone.



We often see Christmas as a time for giving and receiving. From the time when we are small children, we come to expect gifts at Christmas time. Perhaps this is because as small children, we do not have the resources to provide gifts for others ó but as we grow õin wisdom and in age,ö we soon come to learn that *giving* becomes as important, if not more so.

The story of Christmas, as we know it, tells us how God in his love and compassion, sent his Son, Jesus, as an absolutely free gift to provide for our salvation. Paul affirms this truth when he writes to the Romans: õwhat proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinnersö (*Rom 5:8*). This manner of giving ó without invitation and without the hope of a gift in return is meant to be a model for us: the heart of Christmas lies not merely in the giving and receiving of gifts but in the selfless love of God for the world God has made.

In light of all that God has done and does for us even now, the question inevitably presents itself to every Christian and to every person of good will: but what can I give in return? Perhaps the answer lies in the last stanza of one of the most beautiful hymns of the Christmas season ó *In the bleak midwinter*:

What can I give Him,
Poor as I am? ô
If I were a Shepherd
I would bring a lamb=
If I were a Wise Man
I would do my part, ô
Yet what I can I give Him, ô
Give my heart.

Only when we give ourselves over to the transforming love of God can we see the way to cut away at the root of human selfishness, which is so prevalent in our society, and is the fundamental cause of most of our woes.

As followers of the Anglican way, Episcopalians are quintessentially a õChristmasö people ó a people deeply rooted in and seeking to live in response to the incarnation of our God ó our God's coming among us õin the fleshö as one like us in all things but sin. As we seek to follow Jesus, we form our lives around the core teaching of Christmasô the theology of self-giving. Jesus said: õI tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain=but if it dies it yields a rich harvestö (*John 12:23-24*). In this way, Jesus teaches us that giving of one's self always has a multiplying effect ó the gift keeps on giving. In Luke's gospel, Jesus says: õGive, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap=because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.ö Our fundamental perspective on life, then, is one of abundance ó an abundance rooted in the ever generous, loving heart of God ó an abundance that must find its expression in every aspect of our lives.

I am convinced that this "Christmas attitude" is the answer to the challenges we encounter in both Church and society. As such, Christmas become our vocation. Christmas becomes our mission. Christmas becomes our salvation. Since, at Christmas, God has given completely of himself to teach us how to give "ó" and so to live.

At this time of year, therefore, let us thank God for all he has given us. Let us thank God especially for those who serve our Church and our country. Let us pray that they may have the spiritual gifts needed help to bring about our moral, spiritual and social development: our civil and religious leaders, our civil servants and private sector workers, farmers and fisher folk, educators and all who work for the common good. In that same spirit, may we all resolve to give to God the only thing that really matters to God "ó" our hearts.

In the loving heart of our God, I wish you a Merry Christmas and remain yours faithfully,

David +

Senior Warden Report: SHARE



By Beth Yocum

As we entered the Advent season we are focused on celebrating the coming of Jesus Christ. This season symbolizes a journey of us, as individuals, as we affirm Christ has come and he is present in our daily life. We are discovering a truth about God and the revelation of God in Christ. AND, then we have the goals as a congregation to affirm Christ is here and alive.

Our VISION 20/20 is still kicking and alive as we affirm this preparation to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

What can you do? Maybe it is to attend classes, volunteer to help at functions, be a committee member, or receive the Word to see what you do best.

In our educational classes this fall, Discovering Christ, in our final lesson we learned about why we are here as a church. We can come together to celebrate Christ's CELEBRATION of the arrival! We are here and alive at St. Luke's and we can continue to grow. I am reminded of this each time I step into the church and see those focused around me reaching out to our congregation, and the community.

So let us continue on this path and use this Advent season to reaffirm the arrival!

Discovering Christ

I want to thank Lauralee Gebhard and Deb Harris for all their help with the seven week course. Their help with setting up and working on the meals was invaluable. AND, also **THANK YOU** to all those who volunteer to make the salads and dessert. It was a truly exciting experience.

Christian Formation: *Christmas can transform us*

At St. Luke's we strive to grow in our relationship with God, both as individuals and as church. A key part of that growth is Christian education/Spiritual formation. Christian formation is a lifelong process of learning, developing and growing, which includes education for both children and adults. Christian Formation is actually more than merely a process of learning and acquiring knowledge or information. It involves forming us as disciples of Jesus Christ and equipping us to "do the work (he has) given us to do—to love and serve (God) as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord." (BCP 366) in our everyday lives.



