



# Quakertown United Methodist Church

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December 2016

## Gifts for Jesus



The Thursday afternoon Life Group is currently using a study called “Christmas Is Not Your Birthday.”

Christmas, in our culture, pretty much revolves around gifts - for each other. We give them. We expect - and hope - to get them. Too often the one whose birthday it is doesn't receive the gifts.

We may excuse the oversight by saying that Jesus already has everything, so what gifts could we give? The answer, of course, is: ourselves.

How do we do that? First we give ourselves by receiving God's great gift of forgiveness of our sins through Christ's giving of himself on the cross. But that's just the beginning. We must continue to give ourselves in tangible ways.

A few years ago someone posed this question: If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you? The evidence can be found in your life. And each piece of evidence becomes your gift to Jesus.

1. Your worship and praise.
2. An unfailing attitude of gratitude.
3. Your service to others, which Jesus assures us is service to him.
4. The practice of civility and graciousness in all circumstances. There hasn't been much civility or graciousness in our country lately. When someone asked the late conservative Justice of the Supreme Court Antonin Scalia how he could be such a close friend of liberal Justice Ruth Beder Ginsberg, with whom he almost always disagreed, he replied, “I attack ideas. I don't attack people.”

These are just some suggested gifts to Jesus, whose birthday it is. What would you add to the list?

M.B.S.



# The Refugee

## By the Rev. Dr. Thomas S. Robinson

He was a refugee. A tyrant leader wanted him dead. His parents feared for their child's life. And so they fled from their home and family and went to a foreign land to survive. There they lived for the next two years until it was deemed safe for them to return to their home.

This sounds like a story ripped out of our headlines today. But this was over 2,000 years ago. It was the beginning of Jesus' story. Herod the king feared a new ruler had been born to usurp his position, so he went after this child, killing every 2 year old child and younger in the prophesied village of Bethlehem in an attempt kill Jesus. But Jesus had been spirited away to Egypt by Joseph and Mary where they would live among their southern neighbors until God gave them the signal to return.



Our ancestors of faith were often refugees fleeing persecution from armies and their kings who sought greater power and more land. The Lord God spoke to His people:

**“For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.”**  
(Deuteronomy 10:17-19 NRSV).

Perhaps Jesus, recalling this period in his people's history, and his own flight to Egypt, made a point of including the stranger in his parable of the sheep and goats:

**“Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me...”** (Matthew 25:34-35 NRSV).

Today we face a dilemma. Millions of people in those ancient biblical lands are fleeing from an enemy that seeks their death simply for the reason that they do not worship the same way as they believe, and they do not hold to the same fundamentalist views of their faith. Jesus' parable does not ask his followers to feed and clothe and welcome only the person who is like you in your faith. He says the “stranger”...the one who you do not know anything about, except she or he is in need.

As we celebrate Christmas this year, remember that the first Christmas was one of danger and fear, but the angels' message was the same as God's message always is: **“Be not afraid.”**

In God's grace,

*Patricia Tony*





# Sermon Plans

Date	Gospel	Title and Point of Message
December 18, 2016  Advent IV	Matthew 1:18-25	<p><b>All is Calm, All is Bright</b></p> <p>Joseph is asked to take on a great responsibility: nurture the divine Child of God. Is that really any different than what we are all asked to do?</p>
December 24, 2016  Christmas Eve	Luke 2:1-20	<p><b>Keep Lighting Candles</b></p> <p>A candle's light has the power to illuminate what is hiding in the dark. The more we light, the less that can frighten us.</p>
December 25, 2016  Christmas Day		<p><b>Does Jesus Still Make Any Difference?</b></p>
January 1, 2017  New Year's Day  Communion	John 5:2-9	<p><b>Everything Must Eventually Come to a Beginning</b></p>
January 8, 2017  Epiphany Sunday	Luke 6:17-23	<p><b>Series: Embracing the Power of Vulnerability</b></p> <p><b>"Breaking Free from the 'Never Enough' Culture"</b></p>



