

MY DECISION TODAY:

- I have some questions and would like the Pastor to call me.
- I am renewing my commitment to Christ.
- I would like more information about Baptism.
- I would like more information about Church Membership.
- I am interested in counseling:
 - Premarital Financial
 - Crisis/Marriage Family
- I would like to receive the 2023 Offering Envelopes
- I would like a church mailbox

Comments, Requests, Prayer Needs:
 For Prayer Team
 For Pastor (confidential)

REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19, 2023

8:15 Worship Attendance = 129 9:30 Sunday School Attendance = 90
 10:45 Worship Attendance = 108
 Total Worship Attendance = 237

Financial Giving Breakdown				
Weekly Giving	General Fund	Other Designated	CCDR Debt Reduction	Week Total
5-Nov	\$7,648.50	\$300.00	\$1,970.00	\$9,918.50
12-Nov	\$6,398.00	\$200.00	\$1,885.00	\$8,483.00
19-Nov	\$4,902.11	\$495.00	\$538.00	\$5,935.11
26-Nov				\$0.00
				\$0.00
Nov Totals	\$18,948.61	\$995.00	\$4,393.00	\$24,336.61
Req Monthly for Budget	\$26,575.05		\$4,604.28	\$31,179.33
Past month's Income				
October	\$34,559.31	\$2,375.05	\$4,741.00	\$41,675.36
September	\$28,109.02	\$1,375.00	\$5,188.00	\$34,672.02
August	\$25,659.00	\$2,179.00	\$5,340.00	\$33,178.00
Oct Online Giving	to GF:	\$7,303.00	to CCDR:	\$1,240.00
CCDR Debt Balance		\$566,128.47		

Reminders and Upcoming Events:

- 11/27: Decorating the church 6:00 pm**
- 11/28: GIGGLES meeting in the APB at noon**
Women's Ministry Meeting 6:30 pm
- 11/29: Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm**
Cantata Choir Practice 6:30 pm
All Connection Groups begin at 7:00 pm
- 11/30: GreifShare 6-8 pm**
- 12/2: Men's Prayer 8:00 am**

Contact Information

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The Connection Place

November 26, 2023 – FAMILY SUNDAY



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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 26, 2023 – FAMILY SUNDAY
8:15 am & 10:45

Musical Prelude – a Time of Preparing to Worship
Invitation To Worship

Songs of Praise and Worship

8:15 Service

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel	Hymn # 245
O Little Town of Bethlehem	Hymn # 250
Here I Am To Worship	Video
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus	Choir

Worship in the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

10:45 Service

Forever
My King Forever
Great Are You Lord

Worship in the Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Kidz Chat

Hearing from God’s Word

Series: A Savior Is Born

Message: “The Promised Hope” Pastor Wayne Good

Text: Isaiah 7:14, Isaiah 53:3-6

Prayer of Sending

Musical Postlude

We want to welcome you to our Sunday Worship Services and Connection Groups. We hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving . . . and speaking of hope, today Pastor Wayne begins a new series leading us into the Advent Season with a message on “Hope”. There are many things we hope for in the world and in our lives. Our prayer today is you have a better understanding that comes to you through the hope we have in Jesus Christ. We encourage you to reach out to some friends and family and bring them to worship with you this coming Advent/Christmas season.

We pray you have an inspiring day of worship!

Send a note of encouragement to people in our congregation and our community. It brightens their day!

Jim & Darlene Pittman – 903 Big Spring Rd., Shippensburg, PA 17257

Dottie Shoff– 91 Doubling Gap Rd., Apt. 207, Newville, PA 17241

Edith Stum – 15 Walnut St., Newville, PA 17241

The Church Office hours are **Monday 9:00 am-12:00 pm** and **Thursday 10:00 am–1:00 pm.**

Thank you to all who served on the Church Council in 2023. Your faithfulness and commitment to the Lord and to the leadership of the church was greatly appreciated. We want to welcome our 2024 Church Council:

Elders: Bob Cormany, Marlin Hoover, Kevin Miller, Garry Wall

Deacons: Greg Aby, Addison Lay, Mark Long, Ed Webber

Deaconesses: Sherry Aby, Angie Anderson, Barb Hoover, Janis Jones

Life Elder: Charles (Buz) Anderson

The proposed budget as amended for 2024 has been approved. Thank you for your continued financial support of the ministry of God’s church. Copies of the Congregation Meeting Pack Reports are available in the Welcome Center and at the Connection Center Information Desk.