At sundown on December 24, Advent ends and we begin the Christmas Season. We need to remember that Christmas is an entire season, not just one day! And contrary to the shopping mall mentality, the Christmas Season is just beginning Christmas Day - not ending. The word Christmas means the Feast (or Mass) of Christ. The Christmas Season continues from sundown Christmas Eve through the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

We are all familiar with the carol, *The Twelve Days of Christmas*.



But did you know that in singing this carol you are actually repeating a catechism of sorts? *The Twelve Days of Christmas* was used in the past to symbolically teach basic truths of the Christian faith.

My *true love* refers to God. *A partridge in a pear tree*

symbolizes Jesus, who died on the wood of a tree. Two *turtle doves* refer to the two sections of our Bible - the Hebrew Scriptures and the Christian Scriptures. The Christian virtues of faith, hope and love are represented by *three French hens*, while the four Gospels are symbolized by *four calling birds*. *Five golden rings* represent the Pentateuch (first five books of the Bible). The six days of creation are *six geese a-laying*. *Seven swans a-swimming* refer to the seven sacraments. The Beatitudes are symbolized by *eight maids a-milking*. The nine fruits of the Holy Spirit (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control) are *nine ladies dancing*. *Ten lords a-leaping* refer to the Ten Commandments. The eleven faithful apostles are *eleven pipers piping*, while the *twelve drummers drumming* refer to the twelve articles of faith in the Apostles' Creed! So when you are singing *The Twelve Days of Christmas* you are doing more than celebrating the season, you are proclaiming the basic truths we profess as disciples of Jesus!



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The Christmas Season at
St. Luke's
ADVENT

First Sunday in Advent—December 3

5:00 PM Saturday eveningô Vigil Eucharist
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite I (recited)
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite II (choral)
6 PM ô Advent Evensong
7 PM ô Messiah ô Part I

Second Sunday in Advent—December 10

5:00 PM Saturday eveningô Vigil Eucharist
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite I (recited)
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite II (choral)
3 PM ô Lebanon Choral Society Holiday Concert

Third Sunday in Advent—December 17

5:00 PM Saturday eveningô Vigil Eucharist
8:00 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite I (recited)
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite II (choral)
6 PM ô Eakin Trio ôHome for the Holidaysô

Wednesday December 20 7 PM
A Blue Christmas Worship

Fourth Sunday in Advent—December 24

5:00 PM Saturday eveningô Vigil Eucharist
only one service Sunday morning
10 AM Holy Eucharist ô Rite II (choral)

CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve—December 24th

5 PM Family Eucharist
7 PM Festal Eucharist
11 PM Solemn Eucharist ô ôMidnight Massô

Christmas Day – December 25th

10 AM Holy Eucharist

Sunday in Christmastide—December 31

8 AM ô Holy Eucharist
10:30 Service of Lesson & Carols

**Feasts of the Lord's Manifestation
January 7**

Epiphany & Baptism of the Lord

8 AM Holy Eucharist
10:30 AM Festal Eucharist

3 December 2017 6:00 PM

*Advent Evensong
Messiah—Part 1*

*featuring
The Festival Choir*

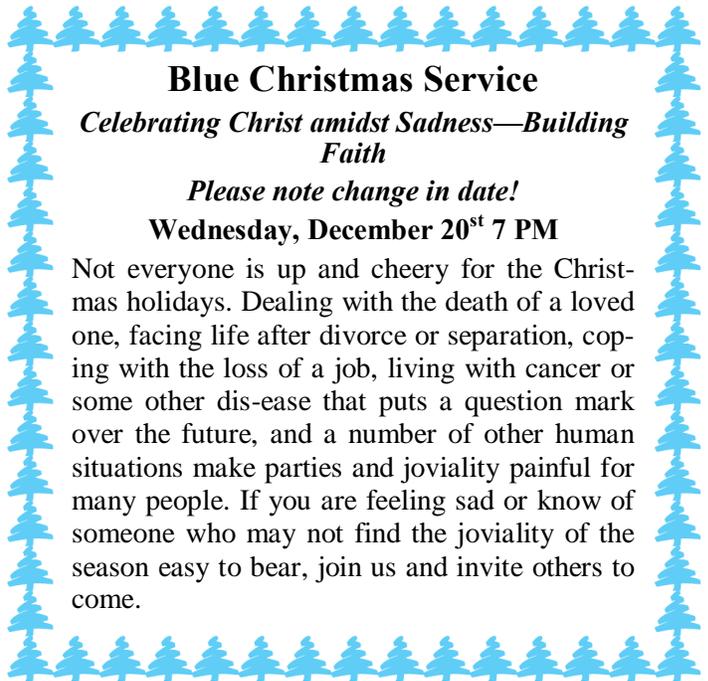
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EVENSONGS*

