

***Benediction**

Postlude

**Those Who Are Able, Please Stand*

*We welcome all who have come to worship us.
We pray that this hour will be a blessing to you.*

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Lay Leader today is Susan Stout.

Ushers today are Carol and Darrell Pusateri.

Sound Booth operator is Jim Ashbaugh.

Nursery worker is Anne Ward.

Greeting the congregation at the close of the worship service today Anne and Buddy Ward are at the State Street door and Susan Stout and Gloria Lindell are at the Church Street door.

Regular Office Hours are now Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM.

The Deacons are looking for names of people who are in need of food or financial assistance. Please contact a Deacon if you know of someone in the congregation or community that needs assistance.

Salvation Army Christmas Gift Tag Project is now complete and the gifts need to be returned today. Please make sure to check off your gifts on the sheets on the table in the Narthex.

Annual Carol Sing at the Irvine Presbyterian Church tonight, December 8, at 6:00 pm. Refreshments and fellowship will follow. Please come and join our fellow Presbyterians as we sing about the Good News of Christ's birth. You can meet us at the Irvine church or contact Buddy at the church office to arrange a ride.

Sermon Outline for Sunday Morning, December 8, 2019 Rev. Ward

TITLE: "REPENT!"

TEXTS: Matthew 3:1-12

- I. Introduction: What was John the Baptist's first word to announce the coming of the Messiah? "Repent!"

- II. Repentance is the first step in beginning a new life with Christ.

- III. Repentance is about restoring our relationship with God.

- IV. The first sign of true repentance is acknowledging that we have a problem.

- V. The fruit of true repentance is love!

- VI. Bear the fruit of love that comes from knowing that you've been restored to God and . . . " !"

Christmas Poinsettia Donations are due today, if you would like to donate a poinsettia for Christmas please make your donations on the form in your bulletin.

The Ladies Luncheon Prayer Group meets Thursday, December 12, at 11:15 am at the Russell School (note the time and location change). The cost for lunch is \$8.00. All women are welcome.

We serve at Sharing Place on December 19.

Servers: Chris McClellan, Denny McClellan, Sally Clark, Celia Gross, and Lynn Olsen

Bakers: Nancy Bullock, Sandy Ransom, Susan Stout, Bill Gross, and Celia Gross.

Annual Church & Community Children's Christmas Party Saturday, December 21 from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. All children from the Church, Sunday School, Day Care, and Summer Day Camp are invited! It will be a great time of fun as we celebrate our "Christmas Wish List" together! And as usual we will be having two special visitors from way up north.

Sunday School Christmas Pageant, Sunday December 22 during the 11:00 am worship hour. Join your friends and neighbors as both children and adults act out a celebration of the birth of Jesus. This Christmas pageant will feature a costumed cast, live narration, and congregational hymns. Following the pageant everyone is invited to join the cast for a time of refreshment in fellowship hall.

Queen Esther Sight & Sound Trip May 11-12, 2020
Cost is Single-\$325, Double-\$250, Triple-\$222, Quad-\$210. All Rooms are King or 2 Queen Suites with Queen Hide a bed. Price includes all expenses: Bus, Hotel, Dinner, Breakfast, Show, Buffet Lunch, taxes and tips. \$50 per person non-refundable deposit due with reservation. There is a \$10.00 discount per person if paid in full by 2/1/2020. Please make checks payable to NWPC/Esther. See Gary Olson or the church office for registration forms or more details.

Prayer Requests Today

- ✓ Meadville, First Presbyterian Church
- ✓ Rev. Brian Jensen, Pastor
- ✓ Missionaries of the PC (USA) throughout the World
- ✓ Our neighbors and our community
- ✓ Our congregation, pastor, and the PCUSA.

Looking Ahead

Sunday, December 8

9:15 AM Prayer Meeting

9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

6:00 PM Annual Carol Sing at Irvine Presbyterian

Monday, December 9

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

6:30 PM Qadosh Bells

Tuesday, December 10

6:00 PM Christian Ed. Committee

Wednesday, December 11

6:30 PM Youth Recreation in Community House

Thursday, December 12

11:15 AM Ladies Prayer Luncheon, meet in Russell

Sunday, December 15

9:15 AM Prayer Meeting

9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service

6:00 PM Session Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 16

6:30 PM Qadosh Bells

Wednesday, December 18

6:30 PM Youth Recreation in Community House

**THE SHARING PLACE
NWPC VOLUNTEERS 2020**

Server

Baker (3 ½ dozen cookies)

Feb 20, 2020

April 9, 2020

June 4, 2020

July 23, 2020

September 10, 2020

November 5, 2020

January 14, 2021

NAME

PHONE NUMBER

If you have any questions in regard to details of
your involvement, please call David Snyder @ 688-4911.
or email dwsnyder@westpa.net
THANK YOU !!



POINSETTIAS

The Christmas season will be upon us soon and the Flower committee is busy with preparations for decorating our church. We are asking for your help. You may help in any or all of the following areas:

Poinsettias will be \$9.00 each and will be of varying colors. All flowers are to be picked up following the Christmas Eve Service. Please bring a bag to cover your plant and protect it from the cold.

Donations of \$\$\$ to the Deacons Fund will assist them in providing for those in need in our community. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated again this year.

If you would like to make a donation of \$\$\$ to help defray the cost of renewing and/or replacing some of the decorations you may do so through this form as well.

All flowers and donations may be placed in memory or honor of family, friends, loved ones, etc. Please indicate your choices and place in the offering plate or return this form along with your gift to the church office.

Deadline is December 8, 2019.

Thank you for your participation. The Flower Committee

Name _____ Phone _____

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| 1. Poinsettia - \$9.00 each | \$ _____ | (colors may vary) |
| 2. Deacons Fund | \$ _____ | |
| 3. Church Decorating Fund | \$ _____ | |
| TOTAL | \$ _____ | |



In Memory Of:

In Honor Of:

Please indicate your choices and place in the offering plate or return this form along with your gift to the church office, ATTN: Flower Committee.

Deadline is December 8, 2019

Make your checks to "NWPC" or North Warren Presbyterian Church