



# Middletown Press

JANUARY 2018

## Coming Events:

### January

- **1/6 Upward Games Begin**
- **1/7 –2/4 Souper Bowl Challenge**
- **1/7 Congregational Meeting to elect officers**
- **1/13 Youth Bowling and Food Stop —6:00PM**
- **1/14 Aid for Friends**
- **1/17 Wednesday morning Bible Study resumes**
- **1/21 Upward Sunday**
- **1/21 Pancake Brunch**
- **1/28 Boy Scout Sunday**
- **1/28 Youth Hoagie Sale**

### Looking Ahead

- **2/2 MOVIE Night**
- **2/14 Ash Wednesday Soup Super and Service**
- **2/24 Youth Go Karts and Laser Tag — 5:00PM**

### Sundays

**Sunday School 9 AM**  
**Coffee Fellowship 10 AM**  
**Worship 10:30 AM**

## Souper Bowl

For MPC every January is a time to bring in food to help stock local food closets—to reach out and help to care for those of our local community who are in need. We will have 5 weeks for collecting food in the narthex, beginning January 7 through February 4. Join us in this fun effort to make a difference in eliminating hunger in our local community.

Remember that boxes of cereal and pasta sauce will count double so we can continue our commitment to Chester East-side's food cupboard.

## One Meal you don't have to cook!

MPC youth are again making hoagies! Please help support our kids by ordering 6" Turkey, Ham and American Cheese or Italian for \$5.00 each specially made for you to pick up on January 28 after worship.

Use the order form enclosed in the Press or pick one up in the Narthex or from any middle or high school student! All condiments will be available! Any questions contact Beth Shoemaker or Misti Love. Thanks for your support.

## Aid for Friends

Keep gathering food for the Aid for Friends Cook-in on **Sunday**, January 14. We will need main courses to feed 10-12, frozen vegetables, canned fruit, cooked potatoes, rice and noodles, tea bags, and sandwich bags.

I want to thank everyone for their loyal support this year and endless meals that went to so many in need. For any information, call Carol Curtis at 610-566-7274

## Free Movie Night 2/2

Mark your calendars for Friday February 2 for MPC's next MOVIE Night. **6:30 PM Bring a friend!**

Sermons and Scripture

Jesus of Nazareth

### Part 1 – Who is He?

#### January

7 – "Son of God"

14 – "Son of Man"

21 – Upward Celebration  
Sunday

28 – "Servant Leader"

#### February

4 – "Prophet"

## Updates and Thanks

### MCW Purses Given

We were able to put together 66 purses at the Advent Breakfast to give to women in crisis. Twelve purses with \$25 gift cards were given to Domestic Abuse, and 10 were taken to Delaware City Interfaith Hospitality Network. Twelve purses went to Chester Community Action Agency of Delaware County. The remaining 32 purses were given to the Center Foundation in Media. Thanks, ladies.

### Rise Against Hunger Meals

During Be the Church Sunday we helped package 10,152 meals and we now know the destination of the meals you helped package. A shipping container, holding 285,120 meals, has been sent to Haiti for Cross International. Cross International is an organization that nourishes lives through food assistance and other services in Haiti. Thanks for your efforts to end hunger!

### Thanks for the Cookies!

So many baked cookies this year we were able to fill all requests and give thank you cookies to Menta's Sunoco, Middletown Fire Company, Cavan, and others. Thanks so much for making the Cookie Walk so successful!

### Have You Seen the Sidewalk!

We have a beautiful new sidewalk in the front of the sanctuary and chapel thanks to the donation of material AND labor from Cavan. A certificate of appreciation was presented to Chris Csanady who along with Walt Rowley work at Cavan and worked on the sidewalk. Thanks to all involved!

**PRAY**...Pray...pray..... Throughout the Bible, believers are called to pray. But what is prayer? What does it mean to "pray without ceasing?" And does prayer really make a difference?

The Prayer Service on Wednesday evenings at 7PM will continue. Join us as we journey together in prayer that can make a profound difference in our world.

## Deacons Doings

The deacons wish our church family warmest thoughts and best wishes for a New Year which brings peace, happiness and good health to all!

“....And thus the year I now begin  
A happy year will be  
If I am seeking just to do  
The thing that pleaseth Thee.”

At our meeting this month, we will be holding a small reception welcoming our new deacons. We are grateful that you will be serving our Lord in this caring ministry of the church. At the same time, we will be saying farewell to our deacons who have completed their terms of service, Debbie Frederick, Meredyth Graham, and Kathy Hosier. “We give thanks to God always for you all...remembering without ceasing your work of faith....” 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3.

The deacons welcome opportunities to serve others in the name of our Lord. Please communicate with us should you know of someone who would benefit from a visit, a card, transportation, hospital supplies, or a meal. If you are able to volunteer your services in any way, we would love to hear from you!