17 December 2017 6:00 PM

Home for the Holidays

*featuring
The Eakin Trio*

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Blue Christmas Service

*Celebrating Christ amidst Sadness—Building
Faith*

Please note change in date!

Wednesday, December 20st 7 PM

Not everyone is up and cheery for the Christmas holidays. Dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer or some other dis-ease that puts a question mark over the future, and a number of other human situations make parties and joviality painful for many people. If you are feeling sad or know of someone who may not find the joviality of the season easy to bear, join us and invite others to come.

**Please pray for our
Homebound: SHARE**

Frances Arthofer, Barbara Bross,
Joe Dowhower, Betty Gates, John ôPeteô Gates, Doris Kern, Grace Reich, Charles Wood, and Janet Zimnoch



**Greening of the Church:
SHARE**

by Sharon Weaver

Your help will be greatly appreciated in greening the church on Thursday, December 21 at 6:00 PM. This is a great way for you to help prepare the church for the Christmas services, we could use some extra help! Call Brian or Sharon Weaver with any questions. Their number is 273-3224.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Vestry Counter Tom Buzby Sanctuary Candle— Mrs Grace Cecil Eucharist Candle— Eden & Ernest Sigitian Cost of Candles—\$10.00 Cost of Flowers—\$30.00</p>						
<p>3 <i>Greens given by Lowell & Joan Miller, Sue Gates, Judy Binkley</i> 8:00 AM-Said Eucharist-Nave 9:15 AM-Adult Forum-Lng 10:00 AM-Sunday School 10:30 AM-Sung Eucharist-Nave 6:00 PM-Advent Evensong-Messiah featuring the Festival Choir</p>	<p>4 4:00 PM-Growth and Development-Lng 7:30 PM-Property Meeting-Lng</p>	<p>5 7:30 PM-Festival Choir</p>	<p>6 10:00 AM-Midweek Service -Chapel 7:30 PM-Choir</p>	<p>7 2:30 PM-Power Pack Dist.-FH</p>	<p>8 3:00 PM6 Tower Roast</p>	<p>9 8:00 AM-Menø6 Group-FH 5:00 PM-Vigil Eucharist-øRite IIIø- The Chapel of St. Mary (Lady Altar)</p>
<p>10 <i>Greens given by Altar Guild, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Reilly</i> 8:00 AM-Said Eucharist-Nave 9:15 AM-Adult Forum 10:30 AM-Sung Eucharist-Nave 3:00 PM-Lebanon County Choral Society Concert</p>	<p>11 9:00 AM-Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>12 6:30 PM-ECW Meeting-Covered Dish-In Loving Memory of Gloria Shirk 6:45 PM-Finance-Lng 7:30 PM-Festival Choir</p>	<p>13 10:00 AM-Midweek Service -Chapel 7:30 PM-Choir</p>	<p>14 2:30 PM-Power Pack Dist.-FH</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 5:00 PM-Vigil Eucharist-øRite IIIø- The Chapel of St. Mary (Lady Altar)</p>
<p>17 <i>Greens given by James & Helen Bowers</i> 8:00 AM-Said Eucharist-Nave 9:15 AM-Adult Forum 10:00 AM-Sunday School 10:30 AM-Sung Eucharist-Nave 6:00 PM-The Eaken Trio</p>	<p>18 7:00 PM-Vestry-Aud</p>	<p>19 7:30 PM-Festival Choir</p>	<p>20 8:30 AM-Mail Newsletters 10:00 AM-Midweek Service -Chapel 7:00 PM-Blue Christmas 7:30 PM-Choir</p>	<p>21 FREE NOON MEAL 2:30 PM-Power Pack Dist.-FH</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 5:00 PM-Vigil Eucharist-øRite IIIø- The Chapel of St. Mary (Lady Altar)</p>
<p>24 <i>Greens given by Emily Guilliams</i> <i>Flowers on The Chapel of St. Mary Altar by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Messics, Maggie Gross</i> 10:00 AM-Sung Eucharist 5:00 PM-Family Eucharist 7:00 PM-Festal Eucharist 11:00 PM-Solemn Eucharist øMidnight Massø 31 8:00 AM-Said Eucharist-Nave 9:15 AM-Adult Forum-Lng 10:30 AM-Lessons & Carols</p>	<p>25 10:00 AM-Holy Eucharist Church and Office Closed Rest of the Day </p>	<p>26 Church and Office Closed</p>	<p>27 10:00 AM-Midweek Service -Chapel 7:30 PM-Choir</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 :00 PM-Vigil Eucharist-øRite IIIø- The Chapel of St. Mary (Lady Altar)</p>

