The Church of the Nativity & St. Stephen
Second Sunday After Christmas Day   January 5, 2020

To seek and serve Christ through service to others.
To manage responsibly the financial resources of our parish as loving and caring stewards.
To welcome and involve all persons into our parish family valuing both diversity and unity.
To enable nurture and learning in the Episcopal heritage of Scripture, tradition and reason.
To foster a community of faith for worship, spiritual growth, ministry and mission.

Please remember a reverent silence and respect for those who wish to pray before mass.
Before Mass, we speak to God. During Mass, we listen to God. After Mass, we listen and speak to each other.

The Rev. Rebecca Myers - Rector
Rebecca is available Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Her sabbath days will typically be Monday and Friday. You can reach her via email at nativityrector87@gmail.com or by phone 717-433-1556.

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Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hymn
“Brightest and best” Hymnal 117

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation and Response BCP 355
Collect for Purity BCP 355
“Glory to God” S 280
Collect of the Day insert

First Reading:
Jeremiah 31:7 - 14 insert

Psalm 84 insert

Second Reading:
Ephesians 1:3 – 6, 15 – 19a insert

Gradual Hymn
“We three kings” Hymnal 128

The Holy Gospel:
Matthew 2:13 – 15, 19 - 23 insert

Sermon The Rev. Rebecca Myers

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

Prayers of the People
Lord, have mercy.

Confession and Absolution BCP 360

The Peace (Stand and greet each other.) BCP 360

MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Offertory Sentence BCP 376

Offertory Hymn
“How lovely is thy dwelling-place” Hymnal 517

The Doxology Hymnal 380, v3

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

The Holy Eucharist II
Lift up your hearts Sursum corda

Sanctus “Holy, holy, holy Lord” S 125

Consecration BCP 362

S 118 Conclusion of Eucharistic Prayer and Amen

The Holy Eucharist I

The Lord’s Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem
Agnus Dei “Lamb of God” S 161

Ministration of Communion

Prayer after Communion BCP 365

Recessional Hymn
“On this day” Hymnal 92

The Dismissal BCP 366
Announcements

G.I.F.T.: Growing in Faith Together
Godly Play will be January 12, 19 and 26.

Parlor People will resume next week with discussions on the Gospel of John.

At Church of the Nativity

Altar flowers are given in memory of Elmer G. and Hazel L. Yocum by Connie and Jan Yocum.

Today we take an additional offering for Caring for Nativity's Neighbors Heating and Health.
Donations are sent to Join Hands, so people in our community have support for their needs.

Today we will un-decorate the church.

Autumn & Canyon Moore of Buffalo Mountain Bluegrass Band will join us on Sunday, January 19.

During 2020, we will be celebrating baptism on January 12, April 12, May 31 and November 1.
Let Rebecca know if you or someone you know would like to be baptized on any of these days.

Upcoming Meetings
Each Sunday, 4pm, Perry County PRIDE
Wednesday, January 22, 1pm, Vestry
Thursday, January 23, 2 – 4pm, Clergy Council

Join Us For Breakfast! Wednesdays at 9am.
Next breakfast will be this Wednesday, January 8.
Women will meet at Bitting’s. Men meet at Espresso Yourself Café.

Taize’ Tuesdays, 4:45pm.
Twenty minutes of Centering Prayer followed by a Taize’ service.

All who have been baptized by water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, are welcome to receive communion.
You may receive bread only or bread and wine. You may receive the wine by common cup or by dipping your wafer into the chalice. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward and cross your arms across your chest.

Wednesday, January 8, Commons activity, Board games and lunch.
See Wendy, Sue or Lynne if you’d like to help.

From the Diocese

Discipleship Learning Day,
Saturday, January 11, 9am – 3pm,
St. Stephen Lutheran Church, New Kingston
The Stevenson School for Ministry in partnership with the Lower Susquehanna Synod-ELCA will offer a spiritual practice learning day. Presenters will be The Rev. Marsha Roscoe, The Rev. Richard Jorgensen and The Rev. Canon Chris Streeter. Cost is $35. Register at: https://www.cvent.com/events/discipleship-learning-day/registration-0521c77a70d14323b96a14cf9016e2d.aspx?fgp=true

The Stevenson School for Ministry offers Shaped by Faith Learning Opportunities

Community Events and Opportunities for Service

The Episcopal Home Residents are in need of donations that help make a resident’s day better and brighter.
We are asking for donations of:
Depends Undergarments (women’s M, L, XL), Disposable Bed Underpads, Toothpaste, Dove Soap, Toothbrushes, Mouthwash (personal size), Glue Sticks, Adult Coloring Books, Nail Polish (clear and light colors) Word Search Books (not crossword) Diabetic Candy (individually wrapped), Bingo Prizes These may be delivered to the Home or ordered online and sent to the Episcopal Home at 206 Burd St., Shippensburg PA 17257.

CCU is again forming a Unity Choir to perform at the 2nd Annual “Lift Every Voice” MLK Day Service on the evening of Jan. 20 at First Christian Church, 442 Hummel Ave. Lemoyne.
The choir will meet at 6:30 pm on Jan. 6 and Jan. 13 at the church to practice two songs. If you are not a singer, you are still welcome to attend the event on the 20th, which will be begin with a panel discussion at 6 pm followed by refreshments and concluding with the worship service at 8 pm. For more information, contact CCU Executive Director Darrel Reinford at dreinford@ccuhbg.org or 717-230-9550.
Volunteers are needed to help support a new CCU Winter Overnight Shelter that has opened in Harrisburg to serve women and non-binary people. The shelter will be open through March 31 so there is a place for these individuals to get out of the cold overnight. The shelter is located in the Wesley House of Grace United Methodist Church on State St. and volunteers provide intake and hospitality to guests from 7:30 – 10:30 pm each night. The next orientation for volunteers will be on Monday, Jan. 6 from 6 – 7:30 pm at the shelter. To register for the orientation or for more information about the shelter contact Shelter Coordinator Gillian Sumpter at gsumpter@ccuhbg.org or 717-770-9189.

Service Participants
Greeters: Roger and Anne Chappelka
Lector: Mary Price
Prayers of the People: Gail Shull
Acolyte: Elizabeth Hoover
Eucharistic Minister: Shannon Burns
Organist: Sue Beamer
Verger: Bill Rohm
Refreshments: Wendy and Kay
Counters: Gail and Lynne

Vestry
Jill Hoover – Sr. Warden
Bill Day – Jr. Warden
Kay Cramer
Charlene Robbins
Todd Saner
Gail Shull
Bill Rohm – Secretary
Wendy Day - Treasurer