

# JERUSALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

## THE TRAVELER



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### JANUARY 2022

The Vision of our Church is to increase  
Faith, Hope, Love, Community and Belonging

**Supply Pastor:** Rev. Don Quayle

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#### CHURCH CONSISTORY

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#### Additional Members

Barry George	Marcia Heinick	Bob Buck	Duane Hawk
Jaclyn Wonderly	Kelli George	Beverly Waibel	Jonathan Borger
Shelba Scheffner	Ed Brader	Tammy Landon	

MESSAGE FROM THE CONSISTORY PRESIDENT  
JANUARY 2022



Hello Church Members & Future Church Members:

Well, 2021 is coming to an end, and a lot of things have been going on here at the Church this past year. We had a lot of successful fundraisers throughout the year, with plenty of help from our members. We've worked together on many mission projects, including our kids coat drive, our hat and mitten tree, our family food pantry drive-throughs, Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners, and Operation Christmas Child (Shoe boxes-48 filled this year!). Many people contributed items, or donated money and time towards these great mission projects throughout the year, and we appreciate that so much. Our youth group also got together and baked cookies for our shut-ins. The youth and their parents did a great job making the cookies, and the shut-ins really enjoyed the cookies delivered to them by some of our members. Thank you to everyone involved in making this happen! Our pastoral search committee has a candidate that they are going to be meeting in person the first or second week in January. This candidate looks to be very promising, so we're looking forward to hearing their report. That committee is doing a really great job. Regarding our building project, we're hoping to secure our building permit within the next two months after modifying our plan without a basement. We're just waiting for the architect and engineering changes to be completed. Hopefully, come Spring, we'll be ready to put shovels in the ground. We're once again trying our Christmas Eve service in the Grove, weather permitting, so hopefully that works out for us. Either way, we'll have a beautiful service planned by our worship committee and band. We've come a long way over the past year, and I've really enjoyed serving as your Consistory President. I am at the end of my 4-year term on Consistory, so this will be my last monthly letter to you. It has been my pleasure serving our Church in this roll. I look forward to what the next year brings.

God Bless All, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year!

Rick Anderson  
Consistory President





## **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**



**Our 10:00am Sunday Worship Service is held in the church sanctuary.** You can also remain in your vehicle in the parking lot and listen to the service on radio station 95.5FM or watch us live on Facebook. The service is also posted on our website after it has concluded. Supply Pastor, Don Quayle will lead us in worship. He has also generously offered pastoral support for our congregation. If there's an emergency requiring a pastor, please contact **Pastor Don Quayle at 610-861-9203.**

### **PASTOR'S NOTE**

If there are shut-ins who desire home communion, please contact **Pastor Quayle at 610-861-9203.**



**Holy Communion is Sunday,  
January 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
Elements will be provided by the  
church.**



**Starting on January 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday School will go in-person  
each week during the 10:00 service.**



**A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Marcia Heinick for her involvement and commitment to our Christian Education program at JUCC. We appreciate your guidance and inspiration. Thank you for helping each child grow in God's love!**



**ANNUAL  
REPORT**

**2021 Annual Reports are due Tuesday, January 25, 2022.**



***“...pray for one another, so that you may be healed.” (James 5:13)***  
***“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing...” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-17)***  
*As disciples of Jesus, we seek to pray daily.*  
*Below is a list of those who need our prayers.*

### Shorter term prayer concerns:

Mark & Kathy Stetler  
Mitchell Kreger  
Lana Kuehner  
Stephanie Stroup  
Judy Hessinger  
Heather Hessinger  
Kay Green  
Larry Burger  
Sharon Longacre & Family

Buzz Hill  
Mary Beth Beers  
Edwin Longacre  
Terry & Denise Goodhile  
Joseph Turoscy  
Val Conger  
Harry Hahn  
Lois Strohl

Ava Parker  
Vergie Behler  
Marie Andrews  
Eileen Rinker  
Betty Nothstein  
Edna Schoenberger  
Carmen Fehr  
Scott & Janice Hahn

**Longer term prayer concerns:**

Jim Buck  
Barry Smale  
Elizabeth Krause  
Doug Hawk  
Anna Bowman  
Brenda Nothstein-Bunting

Bonnie O'Brien  
Linda Mackes  
Timothy Henning  
Joanne Frable  
Millie Lehman

Dalton Fredericks  
Ada Frederick  
Duane Hawk  
Helen Smale  
Marla Schmidt

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*A Special*  
THANK YOU

**A big warm “THANK YOU” for everything given to decorate the “Hat and Mitten tree.”** The tree was FILLED with hats, mittens, gloves, scarves and socks! All the items were taken to the Eldred Community Center for needy people living in the area served by the center.

Your generosity and kindness are appreciated!

# Donna Mackes



**A Special Thank You to Steph Anderson, Kelli George and Amy Shupp** for organizing and distributing the “Adopt-A-Family” Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinner Mission Project. Also, “Thank You” to our congregation for your generous donations and your continued support! We plan to do a Food Drive-Thru in early 2022. Watch here for more details!