Liturgy and Life

Advent: A Season to Prepare and Connect

Advent and Christmas are for many, two of the favorite times of the year. The halls are increasingly decked with beautiful decorations and twinkling lights, and the holiday preparations indulge just about every one of our senses. Practically every week of Advent brings a new feast day or Holy Day. The feasts of St. Andrew (November 30, which by a quirk of the calendar precedes Advent this year), St. Nicholas (December 6), St. Lucy (December 13), and *Gaudete Sunday* (The 3rd Sunday of Advent) form many traditions in both church and home. Advent becomes a season to spend more time in quiet reflection even while we prepare to visit family and friends, and celebrate even more. In these ways, Advent can become prayer filled and increasingly joy-filled season.

Advent is a perfect time to increase our efforts to integrate our church and home life. Many families share traditions like an Advent/Christmas letter, a Christmas tree, the Advent wreath, and a home celebration to match the feasts and Holy Days observed by the Church. For example, some families have attempted a Jesse Tree. This involves either preparing felt ornaments or, allowing the children to color pictures of symbols that tell the story of our salvation as it is represented in characters of the Old and New Testaments. Each day (or couple of days when things get busy), members of the family read the pertinent Bible passage, and the family members take turns hanging their ornaments on a miniature Christmas tree. The readings lead us all the way from Adam and Eve to Jesus!

Some families have revived the tradition of becoming *ōKris Kringle* to other members of the family. Throughout Advent, each person secretly performs acts of sacrifice and love for the *ōChrist Child* whose name he or she has chosen. On Christmas morning, each person's Kris Kringle is revealed. Needless to say, this does not need to be restricted to one's immediate family and can be a wonderful way of connect members who are not continually present in our households.

Regardless of whether or not we follow such traditions, Advent provides a time for us to prepare ourselves to receive the ultimate gift of God's love *ó* God's own self in the person of Jesus Christ. This liturgical season provides a great antidote to the intense consumerism all around us that can sap our spirit, even as Christmas approached *ó* the day we celebrate God's ultimate gift of love. By entering this season in the spirit of the liturgy itself, we can see our way through to a true celebra-

Stewardship: Giving of our resources



Just as you get ready of Christmas, you might also be thinking about ways to lighten your tax burden for the year just

ending. An ideal way to reach this goal is to make a charitable gift donation to St. Luke's Episcopal Church. There are many ways to do this including: an outright one-time cash donation, a gift of stock or other securities, or the transfer of stock or mutual funds, to name a few. Please note that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requires that, in order to be tax deductible for 2017, cash, check or credit card contributions to St. Luke's Episcopal Church must be received by the Church or postmarked by the United States Postal Service no later than Thursday, December 31—this would include any prepayment of your 2018 pledge. The Treasurer is required to check the post office cancellation dates on all receipts in early January to ensure our legal compliance to this rule. In accordance with IRS guidelines, St. Luke's is not qualified to provide you with a specific value for non-cash contributions. In that case, your annual giving statement will not reflect a value for such a gift. Instead it will reflect only a description of your donation. Please note that because of increased year-end activity, transfers of stock often take longer than usual to transact. Again, St. Luke's is required to comply with all IRS guidelines in order to maintain our charitable tax status as delineated under the Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3). In any event, we suggest you contact your tax advisor for further information on how best to benefit both you and St. Luke's at this time of year.