**Following are the minutes from Annual Church Conference, held at QUMC on Saturday, November 19:**

QUMC Annual Church Conference - Saturday, November 19, 2016

In Attendance: Liz Cole, Patty Wensel, Gail Schadler, Phyllis McKinley, Allison Ghorm, Bill Wilson, Ed Pertuit, Carol Pertuit, Norma Lillie, Laura Lillie, Wendy Smakulski, Bonnie Cornelius, John Cornelius, Dave Reynolds, Debbie Reynolds, Adele Winkler, Tammy Swearingen, Bill Scott, Ken McKinley, Doug Wilson, Dennis Pfleiger, Ken Ghorm, Jim Swearingen, Bill Diller, Gale Hewitt, Melea Rupert, Janet Finch, Steve Finch, Natalie Finch, Barb Kukowski, Carolyn Blackstone, Dr. Irving Cotto, Pastor Tom Robinson

Pastor Tom Robinson welcomed everyone to the QUMC Annual Church Conference and introduced Dr. Irving Cotto, District Superintendent.

Dr. Cotto greeted everyone and referred to the annual meeting as Holy Conference, a time of celebration of witness to what God is doing in this congregation. He asked that we trust in God that the best is yet to come. Dr. Cotto believes QUMC is in a good place and is ready to move forward. A special guest is present today; Carolyn Blackstone of Asbury UMC will share information about camping ministries

Dr. Cotto opened with prayer, sharing scripture from Romans 8, beginning with verse 14. The United Methodist denomination is going through a time of self-examination as we look at many issues. We hope and pray to look forward, remaining unified. Dr. Cotto reminded us to love our neighbors and to love God. We need to remember the foundations and basis of our denomination. Congregations need to focus on "why?", our purpose as United Methodists. Dr. Cotto shared a brief history of the United Methodist Church, asking that we look at our original purpose and traditions. He reminded us of the power of the Holy Spirit within us and our witness to the Spirit. Dr. Cotto also asked that we share the good news of Jesus and that we allow the presence of the Holy Spirit to work within us. As Christians, we are the family of God with a rich spiritual heritage. Dr. Cotto closed with prayer.

Pastor Robinson shared his State of the Church Report. He continues to learn the ropes at QUMC and noted there is a lot happening. He asked that those in attendance share their thankfulness and thoughts on church activity in the past year.

- Ken Ghorm spoke of the Confirmation Classes and Retreat.
- Janet Finch is appreciative that the church stepped up to offer a confirmation program.
- Phyllis McKinley finds the Life Groups to be beneficial and appreciates Tom's weekly message/sermon.
- Barb Kukowski spoke of the incredible VBS program.
- Gail Schadler is thankful for the Christian Ed program, offering both children and adult programs.
- Tammy Swearingen is thankful for the Sunday School teachers.
- Debbie Reynolds is pleased with the success of the Midweek Fellowship Dinners. She is also happy to have a new Music Director who brings out the best in the Chancel Choir.
- Jim Swearingen is appreciative for the multiple worship opportunities.

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- Gale Hewitt celebrates the growth of the Praise Band, including new people and new talent. She also was thankful to attend Annual Conference and to meet so many others of the faith.
- Bonnie Cornelius recognized the Missions team, the heart and soul of the United Methodist Church.

Candidate for Ministry Natalie Finch was introduced. Natalie appreciates the support of QUMC. Her focus has changed and she is now teaching high school, has moved, and is engaged to be married. Natalie is challenged by her teaching career, seeing similarities to the challenges of being a Pastor. She continues to discern her future in ministry. At this time, Natalie feels her ministry is supporting and caring for her students. She appreciates the work of United Methodist Women (UMW), particularly on behalf of children, and she enjoyed preaching at QUMC this summer. Presently, Natalie is looking for a church in Southern Maryland. In 2005, she was approved at QUMC as a Declared Candidate. Tom offered to work with Natalie on behalf of DCOM. Natalie is still a member of QUMC.

Dr. Cotto noted that action was needed for Natalie Finch to remain as a Candidate for Ministry, sponsored by QUMC. The motion was made and passed.

Pastor Robinson presented the Membership Audit, prepared by Liz Cole, Membership Secretary. Tom explained the criteria in detail and the list was shared. Those on the second reading list were proposed to be removed from the church roll.

Dr. Cotto noted that action was needed for those on the second reading list to be removed from the church roll. The motion was made and passed.

