We are delighted to invite you to McDonald Presbyterian Church-Trinity Center for a community choir cantata presentation of “Night of the Father’s Love” by Pepper Choplin. There are members of several local churches participating in this beautiful music event. The presentation will tell the story of the first Christmas through song, narration and drama. Please plan to join us on Saturday, December 9 at 7:30pm. Refreshments will be shared following the program. For more information call (724) 926-8561.

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION SERVICE - DECEMBER 17**

On Sunday, December 17 Pastor Justin will deliver a first person narrative message as Joseph. Following the worship service, we will have a Christmas covered dish dinner in Calvary Center Fellowship Hall. This is an annual treat that allows us to celebrate Christmas with those who have become our extended family. If your last name begins with A-H, please bring a side dish; if your last name begins with I-Q, please bring a dessert; and if your last name begins with R-Z, please bring a vegetable. This would be a great Sunday to reach out to your neighbors and friends and invite them to hear the message and share a meal with us!

Since Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year, we will be holding three separate worship services. We will have our usual 10:45 worship in the morning. There will be no Sunday School that day. We will then have our Family Candlelight Service at 5:00pm, and our Traditional Candlelight Service at 11:00pm. Please plan to join us for one, or all, of these services as we herald the birth of our Savior.
The Heart of Christmas

O Star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy Perfect Light

The heart of Christmas is so beautifully displayed in the wonder that a child has when gazing upon beautiful Christmas decorations. We have begun our decorating in the Amsler home and Selah was mesmerized by the first glimpse of decorations that had been placed as she was sleeping. The wonder and the joy that filled her as she gazed upon the beautiful decorations was priceless. She understands and recognizes beauty at four years of age. How powerful it is that that beauty is directly connected with the message of Christ, and as she experiences Christmas she has a window through which to view the beauty of her Savior. Jesus is our Star of Wonder, and my hope is that my heart and all our hearts will be filled with a sense of awe and gratitude for what Christ has done for us. Each of us should be in pursuit of that childlike awe that comes when we behold our Savior for who he really is, God in human form. Like the wise men spoken of in this Christmas carol, we seek to bring gifts to Jesus this Christmas, we seek to lay our hearts open before him and allow him the space to fill us with wonder and with grace. As we all seek to order our lives in such a way that we may be able to celebrate the birth of Christ and spend special times with our family, may we each allow Christ to guide us in paths of wonder and of generous gift giving to our newborn king.

Christmas Blessings,
Pastor Justin

Stump the Pastor - Advent Season

We are again looking forward to Advent Season and Pastor Justin leading the Young Disciples Time each Sunday morning. Each week a child will be chosen to bring a secret item in a bag to present on Sunday morning. Pastor Justin will rely on the Holy Spirit to inspire him with a children’s message using that item as an object lesson for the Gospel and the Christmas story. This tradition is a delight to the children and the whole church. If your family receives the honor to try to Stump the Pastor, please be creative when choosing your item.
OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UPDATE

A sincere THANK YOU is sent to the MPC congregation for your loving response to O.C.C. this year. God’s provision and your generosity enabled us to pack 596 gospel opportunities at our packing party this year!

Additional shoebox gifts from the congregation and friends put our total at 661!

We are blessed to have a great start with pencils and pencil cases for next year.

Please continue to pray for all Operation Christmas Child volunteers and, most importantly, for the children who will receive a shoebox. May they come to know and accept Christ because of our simple gifts!

Michelle Unruh and Jamie Wilson would like to publicly thank the following businesses who generously donated shoeboxes, filler items, gift cards or made cash donations (for shipping). This year the project was especially blessed by:

V. Lynne Cochran, DMD  
Costco (N. Fayette)  
Day Apollo  
Delta USA, Inc.  
Giant Eagle (McDonald)  
Kroger (Weirton)  
R. Lancione, DDS  
Lowe’s (N. Fayette, Scott Twp., Steubenville & Washington)  
McDonald Pharmacy  
Shop ’N Save (Imperial)  
The Home Depot (Bethel Park, Bridgeville & Washington)  
Walmart (Scott Twp and Weirton)

** Thank you to all the individuals, families, and groups who helped prepare for and/or attended the packing party and/or volunteered at the Relay Center last month.

Your service is immeasurable and sincerely appreciated! **

A 2018 donation schedule will be printed in February. In January, Ida Galicic will be starting to crochet hats for next year’s shoeboxes. If you would like to donate (Red Heart) 4-ply yarn to this special part of the project, please see Ida or Michelle.