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A BIG thank you...

And as we celebrate the arrival, I just want to **thank** the people of St. Luke's for their kind words and encouragement during my recovery. At the Bazaar I was reminded that even though I know you, I still have moments of *ō*not knowing you*ö* even though I see you each week. After a moment just remind me your name and that will trigger me. I know I don't talk as much (of course some would say differently) but still focusing on what is happening. I am ever reminded of why I come to St. Luke's **í** **THE PEOPLE!** You are truly special!



Outreach/Mercy Works: SERVE



HOPES (Helping Others by Providing Emergency Shelter)

By Jennifer Hackett

The HOPES (Helping Others by Providing Emergency Shelter) program of Lebanon provides short-term overnight shelter to individuals and families in need over the winter months. HOPES depends on local churches for sleeping space and volunteers to oversee the overnight shelter, and St. Luke's is proud to be a participating church again this year. We will be hosting the program from January 15 to 29, and our greatest need is for volunteers. The work is not difficult, and our interactions with the guests in past years have been very positive. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 3 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall, but attendance at the meeting is not required to be a volunteer. Please watch the weekly bulletin for more information about volunteer sign-ups as we get closer to January.

In addition to volunteers, we also need food and monetary donations so that we can offer an evening snack and a light breakfast to our guests. Granola bars, healthy cereals, graham crackers, goldfish crackers, and bottled water are all appreciated. As you do your holiday shopping, please consider picking up some snacks for our HOPES guests. During the weeks we are hosting HOPES, our volunteers will purchase milk, juice, and fresh fruit as needed. Food donations should be marked "HOPES" and left in the church kitchen, while monetary donations should be sent to the parish office, with "HOPES" in the check's subject line.

If you have any questions, please contact Jen Hackett at 717-838-1028 or Soon Slayman at 717-838-9612. Thank you so much for your support of this vital ministry in our community.

Pastoral Care—Thoughts on how to bring the spirit of Christmas home.

By Soon Slayman

As a Christmas gift idea, I suggest The Grand Rapids Chorus of Men and Boys CD titled Heaven Comes to Earth - Music of Comfort and Joy which takes listeners through the entire year with familiar and beautiful hymns found at: <http://grcmb.org/program/listentothechoircds.html>. for \$15 + shipping.

In addition, if you are skillful, you can spend a peaceful hour during the holidays with a friend watching the YouTube recording of the choral parts of the Festival of 9 Lessons and Carols recorded in the Cathedral of St. Anthony in Grand Rapids Michigan. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spQpXoGCHnw>

I pray that each of us is able to focus on Peace this season and to pass that spirit on to all we touch.

Angel Tree Project

By Sue Kilmoyer

I have been in contact with the school counselor at Harding Elementary School and informed her that I will again provide Christmas gifts to families at Harding. As in the past, each child will receive a clothing gift and a toy gift. If you

took a name tag, do not forget to sign the appropriate clipboard. There is one for toys and another one for clothing. Please do not spend more than \$200.00 on the gift. All gifts need to be brought to the church by Sunday, December 10. They can be placed in the Sanctuary or the Parish Office. Thank you!

Lebanon County Christian Ministries Donations

The item from the LCCM wish list for
December is Canned Soup—Tomato, Chicken Rice, Vegetable, Chicken Noodle, etc.

Parish Directory

By Parish Office

We will be working on the 2018 Directory and we are asking all members who have changed addresses, phone numbers, or email addresses to please hand in, email or call in the new information even if you are not sure that you already gave the information. It is greatly appreciated, thank you and God bless.

Bazaar News: SHARE

By Soon Slayman



As of this writing, the Auditorium has been transformed into the market place for our creativity, hard work, and generosity. Wiley and his team have planned the menu for the Cafe and there is organ music scheduled for the Open House.

Great thanks for all the hard work by everyone involved who helped make the bazaar a great success! The thanks go far beyond the ECW, the technical sponsors of the Bazaar. It is a fact that entire families are drawn into helping—friends of our parish donate materials and skills—parishioners make special efforts to attend including Melinda Rose Lied who is again traveling from Georgia to help—co-workers of volunteers help at their work places including offices, schools and shops where St. Luke's volunteers work. I believe that in every case it is a win-win outcome from the satisfaction and fellowship enjoyed by all. I ask that each one of you reading this message accept this "Thank you!" and I ask that you pass on our thanks to those who have helped you.