Pastor Robinson presented on behalf of the Committee on Lay Leadership. He shared with those in attendance his system of nominating people, which served him well at his former church. The result/ ballot sheet was distributed to those in attendance and all were asked to vote to those to fill vacant positions. Tom detailed the specific needs of each committee and of the church as a whole, including vacancies that need to be filled. Ken Ghorm volunteered to be Recording Secretary of Church Council. Ballot sheets were collected by Patty Wensel and Allison Ghorm, who left the room to perform a tally.

Carolyn Blackstone of Asbury UMC spoke of the importance of United Methodist camping programs. Michael & Kristen Hyde of QUMC are now ministering at Camp Innabah. QUMC has not promoted United Methodist camp in many years and there is no camp rep at the church. Tom has been involved in camping ministry. Carolyn noted that being outdoors is critical to wellbeing. She detailed a three-step platform for church-related camp:

- Encourage United Methodist camping experiences. There are scholarship monies available to those wishing to participate.
- Staffing of camps by young adults provides formation of their faith.
- Volunteering provides an opportunity to change lives.

Carolyn stated that each Pastor is given a full week of paid leave to contribute to the camping ministry. She asked the congregation of QUMC to encourage young people, as well as the Pastor, to participate in UM camping. She highlighted the benefits of using the camps for an all-church retreat.



Pastor Robinson presented the results of the Lay Leadership Report ballot. Terms begin January 1, 2017. Elected persons, as well as those not elected, will be notified by mail. The results were as follows:

SPRC	Class of 2017, Bill Diller
	Class of 2019, Dave Reynolds, Bill Tascarella, Adele Winkler
Board of Trustees	Class of 2019, Chris Aber, Laura Lillie, Ed Wilson
Finance	Class of 2020, Debbie Umstead
Lay Leadership (Nominations)	Class of 2017, Paula Kent
	Class of 2018, Gail Schadler
	Class of 2019, Doug Wilson, Donna Ames, Jane Korpics
Church Council	Recording Secretary, Ken Ghorm
	Youth Rep, Graham Wilson

On behalf of SPRC, Dennis Pfeleger presented the total compensation package for the Pastor for 2017. The amount is \$80,450 with a 2% increase in June 2017.

Dr. Cotto noted that action was needed to approve the compensation for the Pastor for 2017. The motion was made and passed.

On behalf of Finance, John Cornelius presented. Commitment Sunday was November 13 and as of yet, all the numbers are not yet in. John highlighted the 2017 budget, noting a 14.1% increase of just over \$39,000. He said the primary reason for the budget increase is the mid-year hiring of an Associate Pastor, as well as the additional cost of the new Music Director. John noted that conference fees went up 14.1%. To provide clarification to where contributions go, John provided a simple breakdown as follows: For every \$1 given, 22¢ goes to the building expenses, 58¢ goes to salaries, 10¢ goes to the conference, 4¢ goes to administration, 6¢ covers everything else.

Dr. Cotto explained the premise of Connectional Ministries and how the churches help each other financially. He noted that the Conference is going through some significant financial challenges. He also informed the group that on April 29, 2017, there will be a Tools for Ministry leadership training event and he hopes many church leaders will be able to attend.

Pastor Robinson closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Hafler, Church Secretary

*“For as in one body we have many members,  
and not all the members have the same function,  
so we, who are many, are one body in Christ,  
and individually we are members one of another.”*

*Romans 12:4-5*





# Opportunities To Be In Mission



- FEAST Food Pantry: Items for December are baking supplies, such as flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, vanilla, etc. Put donations into the grocery cart inside the church entrance doors.
- Giving Tree: Share Christmas with children in Kensington, a section of Philadelphia. A Christmas tree in the narthex will be decorated with children's names and ages. Select one or more, purchase a gift (not necessarily what appears with the name), wrap it and put it under the tree. Affix the paper ornament as a gift tag to the package. Do not add bows or other decorations that could fall off. Please put your name on the list next to the tree, and check it off when you bring in the gift.
- Jerusalem House: Thank you to all who donated turkeys and side dishes for the people of inner-city Allentown, who are ministered to by Jerusalem House. (See excerpts from their latest letter on pages 9 and 10 of this newsletter.)



## Commitment Reminder

If you were unable to turn in your 2017 stewardship commitment card on Sunday, November 13, please do so at any of the next few worship services. Having the commitment numbers is very helpful to the stewardship and finance committees so they can make plans for next year.

