

The Search committee is asking for prayer.

Please pray with us:

Oh Merciful Father, Emmanuel....Alleluia!

We worship and glorify You. Thank You for sending Your Son Jesus. Renew our minds that we may have wisdom to know what is Your will, what is good, acceptable and perfect in Your ways. We pray for our spirit filled search committee to remain focused on You. Help us to walk in obedience as we make decisions for our St. Thomas family. Show us the path You have prepared for us and lead us to walk in it. Provide us with a gifted teacher and preacher that will keep us in Your word. We believe and pray in Your Holy name Jesus, Amen



**Out of the mouths of children,
You have perfected praise.**

A child's prayer:

Dear Lord, This year has been sad. I miss Mom Mom and Pop Pop. I haven't see them in like forever. But I know you are taking good care of them. This Christmas my prayer is for all sick people to get better so we can see each other again. And a little snow would be extra special.

Prayer by Matthew Perno

The **2021 offering envelopes** are ready to be picked up in the library. If you cannot find your envelopes or need to make changes, contact the church office at 610-488-6702.

*Today we continue to celebrate
Christmas – and God's lavish gift
of love, Jesus. Welcome!*

Out of concern for the health and welfare of all members of our church family, wearing masks or face shields in now required at all times inside our church building - throughout services of worship (*including singing*), during meetings (*regardless of the number of people involved*), and during all other gatherings. Masks are available at the entrances to the church and in the library. Church leaders will offer masks to you if you are not wearing a face covering. Your cooperation during this most challenging time is greatly appreciated.

Copies of all hymns are available at the front entrance and in the library. The words will also be on the screen in the front of the sanctuary. Please refrain from using the hymnals unless it is necessary.



In order to better protect our children and volunteers during these COVID-19 restrictions, the nursery will not be staffed by St. Thomas volunteers. However, parents are welcome to use the nursery if needed. We do ask that you stay with your child and not leave them unattended. The nursery will be cleaned each week upon use for your protection. Thank you.

Trustee of the week: Jason Leonhard – 484-651-0237

Please have all announcements/inserts for Sunday's bulletin in the office by Wednesday.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday - 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

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Attendance: 8:00 - 29 9:30 - 60
Communed: 29 59



**Christmas Program
January 10, 2021
9:30 a.m.**

St. Thomas Church
Bernville, PA
Pastor, Rev. Stephen Hollinger

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Postponed Christmas Eve Service
9:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

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Welcome and Announcements
New Consistory and Endowment Member Dedication

Worship and Praise

† Midnight Clear
† Joy to the World, Unspeakable Joy
† Prayer

The Christmas Dilemma

Matthew 1:18-25
JOSEPH – The Dilemma of Doubt
Not That Far From Bethlehem ~ Vocal Solo

Luke 1:26-35; 37
MARY – The Dilemma of Saying Yes
Mary, Did You Know ~ Hand Chimes

Luke 2:1-7
INNKEEPER – The Dilemma of Belief
The Innkeeper's Song ~ NGC Choir

Luke 2:8-20
SHEPHERD – The Dilemma of Joy
Gesu Bambino ~ Trumpet Duet

Matthew 2:1-2; 7-12
WISEMAN – The Dilemma of Obedience
What Is That Star? ~ A Capella Choir

Pastor's Reflection

Candlelight Service

Prayer
Christmas Eve Medley
† Benediction

† (If you are able, please rise)

*A special thank you to all the
participants in the
Christmas Eve program.*

The altar flowers are presented by Darryl and Susan Himmelberger.

The rose is presented in honor of the 92nd birthday of Betty Henne by her family.

If you are accompanying children, please refrain from handing them their flameless candles until it is time for the candlelight portion of the service to begin. Also, please return your candles to the baskets at the exits as you depart. Thank you.



1/13 – Irene Blatt

This Week at St. Thomas

Today: NO 8:00 Service or Sunday School
Special Christmas Program - 9:30 a.m.
Install Consistory and
Endowment Members
Herald Financial Reports are due
2020 Giving Statements in Library

Monday: Time of Prayer
in Beatrice Hall - 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.
Cub Scouts - 6:00 p.m.
Endowment Meeting (B8) - 6:30 p.m.
Consistory Meeting in
Beatrice Hall - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday: Boy Scouts - 6:45 p.m.

Wednesday: TOPS - 8:00 a.m.
Bible Study & Prayer
in Sanctuary - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday: Jubilation Ringers (Bell Choir) - 6:15 p.m.
Music Activities - 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday: Contemporary Service - 8:00 a.m.
Traditional Service - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School (Beatrice Hall) - 9:30 a.m.

The 2020 giving statements will be available for pick-up in the library today. Only the person/persons listed on the envelope may receive it. Parents may, however, take their minor children's statement.



For information about the cancellation of services, check WEEU, WFMZ-TV, the Church Website, St. Thomas Facebook page, or our answering machine.

Prayer Requests

Current: Marilyn Burkhart Family, Franklin Bubbenmoyer Family, Joe Smith, Paul Murphy, Sandra Fox, Charles Seifrit, Arthur Smith, Earl Bond, Scott Bond, Lillian Madeira, Barry Himmelberger, Eleanor Stickler

Long Term: Sylvia Snyder, Christine Ryan, Jennifer Lebo, John Bartsch, Bud Snyder, Phyllis Krause, Sandra Bond

Nursing Home / Homebound: Betty Koller, Pat Miller, Bob & Miriam Krippelbauer, Lydia Haag, Kim Kissling

Other: Missionaries, Care Givers, Persecuted Church, Our Country, Pastor Search Committee

Military: Brandon Adams, Joshua Giorgio, Nathaniel Giorgio, Michael Giorgio, Ryan Loucks, Clinton Keeney, Nicholas Englehart, Disabled Veterans



St. Thomas parking lot
10 a.m. to noon
January 22



Adult & Teen Challenge is in need of calendars and greeting cards of all types: holiday, birthday, thank you, etc. Drop off in the box on the office door on Sunday or, the office is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 12 noon to drop them off.