

Porter United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 30, 2018

CHIMES WITH BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF LOVE

PRELUDE *Anna Kalbe*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP *Sandy Allmon*
Brief Announcements

POSITIVE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK (In Unison) *Sandy Allmon*
"Our hope is not in the New Year...but in the One who makes all things new."

***OPENING HYMN** *UMH #238*
"Angels We Have Heard on High"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *Sandy Allmon*

L: Praise God! Praise the Lord, all creation!

C: Stars glittering with grace, humpback whales singing of hope:

L: Praise God! Praise the Lord, all you people!

C: 12-year-olds, and 80 plus, the wise and those learning to walk: all praise our God!

L: Praise God! Praise the Lord, in every moment, in every place!

ALL: In church, or relaxing at home; in a class and at the doctor's office: we will praise our God!

***CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (In Unison)** *Sandy Allmon*
You set boundaries for us, Holy God, yet we continue to cross over them into sin. Believing we are wiser than You, we are amazed that You would question our actions and lives. Offering us the warm sweater knitted from Your love, we would rather slip our lives into the sleeves of bitterness and anger. Challenging us to carry one another's burdens, we complain about how uncomfortable and heavy they are.

Forgive us, Searching God, and clothe us with Your gifts of compassion, humility, patience, and hope. Then, dressed as Your grateful people, may we go forth to live as sisters and brothers of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. In His name we pray, Amen.

followed by "GLORIA PATRI" *UMH #70*

PASSING THE PEACE: "Meet & Greet" *All*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *Rev. Pamela Thiede*

RESPONSIVE READING *Sandy Allmon*
Psalm 148 *UMH #861*

RECEIVING JOYS AND CONCERNS *Rev. Pamela Thiede*

PASTORAL PRAYER
followed by The Lord's Prayer

WORSHIP OF GIVING: Tithes, Offerings & Gifts *All*
*"God of Wonders" *** *Screen*
*followed by "The Doxology" ** *Screen*

EPISTLE READING *Sandy Allmon*
Colossians 3:12 - 17

SERMON: Luke 2:41 - 52 *Rev. Pamela Thiede*

***CLOSING HYMN** *UMH #246*
"Joy to the World"

- Closing Words & Benediction -

CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING *All*
*"Grace, Love and Fellowship" ***

Indicates **STANDING if you are able.*

*** Video Presentation*

Office Hours

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This Week's Schedule

Sunday, 30	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	10:15 AM	Worship
Tuesday, 1		OFFICE CLOSED - NEW YEAR
Wednesday, 2	8:00 PM	AA Meeting
Saturday, 5	7:00 PM	Models Club