Choir News – Regular choir practices are every Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m. Join us for **Christmas Eve Cantata** practice on **Wednesdays, at 6:30 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to sing. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Webber.

Today is the last day to order your Poinsettia. Information and order forms are on the Connection Center Information Desk. You may place your envelope in Mary Beth Miller’s mailbox with your order and payment.

PAW Packs Soup orders are due **TODAY!** Extra forms are located at the Connection Center Information Desk. **Please remember to pick your soup up on December 1st from 4:00 – 6:00 pm.**

Newville First Church of God
Communication Tear Off

Date: _____

Visitor New Address
 New Resident to the Area

Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms.

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Address: _____

Phone: H - _____

C - _____

Email - _____

I came as a guest of: _____

I attend church at: _____

I am interested in music ministries:

- Choir
- Funeral Planning
- Worship Team
- Worship Reader
- Music Instruments
- Serving on Tech Team

I play these instruments: _____

Please Circle your age group:

Teen 20’s 30’s 40’s

Names of Children _____

Please tear off and place in the offering plate or hand this to the Pastor after the service.

Nursery Volunteer Schedule

November 26: Emily Reall & Stephanie McCullough (8:15 service)
November 26: Tracey Cook (9:30 Sunday School)
November 26: Tobey & Brandi Lay (10:45 service)

December 3: Jeff & Stephanie Pittman (8:15 service)
December 3: Garry & Stephanie Wall (9:30 Sunday School)
December 3: Tracey Cook & Sarah Fisher (10:45 service)

Promise Kids Volunteer Schedule – November 26th – FAMILY SUNDAY

8:15 Jr Church

Check In: Mark & Sarah Long

Teacher: **NURSERY ONLY**

9:30 Sunday School

Check In: Jeanne Young

Children's Choir Practice: Linda & Amanda Webber

10:45 Jr Church

Check In: Pastors Andrew & Kathryn Griffith

Junior Church: **NURSERY ONLY**

Promise Kids Volunteer Schedule – December 3rd

8:15 Jr Church

Check In: Kevin & Laura Lay

Teacher: Linda & Amanda Webber

9:30 Sunday School

Check In: Kevin Miller

Teacher: Angie Anderson & Barb Hoover

10:45 Jr Church

Check In: Deanna Rhinehart

Pre-School: Delaney Rhinehart & Sherry Aby

Junior Church: Daniel & Julianna Bender



Text Giving – If you would like to Text Give your tithes and offering, simply text the amount and add General or CCDR (Connection Center De**ult Reduction) to 717-910-6400. Example: 10 General**

If you are facing extreme grief this holiday season, you know there's no easy or quick fix! But we can help you uncover practical holiday survival tips for dealing with a season of despair. Join us for Surviving the Holidays, a 2-hour event featuring real-life stories and a community of caring people. **Thursday, November 30, 6-8pm.** See Pastor Kathryn Griffith or Pastor Heidi Guyer for more information!

Mark your calendars and join the fun! **Tomorrow, November 27th at 6:00 pm** the **Christmas decorations come out** and the church is prepared for the upcoming Advent Season. There are many ways to help from lightweight tasks to climbing tall ladders. Enjoy the sounds of Christmas and enjoy some cookies too. Hope to see you there.



GIGGLES will be meeting, **Tuesday, November 28th** in the APB at noon. Everyone is asked to bring a small snack to share. A sign-up sheet is located in the **Welcome Center**. If you have any questions, please see Peg Hoover.

Women's Ministry meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 28th at 6:30 pm**. Come be a part of setting up the Mitten Tree and cheering up the All Purpose Building for the Hanging of the Evergreens meal. All are welcome! Many hands make light work!

The Advent Season is quickly approaching. It's a time when we reflect on our love for our Savior and ponder on the gift that He gave us. To help lead us through this Advent Season, we prepare each week with special readings during our Sunday worship. **If you are interested in being a reader**, please contact Pastor Wayne (717-448-6994) or make a note on the bulletin Communication Slip and give to the Pastor. A reading will be given to you and the Advent candle will be lit at that time. Maybe you'd like to do it as one, or as husband and wife, or as a family or as friends. Thank you in advance for serving and making this a special celebration during our worship.

There is no better way to start off the Christmas Season than by attending the traditional **Hanging of the Evergreens Service**. This event begins at **5:00 pm on Sunday, December 3rd**, with a covered dish dinner. Roast beef will be prepared by North Mountain Butcher Shop and will be served. Place settings, rolls, drink and desserts will be supplied. Don't let the covered dish keep you away. There are lots of things you can buy to bring or come empty handed. We want you to join in. The Hanging of the Evergreens Service begins at 6:30 pm.