Hypertufa Millstone Raffle Winner

Congratulations Emily Guilliams

Craftnooner Thank You

By Laurie Daub

A shout out and heart felt thank you! to the St. Luke's "craftnooners" - AND those who crafted at home and donated to the cause! Our booth looked "Christmassy" magical! And we had wonderful creative and quality made items to offer to our patrons. Well done everyone! Reminder: our last session of the year will be Weds., November, 28th at 12 noon for our wrap up! See you then!



Preliminary Total for Bazaar Day and the Sunday After without Expenses Added In

\$8748.45

ECW News: SHARE

By Eileen Sidelnick



The December Meeting of the Episcopal Church Women is dedicated to the memory of Gloria Shirk, a faithful member of St. Luke's and active member of ECW. We will meet on Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a Holiday Covered Dish and program *Twelve the Night Before Christmas*. All women of the church are invited to attend and bring a favorite covered dish or dessert.

Christmas Stocking Project

THANK YOU to everyone who donated towards our stocking project. We compiled 125 stockings and they will be delivered to nursing homes, etc. in our area. They are much appreciated by those receiving the stockings.

That's My Pan! Fundraiser

By Sue Dreibelbis

Help raise money for St. Luke's Episcopal Church Women (ECW), the money goes to helping great causes such as helping the war torn Kajo Keji victims and many other community causes, thank you and God bless. To place an order go to <http://thatsmypan.biz/ecwlebanon>. To order for Christmas, you must have it in by December 11 to receive in time.

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10 December 2017 3:00 PM
Lebanon County Choral
Society Concert

Lebanon County Choral Society News

By Shawn Hackett

The Lebanon County Choral Society presents its winter program, entitled *Rutter Gloria*. The concert will feature John Rutter's miniature classic as well as several of Rutter's other carols and Christmas anthems, in addition to other settings of the "Gloria" text, ranging from Pergiolesi's 18th-century anthem for double choir to contemporary settings. The Youth Chorus will perform another setting of "Gloria" and carols from a variety of cultures.

The Choral Society has always had a close relationship with St. Luke's. Several parishioners (including Terry Heisey) sing with the choir or have in the past, and Sean Hackett is the artistic director.

Tickets are available in advance for \$12, and at the door for \$15. Student tickets are \$3. Refreshments will be offered at a reception following the concert.

Christmas Flowers and Decorations

By Parish Office

The money given in the Christmas Flower Envelope, which is located in your box of envelopes, will be used to purchase all poinsettias, Christmas trees and greens used to decorate the Church. Donations toward these items should be placed in the Christmas Flower Envelope. If you didn't get envelopes and want to contribute toward the purchase of the decorations, put your donation in an envelope, mark it Christmas Flowers and place it in the offering plate.

Poinsettia Flower Deadline

Monday, December 4th at 9:00 AM



Advent Donation Envelopes

By Parish Office

We are again enclosing an Advent envelope, this is an extra envelope that is not included in the box of offering envelopes and replace the \$0.25 folders from year's past. As you have done in the past, save your quarters daily. The quarter folders totaled \$10.00, a check or cash for that amount would be greatly appreciated. An envelope for you to hand in your donation is enclosed.

Organ Donation Request: CONNECT

By Terry Heisey



Our 1978 organ has recently had some repairs due to its aging and usage, amounting to about \$3,000 so we are asking anyone who would like to contribute to please use the organ donation envelope, which can be found in your offering envelope box, to donate, either by placing it in the offering plate or dropping it off at the office. Your donations are greatly appreciated and thank you very much, God bless each of you.

Altar Flowers and Candles: CONNECT

By Terry Heisey



We are in the process of updating the flower and candle lists, please contact the parish office if you want your name to remain on as a benefactor, if you would like your name removed or if you would like to purchase flowers as there are openings for special occasions such as thanksgiving or in memory of or for a wedding anniversary.

As a reminder to all those who purchase the altar flowers on Sunday, please check the monthly newsletter to see if you are scheduled to give flowers during the month, when your name appears this is your reminder that payment of \$30.00 per Sunday is due to the Altar Guild. Make check payable to the Altar Guild. Either place your check in the offering plate or mail it to the Parish Office at 22 S 6th Street, Lebanon PA 17042.

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