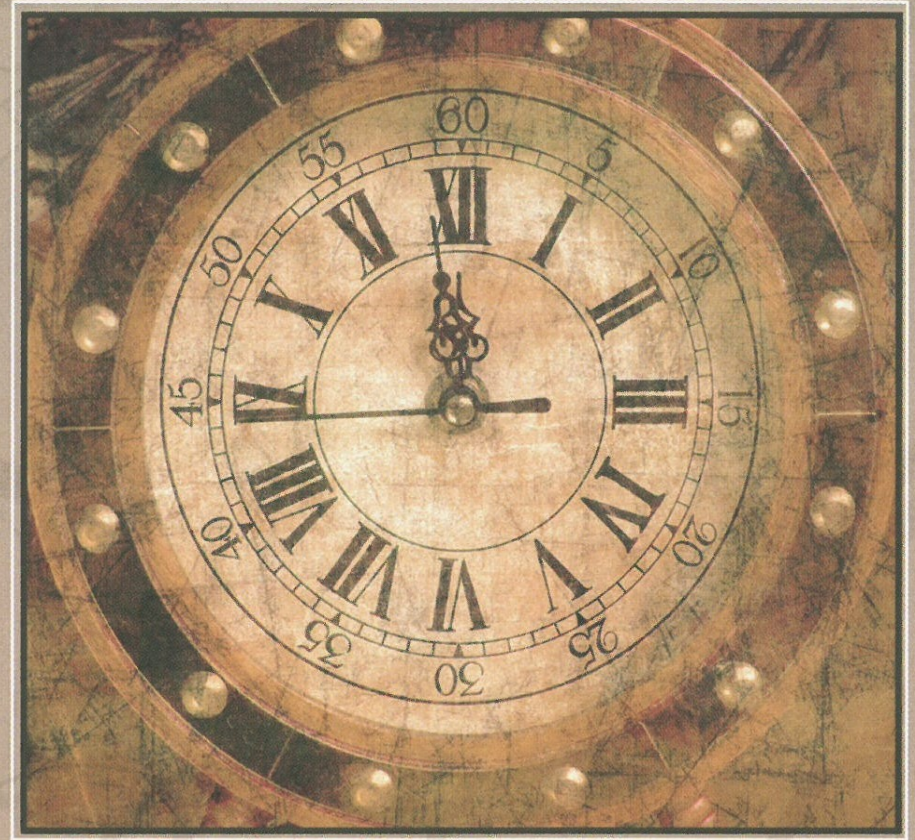
Upcoming Schedule

Sunday, 6	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	10:15 AM	Worship
Wednesday, 9	8:00 PM	AA Meeting

FINANCIAL SUMMARY, WEEK OF DECEMBER 23-24, 2018

2018 Non-discretionary Budget:	\$ 62,761.00
2018 Total Budget Offering (through October)	\$ 42,382.45
Weekly giving required to meet this projection:	\$ 1,206.94
December 23 rd /24 th budget offering:	\$ 628.00
On-Line offering for week:	\$ 55.00
Budget giving surplus (deficit) for the week:	\$ (523.94)
December 23rd/24th Debt Reduction offering:	\$ 50.00
Budget surplus (deficit) after debt reduction:	\$ (473.94)

We thank you for your continued support in helping us meet our budget and for your ongoing commitment to the work of Jesus Christ through Porter UMC!



Behold, all things
are become new

2 Corinthians 5:17

Prayer Requests

Joys:

Thankful for the gift of Jesus.

Recent Prayer Requests:

Judy Reales - health issues

Tony Reales - calmness during Judy's testing

Chris (Dollie's husband) - hospitalized

Fern Duvall - health

Giovanti - 4 year old who has an immune deficiency & is also lacking clotting agents in blood; might need kidney transplant

Carolyn Coslet

Jeanette Burton - is having vertigo with the rocking again

JoAnn Burton (Judy Reales' mom)

Kim Allmon - prayers for a good biopsy outcome

Joyce Miller - numerous health issues

Our church.

Les Babcock, William Kuhns, Judy Hoffman - health issues

Continue Prayers for:

Brenda Brueckheimer

Food Pantry is in need of monies and prayers.

Will (nephew of Jim Frieske) - cancer

Trisha Olsen (friend of Brenda B.) - colon cancer

Keenan Bush - stationed in Hawaii

Sharon (friend of Brenda Brueckheimer) - battling cancer

Tim Bower (Brenda B's brother-in-law) - non-Hodgkins

Judy Hoffman's son-in-law **Matthew** - undergoing chemo

Ministry Partners & Organizations

Frontline Foundations; Duneland Medical Loan Closet; Yost; Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry; Duneland Resale; Westchester Meals; VNA Phoenix Center; RFKC; Boy Scout Troop 928; TrueNorth

Announcements

ALTAR FLOWERS

The new flower chart is up on the board in the Narthex. Please stop by the chart to sign up for important dates in 2019.

WESTCHESTER NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY

Today's the last day we will be collecting boxes of cold cereal. **Beginning with the New Year, we have been asked to collect bottles of liquid dish soap.** As always, thank you so much for your continued giving throughout the year!

QUARTERLY CHILDREN'S MISSION: VNA PHOENIX CENTER

This is it! TODAY is the last day to give to the children's quarterly mission of the **VNA Phoenix Center**, a place where children and young adults who have lost someone in their lives and who need help processing their grief can go for support.

QUARTERLY MISSION: FRONTLINE

You still have time left in the year to support **Frontline Foundations**, our last quarterly mission of 2018. Their goal is to serve as a source of hope to young men and women suffering from drug and alcohol abuse while also providing an effective treatment and recovery support system.

MITTEN TREE ITEMS NEEDED

We are running out of time to gather winter accessories to fill our sanctuary mitten tree! We are looking for hats, scarves, mittens, children's socks and underwear. This will benefit local families in need from Yost as well as families served by the Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry. As always, we thank you for giving towards families in need throughout the year.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you would like to have offering envelopes printed up for 2019's giving, please let Kim know. **She will only make envelopes for those requesting them, as they are done in-house.** Contact her by calling 926-1586 or by emailing porterumchurch@gmail.com. If you're on our email list, you have already been asked, so you can just reply back to that email.