Important: Bob and Anna Mushrush, financial secretaries, are the only ones who see the names on the cards. They have served in this role for years and have never broken confidentiality. They are the ones who send you your quarterly statements, which help you in keeping your own records and give you documentation if you itemize donations on your income tax forms.

## Deck the Halls



Everyone is invited to come out on Saturday, December 3, at 10:00 a.m. to decorate the church for Advent and Christmas. You don't have to be artistic, just willing.



# Holiday Worship Schedule

## Christmas Eve Worship

5:00 p.m. Family Service  
7:30 p.m. Service of Lessons & Carols  
11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion

## Christmas and New Year's Days Schedule

One service at 9:00. No Sunday School.



## ***Festival Worship***

One service, featuring the Children's Christmas Pageant, Sunday, December 18, 9:00 a.m. Please note change in time. Sunday School at 10:00.

# Confirmation and Adult Membership



Confirmation Classes begin with an introductory meeting on Sunday, January 15, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., and will continue through May on Sunday evenings from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. with a few exceptions.

Spring Adult New Member Classes will begin Sunday, April 30, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Contact Pastor Tom ([pastor@qumc.com](mailto:pastor@qumc.com) or 215.536.4992) for more information.



# Thank You!

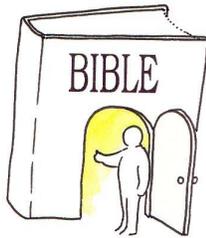
Much appreciation to the youth and their adult leaders for the wonderful job they did raking leaves for some of us older folks! It was cold and windy, but they didn't let that slow them down. They've set an example of selfless service that we should all follow.



## Communication is Key!



If you, or your group, are organizing an event at church and would like to include it on the church website and/or church Facebook page, please email event information to [communications@qumc.com](mailto:communications@qumc.com). Include in your email relevant information, including time, date, and time period you want it to run. Info for the newsletter should be put in Mary Schwer's box in the office.



## Thursday Life Groups

Do you believe God speaks to you in dreams? This Advent season, the Bread for the Journey Life Group explores "Advent Dreams," an Advent study developed by Hopewell United Methodist Church pastors. The study is based on narratives from Matthew. The group will look at dreams that offer divine guidance, warnings of danger, or a challenge to try something new. Come for the last three sessions, Thursdays, December 1, December 8, and December 15, 2:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Bring your Bible and join us for study, light refreshment, and fellowship.

Another Life Group meets on Thursdays at 2:15 at the home of Mary Schwer (222 Tohickon Avenue). The group is currently using a video series, "Christmas Is Not Your Birthday," by Mike Slaughter. It encourages us to experience a different kind of Christmas, one that focuses on the joy of living and giving like Jesus.

Beginning Thursday, January 5, the topic will be "The Me I Want to Be," using a video by John Ortberg.

## QNB Stock Offering



The Trustees will be selling QNB stock to fund a portion of the remodeling of the women's restroom by Miller Hall. As of September 30, we had 354 shares. We know there has been some interest in this stock so we would like to offer it to members and friends of the church first. If anyone is interested in purchasing any shares at market value (as of the date of agreement) and taking care of any expenses associated with the sale, please contact Laura Lillie ([lalillie@verizon.net](mailto:lalillie@verizon.net) or 215.529.1059). The deadline for contact is December 16.