We sincerely thank our church family for your continued support of our ministry, making it possible for us to serve others.

Warm thoughts and prayers from the deacons!

### THANKS...from Members

\*Thank you, Thank you, Thank you! I am so appreciative of the lovely tribute you gave me at Prime Time Plus in November. As Prime Time Plus continues under its new leadership I shall continue to attend on its new day—the third TUESDAY beginning in March. *Gladys Martin*

\*I sincerely thank Rusty Abrams, Jim Steward, Kyle, Vernon and Joey for taking care of grass, trees, weeds and fallen tree branches on my property when I was unable due to a fall at church. *Naomi Bird*

# January 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> <b>Holiday</b> - Office is Closed 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>2</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Quilters 6:00 PM Cheerleading 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>3</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 7:00 PM Colonial Dancers 7:00 PM Prayer Service	<b>4</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 3:30 PM Good News Club 4:30 PM Trevoze Group 6:30 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Boy Scouts Meeting 7:30 PM Choir Practice 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>5</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 7:00 PM Cheerleading 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>6</b> Upward Games Begin 11:00 AM Publicity Meeting 6:00 PM Lydia Circle Dinner
<b>7</b> COMMUNION SUNDAY Souper Bowl Begins  9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages 10:00 AM Coffee Time 10:30 AM The Worship Service followed by Congregational Meeting to Elect officers	<b>8</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 6:30 PM Youth Ministry Team 7:00 PM Deacon's Meeting 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>9</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Quilters 12:00 PM Staff Lunch 3:00 PM Children's Ministry Meeting 6:00 PM Cheerleading 7:00 PM Delco Cruisers Car Club 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>10</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 7:00 PM Prayer Service 7:30 PM Sticks 'n' Strings	<b>11</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 3:30 PM Good News Club 4:30 PM Trevoze Group 6:30 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Boy Scouts Meeting 7:30 PM Choir Practice 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>12</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 7:00 PM Cheerleading 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>13</b> Upward Games 3:00 PM Girl Scout Brownies 6:00 PM Youth - Bowling & Nifty Fiftys
<b>14</b> 9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages 10:00 AM Coffee Time 2:00 PM Aid for Friends Cook In	<b>15</b> <b>Martin Luther King Jr Holiday</b> - Office is Closed 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>16</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Quilters 6:00 PM Cheerleading 7:30 PM Session Meeting 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>17</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM Colonial Dancers 7:00 PM Prayer Service	<b>18</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 3:30 PM Good News Club 4:30 PM Trevoze Group 6:30 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Boy Scouts Meeting 7:30 PM Choir Practice 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>19</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 7:00 PM Cheerleading 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>20</b> Upward Games 8:30 AM B & P Work Day 7:30 PM Mayer's Small Group
<b>21</b> Upward Celebration 9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages 10:00 AM Coffee Time 10:30 AM The Worship Service 11:30 AM Pancake Breakfast following the worship service 2:15 PM Cub Pack Scouts	<b>22</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>23</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Quilters 6:00 PM Cheerleading 7:15 PM Lydia Circle 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>24</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM Prayer Service 7:30 PM Sticks 'n' Strings	<b>25</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 3:30 PM Good News Club 4:30 PM Trevoze Group 6:30 PM Handbells 7:15 PM Boy Scouts Meeting 7:30 PM Choir Practice 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>26</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 7:00 PM Cheerleading 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>27</b> Upward Games 6:00 PM Youth Dinner and Hoagie making
<b>28</b> Boy Scout Sunday HEALING SERVICE SUNDAY 9:00 AM Sunday School for all ages 10:00 AM Coffee Time 10:30 AM The Worship Service 10:30 AM Youth - Hoagie Sale	<b>29</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>30</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Quilters 6:00 PM Cheerleading 8:00 PM NA Group	<b>31</b> 8:00 AM Wolf's Apple House 9:30 AM Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM Prayer Service	<b>Prime Time</b> will not meet January and February because of the often snowy weather. Our next program and lunch is <b>Tuesday</b> , March 20 at noon.		<b>SOUPER BOWL</b> Non-perishable food collection 1/7 to 2/4

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### ***Look inside and join us for:***

- **Upward Games**  
start 1/6
- **Souper Bowl Challenge** runs  
1/7 through 2/4
- **Aid for Friends**  
1/14
- **Pancake Brunch**  
1/21
- **Youth Hoagie Sale**-1/21 order  
1/28 pick up
- **MOVIE Night**  
2/2

Douglas McPheeters, Pastor	Office Hours Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Phone: 610-565-4080 Fax 610-565-4306 Email: <a href="mailto:tana@middletownpres.org">tana@middletownpres.org</a>
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<i>In case of an emergency or if you know of someone in the hospital, please contact the church office 610-565-4080 during business hours or call the Pastor at 302-762-0851.</i>	

Sunday Worship at 10:30 AM

Sunday School for all ages at 9:00 AM