

REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20, 2022

8:30 Worship Attendance = 133 9:30 Sunday School Attendance = 99
10:30 Worship Attendance = 120 Wednesday Night Connection = ---
Total Worship Attendance = 253

Financial Giving Breakdown General Fund

Sunday School \$133.00
Loose \$1,481.00
Envelopes \$2,715.00
Total General Fund \$4,329.00
Weekly General Fund offering needed for budget = \$6,241.85

CCDR Offerings (Mortgage)

CCDR \$335.00
Total CCDR \$335.00
Weekly CCDR offering needed for mortgage = \$1,062.55

NOTES: Current Mortgage Debt = \$599,750.49
 Monthly Mortgage = \$4,604.28

Other Designated Giving

Reimbursement \$47.74
Copier \$400.00
Missions \$365.00
Total Other Designated Giving \$813.74

Total Weekly Offering:

\$7,180.00 + \$1,511.00 + \$300.00 = \$8,991.00

NOTES:

- (1) The offerings listed above **do not** include Online Giving.
- (2) **Online Giving** for October was:

GF – \$6,845.00 + CCDR + \$1360.00 = \$8,205.00

Reminders and Upcoming Events:

- 11/27: Hanging of the Greens meal and service at 5:00 pm
- 11/29: GIGGLES at Perkins Restaurant
- 11/30: All Connection Groups meet 7:00 pm
- 11/30: Choir at 6:00 pm
- 12/01: Historical Society Meeting 7:00 pm
- 12/08: Women’s Ministry Meeting
- 12/10: Youth Ministries Party
- 12/16: Anchored Christmas Party
- 12/24: **Christmas Eve**
- 12:25: MERRY CHRISTMAS

Karate School meets Monday at 5:30 p.m. & Thursday at 6:00 p.m.
Cub Scouts meet every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Girl Scouts meet every Monday at 5:30 p.m.

Newville First Church of God
“The Connection Place”

475 Shippensburg Road, Newville PA 17241 ~ 717-776-5223

November 27, 2022



Pastor Wayne A. Good

Director of Visitation: Pastor Dick Reese
Director of Youth Ministry: Pastor Shawn Peale
Director of Children’s Ministry: Katie Kane
Women’s Care Ministry: Pastor Kathryn Griffith

We exist to exalt God by showing his love in the fellowship of believers for the purpose of making more and better disciples.

Newville First Church of God
November 27, 2022
8:30 am & 10:30 am

Musical Prelude – *A Time of Preparing to Worship*

Songs of Praise and Worship

8:30 a.m. Services

"Oh Come All Ye Faithful"

Hymn #249

"Oh Little Town of Bethlehem"

Hymn #250

10:30 a.m. Services

"Unstoppable God"

"After All (Holy)"

"Holy Spirit"

Worship in the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Hearing from God's Word

Series: The Heart of Christmas

Message: Hope is at the Heart of Christmas

Text: Isaiah 9:1-7

Musical Postlude – *A Time of Reflection*

Send a "Thinking of You" greeting card. A few individuals who could use some encouragement this week are:

*Jim Witter – 1000 Northfield Dr, Brookville Heathcare Center
Chambersburg PA*

*Evelyn Hockensmith – 91 Doubling Gap Rd Apt 2022, Newville PA
Walter + Peggy Coover – 18 Beidler Dr, Shippensburg PA*

Date Change: The Annual Congregation Meeting will be held on Sunday morning, December 11th at 9:30 a.m.

Everyone is invited to bring in a special ornament for the Christmas Tree this year.

The proposed 2023 budget is available for review. There is a copy on the bulletin board and extra copies in the mailroom if you would like to take one. Questions, see Kevin Miller.

Congratulations to those who joined us in Church Membership: Kevin Lechner, Matt Connor, Hailey Wall, Nadia Griffith, Delaney Rhinehart, Sarah Fisher

Doubling Gap is hosting "Travel to the Inn" for **Christmas** this year. Tuesday **December 6th come out to Doubling Gap at 6:30 pm** to witness the miracle of Christmas! **It cost \$16.** Please bring one of the following for the homeless: adult cold medicine, hats (any size) or ramen noodles. Please make checks out to **CGWM and give to Jean Sponenberg by November 16th.**

A **Mitten Tree** will be placed in the church this year by the Women's Ministry for donations of gloves, hats and socks. The donations will be given to the Big Spring Area Food Bank. Hats, mittens, and socks may be placed on the tree or in the back in the entryway. Donations brought in will be going to the foodbank.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2023 will be placed in your mailbox in the next few weeks. If you do NOT currently have offering envelopes and would like to begin using them, please put a note in the offering plate or in Jean Sponenberg's mailbox.

Praise the Lord!!! Our debt for our **Connection Center Debt Reduction** (CCDR) loan has reached another milestone as we have now dropped below \$600,000. ***If you would like to contribute towards our debt reduction, place your gift in an envelope and mark it "CCDR". Thank you for your generosity*** as we continue to pay down our debt.

Our Advent Worship Service times:

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day Worship,

Combined Worship Service – 10:00 am

Sunday, January 1 - New Year's Day Worship,

Combined Worship Service – 10:00 am

These three dates will be Family Worship Services. Children will join the worship service in the main sanctuary. The nursery will be open for nursery needs, but not staffed.