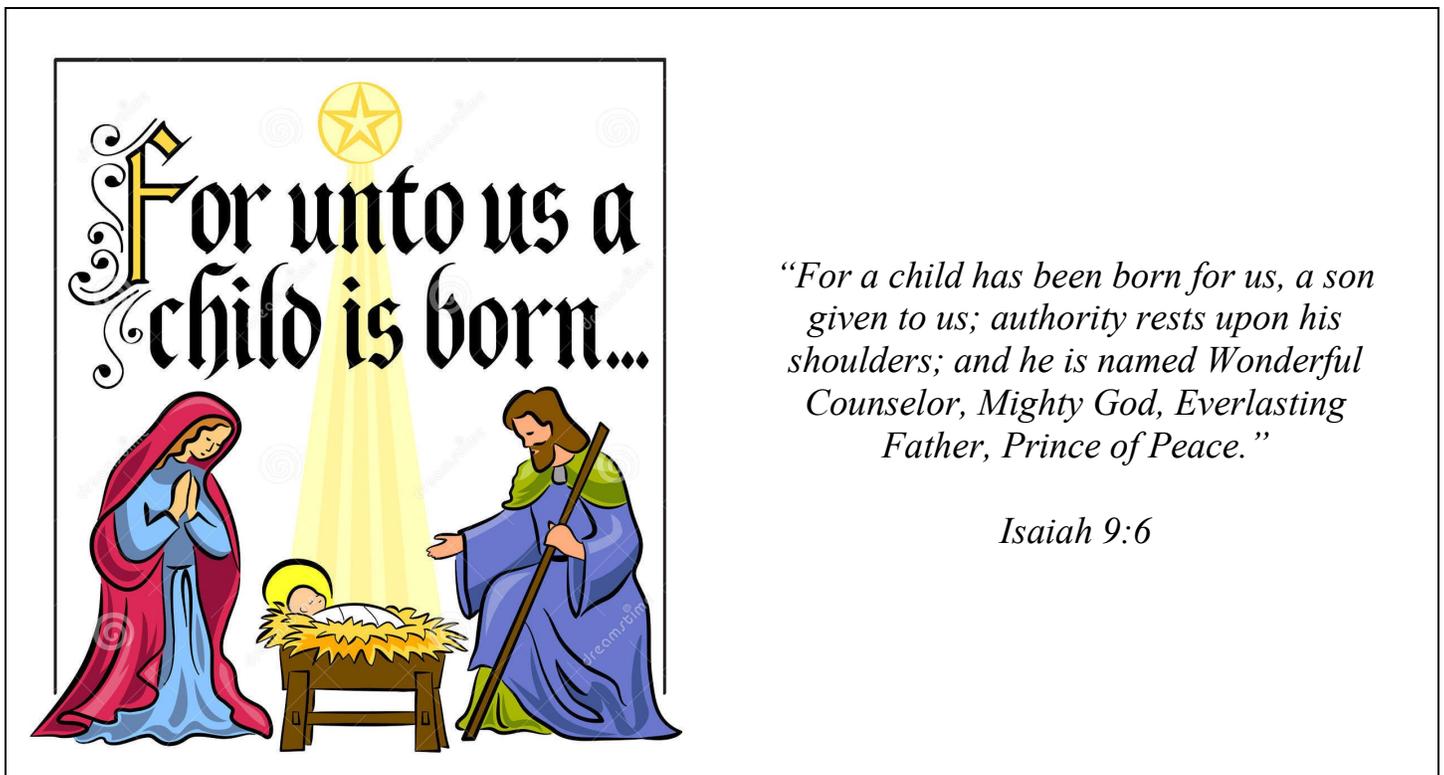
## 2016 Education Endowment Grants

Over the past few years, several of our members have left bequests to the church in their wills. Some people specified that their money be used for facility needs and some for the continuing ministry within the church. In order to ensure that the church has the use of these funds for future needs, we established an Endowment Fund to manage some of the non-specified or unallocated funds.

To keep the fund growing, we reinvest 30% of the income back into the Fund. 70% of the income is used to provide grants to qualified students who pursue formal education beyond high school.

The following grants were distributed on Thanksgiving Sunday, November 27: Andrea Aber, Aaron Besch, Madison Bucior, Matt Cornelius, Kim Ghorm, Amanda Hafler, Abbie Miller, Blake Miller, Charlie Miller, Courtney Smith, Allie Sterner, Jen Sterner, Aislinn Strohecker, Emily Sullivan, Nicole Umstead, Adam Whittaker, Tyler Whittaker.

Once the applicant has met the criteria, the grants do not have to be paid back. Donations can be made to the Endowment Fund at any time to help this ministry grow. "Planned giving" in one's estate is one way, but you may give a gift at any time or make an ongoing gift by including "Education Endowment" in the memo portion of your check or on your envelope.





Jerusalem House is one of the ministries QUMC helps.

Dear Friends and Supporters,

A Morning Call report on a 5-year study from a Washington think tank, revealed that in our zip code, 18102:

- over half of our neighbors, age 16 and above, have not been employed for at least the past 5 years.
- the percentage of our neighbors without a high school degree was 31% during this same 5 years.
- the poverty rate was 37%, or 23% higher, than the state average.
- as a community, we earned a 97.6 distress score on the report's 0-100 scale.