- A few reminders for the meal and the service: **There is a sign-up sheet** at the Connection Center Information Desk for the meal. Please sign up if you are planning to attend so we can have a count for the meal. If you have not signed up, we would love for you to still join us for the meal.
- Please bring a **Christmas ornament** to place on the tree in the sanctuary as we decorate the church.



The Women's Ministry will sponsor their **Second Annual Mitten Tree**. Please bring new gloves, scarves, hats, and socks to put on the tree. Both children's and adult sizes are needed. The donations will be delivered after Christmas to replace all the lost mittens received for Christmas, just in time for Pennsylvania's Real Winter! We hope to provide these items to Rachel's Closet at Big Spring Middle School, Bethany House of Cumberland County, Inc, and The Harbor in Shippensburg. The Mitten Tree will be in the entry way, and donations will be taken until December 31st. Thank You!

All ladies are invited to come to the church All Purpose Building on Saturday morning, **December 9th at 9:00 am** to put together **Cheer Boxes** for our shut-ins. Maybe you would like to deliver one or two, that would be a big help and a great chance for a visit from a new face. See Mary Beth Miller with any questions you may have or contact her at 717-440-2111.

Are you ready to make The Connection Place your church family? We would love to have you as a part of our family through membership. If you would like to **become a member** or if you would like more information about our church and its ministry, join one of the informational meetings on **Wednesday, December 6th at 7:00 pm**, **Saturday, December 9th at 9:00 am** and on **Sunday, December 10th at 1:00 pm**. Members **will be received into the church on Sunday, December 17th**.

All new council members are asked to attend **the December 11th Council meeting at 7:00 pm**. The **Elders will be meeting at 5:30 pm**. Thank you for being faithful in serving God's church.

Happy Helpers will be meeting on **Thursday, December 14th at 11:30 am** at the **Newville Diner**. Come join in the fellowship around the table. There is a sign-up sheet in the Connection Center Lobby on the information desk. Any questions see Sheri Houser or call her at 717-776-5632. Hope to see everyone!

The following will be the schedule for **Sunday, December 24th, Christmas Eve**. Come and worship our Savior's birth in music and in sharing the experience of His birth through scripture. **The morning service will be held at 9:30 am**. In the evening we will celebrate at **6:00 pm with a cantata of beautiful music by our Choir**. Then join us for an evening of **worship at 8:00 pm** as we travel back in time 2,000 years ago to find the **true meaning of Christmas**.

Offering Envelopes for **2024** will be placed in mailboxes soon. If you currently do not receive envelopes but would like to have them, please indicate on the Communication Slip on the side of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate or in Jean Sponenberg's mailbox.

It's time once again to restock the canned vegetables for **Paw Packs**, the school feeding program that our church supports. Our goal is 500 cans of corn, green beans and peas. So when you head to the grocery store, pick up a few cans and help us keep the Paw Pack shelves stocked. You can put your vegetables in the lobby of the Welcome Center. Let's do it for the kids in our community.

Thank you to all who filled shoe boxes with necessities and gifts for Operation Christmas Child. Thank you to those who gave financially and those who gave of their time as well. We received 145 boxes that were delivered locally. They will be shipped around the world with the Gospel message. Thank you for blessing a child.

Each year we give a special offering as a Birthday Gift for Jesus. And each year the gifts are given to various needs, projects and organizations. This year's Birthday Gift for Jesus will be divided three ways with two ministries and one project here at the church.

Paw Packs – a feeding program for children in our community

Neighbors in Christ – a community organization that helps those with financial needs.

All Purpose Building Roof replacement

Right-Now-Media is a free resource that is available to all who attend our church. You will receive free access to a huge, streaming, online, access-on-any-device library of over 10,000 video Bible studies, leadership videos, kid shows and more. Resources to help you with parenting, marriage, discipleship and more. Simply go to www.tcp.church and click on Online Resources and then Right-Now-Media.



Advent Season Sermon Series - A Savior is Born

8:15 and 10:45 am

November 26	The Promised Hope
December 3	The Joy of Anticipation
December 10	The Servant Love of Jesus
December 17	The Prophetic Peace
December 24	9:30 am The Gift of Waiting
	6:00 pm - Christmas Eve Cantata
	8:00 pm - Christmas Eve
	Contemporary Service