**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE YOUTH, THEIR LEADERS & THEIR FAMILIES** who prepared the trays of delicious cookies for our Senior/Shut-in members. Also, A BIG THANK YOU to Ricky & Beverly Waibel, Jaclyn Wonderly and Paul & Wendy Hoppel for delivering the cookies and Christmas cards. Everyone was gracious for the Homemade Cookies & couldn't thank the Church enough for the thoughtfulness!

They all want to Wish Everyone a Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year!



### **THANK YOU FROM BUZZ HILL**

Special thanks to the Youth Group, Their Families & Leaders for the delicious cookies. It was great! We really appreciate and enjoy them!  
Buzz & Carolyn Hill

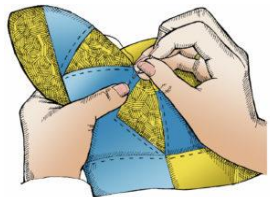


### MONTHLY GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

The Monthly Grief and Loss Support Group at JUCC meets twice a month – on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm, and the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 6:30pm. The group is presently being held on a web platform. Directed by professional counselor, Sue Featro, M.E.D., E.D.D., M.S. Counseling, this group is for people experiencing grief due to trauma, loss or death. It is an effort to assist people in the surrounding community to heal and find peace. **Please contact the church office for the link, or check for the invitation link on our Facebook page.** People are managing to find and make use of this important ministry. Thanks to God and to the members of JUCC who make it possible!



### JUCC QUILT & CRAFTS GROUP



QUILTING GROUP

Our group will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month (January 13<sup>th</sup> and January 27<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.). We have a variety of crafts happening, from quilting to cross stitch to bag making. We welcome any crafters to join us. Some friends just stop by to hang out with our lively group - that is good, too! Social distancing is easy in the church basement, with each person having at least one large table to work on. Call Shelba if you need further information: 610/704-3756.



**Friday January 14, 2022 at 6pm**

**In the Church Sanctuary**





## **JANUARY FLOWERS & BULLETINS SPONSORS**

**January 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Jamie and Darren Rockwell in honor of Blair Rockell's birthday

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**January 9<sup>th</sup>** – Tammy Landon in honor of son Cory

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**January 16<sup>th</sup>** – Jillian Adamson in honor of wedding anniversary on January 17<sup>th</sup>

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**January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Rick & Lisa Williams in memory of their son Seth

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**January 30<sup>th</sup>** – No Sponsor



### **THERE ARE NUMEROUS DATES AVAILABLE FOR FLOWERS & BULLETIN SPONSORS FOR 2022?**

If you are interested in sponsoring flowers & bulletins (\$35 donation) for a Sunday in 2022, please contact Jillian Adamson at the church office. She can be reached by phone at 610-681-4412 or by e-mail at [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net).



#### **JANUARY SCRIPTURE READERS**

**January 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Kim Williams

**January 9<sup>th</sup>** – Lynn Mastio Rice

**January 16<sup>th</sup>** – Steph Anderson

**January 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Ed Brader

**January 30<sup>th</sup>** – Kim Williams



#### **PLEASE CONSIDER...**

**Volunteering to read scriptures  
at our 10:00am Sunday service.**

We are always in need of  
readers and would love to have  
some new voices!

Contact Jillian at the church  
office for available dates!



**SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2022**



Master Poet. Fearless Warrior. Anointed King. From still waters to shadowed valleys, David's ascent to the throne is filled with towering giants, wild animals, and Philistine soldiers.

After unprecedented victories lead to devastating failures, this passionate warrior will face the biggest battle of all: the one with himself. Come alongside this young shepherd on his journey to become a man after God's own heart.

**\$130 Per Person includes Bus, Lunch, and Show**

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| 8:00 AM  | Depart Jerusalem United Church      |
| 10:00 AM | Arrive at Sight and Sound Theatre   |
| 11:00 AM | Showtime                            |
| 2:00 PM  | Lunch Smorgasbord at Hershey Farms  |
| 3:30 PM  | Depart Hershey Farms                |
| 4:00 PM  | Kitchen Kettle Village for Shopping |
| 5:30 PM  | Depart for Home                     |
| 7:30 PM  | Approx. Arrival at Jerusalem Church |

For Tickets Please Call Steph Anderson @ 610-597-0405





## **Register Tape CHANGES !!!!!!!**

### **Kinsley's Shoprite: Brodheadsville ONLY.**

**NO other stores such as Giant, Other Shoprite stores/locations.  
NO Senior Citizens Discounts, Pharmacy sales slips, Alcohol sales.**

### **Weis: Brodheadsville ONLY.**

**NO other Stores or Locations accepted.  
Senior Citizens Discount slips ARE acceptable.  
NO Pharmacy sales slips, Alcohol sales or Gas sales slips.**

#### **Has your contact information changed?**

If your mailing address, phone number or email address have changed please contact the church office to update your information. 610-681-4412 or [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net)



If you have an article to submit for the February Newsletter, please email it to Jillian, our church secretary, by **Friday, January 21, 2022.**

FMI call 610-681-4412 or email [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net)



If you don't already receive "The Traveler" Newsletter by email and would like to, please send a request to [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net)



**Check JUCC Facebook page or website for updates on cancellations, changes, delays or postponements.**



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