This means that over half of the adults in our neighborhood live in great poverty and close to half failed to graduate from high school. Being only undereducated and not blind, they see this harsh reality daily in 6 out of every 10 of their neighbors. Hopelessness is therefore pervasive, successful role models are scarce, and to survive far too many believe that they must become involved in marginal activities and dangerous relationships. Physical and mental illness, drug and alcohol addiction, criminal records, and sexual immorality are all accepted as the norm here and the few that can escape this reality do so, and never look back.

Over 200 of these children and their families attended our back to school cook-out and received a new book bag and school supplies; new school uniform shirts, blouses, sweaters, and shoes; groceries for their families; and Pampers for their siblings, grandparents, and incontinent relatives. Everything was provided and distributed by churches, businesses, families, and other who support us. Few sights can compare with that of seeing joy and gratitude take hold of a child whose life is firmly in the grips of poverty. Their non-future has been firmly burnt into their hearts and minds repeatedly. The limited provisions we give them only allows us a limited window to initiate change in their lives, which to many seems an impossible task. We are waging battles requiring David-like faith against Goliath-like enemies, and often the victory is only a momentary hope, a temporary solution. But the David meets Goliath result is a vision we have for everyone we minister to at Jerusalem House Ministries.

As you know, 2000 years ago God gave the foolish, weak and despised ones of the world the ability to change their lives through faith in His Son, Jesus Christ. Continuous devotion to God's Word, church fellowship, Christ-centered worship, prayer, giving and sharing with the needy, and good works, were initiated by God as divine measure to impact the lives of the marginal of that day. Today, people caught in poverty often fail to see merit in such disciplines. That is unfortunate because God used these disciplines to change my own and other lives from impoverished and marginal backgrounds. It took me many years to come to God and embrace His Way and during that time He used others to provide for my daily needs, just as He uses Jerusalem House now to provide for others' daily needs. When I was ready to change, He used a local church to take me to the next level of practicing these disciplines, and today He uses the Church at Jerusalem House to take our neighbors to that next level.

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The coming “holiday season” is a strategic time to make sure steps are taken and necessities for life and dignity are met. Feeling that you have nothing to give thanks for at Thanksgiving or being unable to “give your children Christmas” in the way society heavily promotes it can make this season very depressing. So we simply gather food, gifts and anything we can think of that will help us share Thanksgiving and celebrate Jesus’ birth with those who can’t without us. We gave away turkeys with the sides to at least 200 families at our Thanksgiving service on November 23. On December 22, between 1:00 and 3:00, we want to celebrate Christ’s birth by giving hams, side dishes and gifts to these same families, especially the children. While toys and holidays are a necessity for children :-)) so are heavy clothing, bedding, space heaters, winter coats, hats, gloves, and thermal underwear. If you’d rather we do the shopping, we welcome gift cards, checks, or cash.

We can do none of these things if we can’t continue to pay our bills, so please pray about an end of year financial gift. Beyond that, we’d like to more effectively share our ministry with you next year by hosting a banquet where you can meet some of our neighbors this ministry benefits, meet other supporters, ask questions, share ideas, break bread, hear a guest speaker, introduce a friend or family member to the ministry, and praise God together for all He does for and through us. You’re at the center of our joy and thanksgiving throughout the year, and as always, we’re praying that you and your loved ones have a blessed and merry holiday season. It’s such a blessing knowing that together with you, *“we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them”* (Ephesians 2:10).

Dan, Peaches, Michal and the Jerusalem House Family



## Plan Now for 2017-2018 Faith Preschool Registration

Plans are underway for the 2017-18 preschool registration for the QUMC’s quality preschool program - Faith Preschool. Celebrating 15 years of excellence, Faith Preschool provides classes for 2’s, 3’s, and 4’s that offer high-quality, affordable, early childhood education in a Christian setting by caring, experienced staff.

Classes for 4’s meet on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in the AM or PM. Classes for 3’s meet on Tuesday and Thursday AM or PM. Classes for 2’s will be offered as a one-day-a-week class on Wednesday AM or a two-day-a-week option on Tuesday/Thursday AM. Enrichment activities include lunch bunch and mini-camp electives.

Detailed program information may be obtained online at [www.qumc.com](http://www.qumc.com) or in the promotional brochures available in the lobby.