Nursery Volunteer Schedule

November 27th: Stephanie McCullouch & Emily Reall (8:30 service)
November 27th: Pastor Wayne & Elaine Good (9:30 Sunday School)
November 27th: Sara Witter & Suzanne Witter (10:30 service)

December 4th: Fran Shoemaker (8:30 service)
December 4th: Brandi & Tobey Lay (9:30 Sunday School)
December 4th: Tracey Cook & Sarah Fisher (10:30 service)

Promise Kids Volunteer Schedule – November 27th:

8:30 Jr Church

Check In: Mark & Sarah Long

Junior Church: Linda & Ed Webber

9:30 Sunday School

Check In: Kevin Miller

Teacher: Angie Anderson & Barb Hoover

10:30 Jr Church

Check In: Pastors Andrew & Kathryn Griffith

Toddler Church: Nadie Griffith & Shannon Kane

Junior Church: Katie Kane & Linda Gehrett

Promise Kids Volunteer Schedule – December 4th:

8:30 Jr Church

Check In: Kevin and Laura Lay

Junior Church: Emily Reall & Wade Reall

9:30 Sunday School

Check In: Jeanne Young

Teacher: Tracey Cook & Barb Hoover

10:30 Jr Church

Check In: Will & Janelle Lloyd

Toddler Church: Stacie Nickel & Nadia Griffith

Junior Church: Daniel & Julianna Bender

GIGGLES will be meeting November 29th at the Country Café, formerly Rachels at noon in Newburg. Sign up sheet will be in the welcome center or contact Peg Hoover with questions. (717)961-9328. There will be no meeting in December. Mark your calendar for January 17, 2023 for our Christmas Party. Watch bulletin for updates and more info on the party.

NO Connection Groups will be held at the church on Wednesday December 21st.

There will be a special Cantata practice on Mon, November 21 at 7:00 pm. There will be no regular choir practice on Wed Nov 23

We have an **IMMEDIATE NEED** for teachers for our children's ministry Sunday mornings. If you love children, or have a talent teaching, we are requesting you use your gifts to volunteer some Sundays to help our children. **Please contact Katie Kane (717) 448-9218 or Pastor Wayne (717) 448-6994 to volunteer.**

The Women's Ministry will be meeting December 8th at 6:30 to prepare Christmas Cheer Boxes for shut-ins. If you would like to donate small useful items to be included, or donate money toward fresh fruit, please talk to or call Mary Beth Miller at 717-440-2111. They will also be meeting Monday Nov 21 at 6:00 pm.

Would you like to purchase a poinsettia to help decorate our sanctuary for the Christmas Worship Services? Red and white flowers will be available in both 6" and 4 ½" sizes. You can pick up a form and envelop for your payment in the Connection Center. Orders need placed by December 4th.



THINGS WEAR OUT! We all realize things wear out with age, appliances, cars, even our bodies. Well our copier/printer in our church office has finally reached the end of its life. It has over 1,000,000 copies and is in need of expensive repairs. It has given us good service for the past 10 years but now needs replaced. *Would you consider a gift to help purchase a replacement copier/printer. The purchase price is \$5,200.* We then pay a monthly maintenance fee for toners, parts, repairs, etc. for normal usage. Would you consider helping with the purchase price by giving a donation of any amount. If you would like to help, over the next few weeks you can place your financial gift in one of the brown envelopes or one of the Love Offering envelopes located in the back of the pews and write "PRINTER" on the front. *Thank you for your financial support! Thank you to the Newville Print shop for printing our bulletins for November 6th on short notice and donating some of the printing costs.*

SOMETHING NEW AND EXCITING IS COMING IN JANUARY 2023!

The first will be some adjustments to our Sunday Worship service times. Sunday mornings here at The Connection Place are very busy, and there isn't time for any fellowship to meet new attenders or to catch up with friends between our various services, without taking time away from one of our worship services or Connection Groups.

There are two options we looking at for our future Sunday schedule. **The worship committee and church council members would like your input to help guide the decision for our future service times.** Please look and pray about the two options below. There will be a survey form for you to complete on Sunday, December 4th for you to share your thoughts. If you have any questions, please contact any of our Worship Committee members (listed below) for more information.



OPTION 1

8:15 - First Worship Service

9:30 - Connection Groups (Sunday School)

10:45 – Second Worship Service

OPTION 2

8:30 - First Worship Service

9:45 - Connection Groups (Sunday School)

11:00 – Second Worship Service

The second item will be our new Family Sunday. Beginning in January, the fourth Sunday of the month will be a time when families can enjoy worshipping together. On Family Sunday, the pre-school and elementary children will in the sanctuary with their parents for the 8:30 and 10:30 worship services.

Children's Sunday School classes will still be held at 9:30 on Family Sunday in their regular classroom area, and, **we will still have nursery care during all services as long as we have volunteers to help in the nursery.**

Worship Committee: *Pastor Wayne, Pastor Ron, Pastor Shawn, Pastor Kathryn, Brandi Lay, Elaine Good, Sarah Long, and Stephanie Wall.*