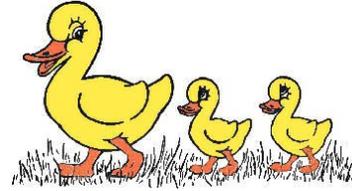
Priority registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be held at the church on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. (snow date, Tuesday, January 10). Priority registration is offered to families who are members of QUMC or have children currently enrolled in Faith Preschool.

General registration to the public begins Thursday, January 12.

For further information or to arrange an observational visit, please contact Registrar, Melodie Schmouder at 215.536.8172 or by email at [faithpreschoolofficemanager@gmail.com](mailto:faithpreschoolofficemanager@gmail.com).



# Family Matters



**BIRTHDAYS:** Donald Diehl - December 8, Carl Hunsberger - December 10,  
Jean Savage - December 29, Elaine Wentz - December 31

**BAPTIZED:** November 13, Liam Bradley Kasick, son of Matt & Lisa. Liam was born on May 10.

**MUCH APPRECIATION:**

*“A sincere and heartfelt thanks to Bill and Dianne Scott for providing, preparing, and hosting the Fall Fellowship Dinners, which concluded November 16.”*

*The Church Family of QUMC*

*“During Harry’s recent hospitalization, we felt the love and prayers from our church family. We are grateful and blessed.”*

*Harry, Margie & Cheryl Ann Stotsenburg*

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:**

Abigail Leelum            4183 Huckleberry Driver, Center Valley, PA 18034  
Caleb Leelum  
Briana Leelum

Jane Robinson            2056 Huber Drive, Quakertown, PA 18951  
Ashley Robinson  
Michael Robinson  
Zachary Robinson

Elisabeth Schaefer        2056 Huber Drive, Quakertown, PA 18951 - 215.499.4963



The church office will close at 3:00 p.m., Friday, December 23, reopening Monday, January 2, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Church Secretary Barbara Hafler will be taking some well-deserved time off to be with her family.

In the event of an emergency, please contact Pastor Tom at 610.751.2906.



*Breaking news!!  
The Thank Offering for this year was over \$1,000. We are still collecting and counting. Thank you to all who contributed.*

## **Do you like candy? Make sure you stop at the UMW table Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**The UMW is sponsoring fudge and hand-dipped chocolates, plus other goodies you won't want to miss.**



**The Annual UMW Christmas Covered Dish will be Friday 12-9-16. All ladies of the church are invited. The Praise Band will be performing Christmas Music for your enjoyment. Sign up in the narthex.**





# December 2016

## Church Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>**SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE</b>                      8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship                      9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship                      10:00 a.m. Sunday School                      11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship</p>				1 2:00 p.m. Life Group 2:15 p.m. Life Group 7:00 p.m. Praise Band, Radical Hospitality	2	3 10:00 a.m. All-Church Decorating, Youth Babysitting Day
4 ** Advent II: PEACE 6:00 p.m. Life Group	5 6:30 p.m. Daisies, Brownies, Junior Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Grace Notes	6 7:00 p.m. Trustees	7 6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	8 2:00 p.m. Life Group 2:15 p.m. Life Group 7:00 p.m. Praise Band, Finance	9 UMW Christmas Dinner	10 9:00 a.m. Miller Hall Reserved 10:00 a.m. Quakertown Ministerium Christmas Carnival
11 ** Advent III: JOY 3:00 p.m. All-Church Christmas Caroling 6:00 p.m. Life Group	12 6:30 p.m. Daisies, Brownies, Junior Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Grace Notes	13	14 6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	15 2:00 p.m. Life Group 2:15 p.m. Life Group 7:00 p.m. Praise Band	16	17 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
18 Advent IV: LOVE 9:00 a.m. Festival Worship/Children's Christmas Pageant 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, Usher Meeting 6:00 p.m. Life Group, Kid's Club Christmas Party, Youth Group Christmas Party	19 6:30 p.m. Daisies, Brownies, Junior Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Grace Notes	20	21 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir	22 2:00 p.m. Life Group 2:15 p.m. Life Group 7:00 p.m. Praise Band	23	24 5:00 p.m. Family Service 7:30 p.m. Service of Lessons & Carols 11:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion
25 9:00 a.m. Worship 	26	27	28	29	30	31