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” Galatians 6:9
CHILDREN’S MINISTRY UPDATE

November was a special month in Children’s Ministry. We spent a Sunday morning packing shoeboxes for children around the world that don’t know Jesus. We spent another Sunday practicing for our December 9 Cantata. If your child will be in the Cantata, be sure they attend Sunday School on December 3 and the additional practices during the week of December 3. Syndria Lowe, our Choir Director, will provide all the information needed.

In December we will continue Stump the Pastor during Young Disciples (give a whisper to Pastor Justin or Karin Munoz if you would like your child to be picked). On December 3, our Children’s Church will walk to Paulin Personal Care and HaveLoch Commons for caroling. Make sure your child has warm clothing on that day. There will be NO children’s Sunday School or Children’s Church on December 24. We will celebrate our Family Christmas Eve Candlelight service at 5:00pm that evening.

Children’s Sunday School is still looking for some volunteers. Talk to Karin Munoz for more information.

On January 14 we will have communion training after Worship with Reverend Justin for anyone in 4th grade (or who has not had communion training). Fourth Grade is a milestone when children are invited to stay in the sanctuary for the sermon. We would like to give your child an introduction to what communion is before taking their first communion or before they begin taking communion regularly. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins or talk to Reverend Justin or Karin Munoz. We require an RSVP to communion training to provide enough materials.

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MCDONALD FOOD BANK

McDonald Food Bank requests donations of cereal and breakfast products during the month of December, and cereal and juices during the month of January.

Donations are collected in the Calvary Center Parlor.

Please see Ed Nalesnick if you have any questions.
On Sunday November 19, we welcomed several new Covenant Partners to our congregation.

Wes & Traci Batchelder
Matt & Adrienne Frazier
Elsie Kovach
Bob & Jill Parkison
Jane Worthington

Please take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome each of them to the MPC family.

CALLING ALL BAKERS!
Cookies are being served after the Christmas Cantata on December 9. Cookie donations will be gratefully accepted that evening. Just bring a dozen or two when you come for the concert. Thank you so much!

And while you’re baking cookies for the Cantata and Christmas, we are in need of volunteers for Hospitality on December 31. If you think you can help out on this date, please contact Debbie Elicker.

YOUth GROUP ICE SKATING PARTY
reNEW members will be headed to PPG Place on Sunday December 3 for an afternoon skating party. Departure time from Trinity Center is 3pm with an approximate return time of 8pm. Don’t miss out! Plan to join your friends for fun and fellowship at PPG Skating Rink.

Christmas Poinsettias
Order sheets for Christmas Poinsettias are available outside the New Beginnings Room. Deadline to order is Sunday December 10. Poinsettias will be displayed in church on December 17 & 24. See Nancy Turk if you have any questions.

MPC CHRISTMAS POST OFFICE
We’ve recruited a special elf (Melanie Russi) to coordinate our MPC Christmas Post Office this year. The Post Office will be open to receive and distribute cards on December 10 and December 17. We all know that elves like to keep busy, so address those cards soon and bring them to church in the next couple of weeks.

Merry Christmas!

Several years ago we asked the members of our congregation to contribute angel Christmas ornaments to the church to start an angel tree. The donor’s name was attached to the ornament and many of them were given in memory of someone or to honor someone. Since we have many new members, we wanted to again offer the chance to donate an angel ornament. It is any ornament of your choosing and since they are all so different, as we are all different, it is a joy to look at them. All of us serve as “angels” at different times in someone’s life and this is a tribute to all the angels in our church family. Just bring the angel to church on any Sunday and give to Linda Matchett.
2018 FLOWER CHART

The new flower chart is available near the New Beginnings Room. The cost is $50 for two vases. If you would like only one vase, please find a partner to purchase the second vase.

ECO Annual Dues

As members of *A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians*, we are blessed to receive various types of support from our denomination. The Session is asking that each Covenant Partner take the time to submit his/her share through the envelope marked for this purpose. The recommended gift for 2018 is $15 per member. We are proud to be part of the ECO and look forward to seeing our denomination flourish.

THE CASE FOR GRACE

Join us as we discover the “how” and “why” behind God’s redeeming love as we study Lee Strobel’s, *The Case for Grace*. Traveling 16,470 miles to uncover powerful personal stories from across the world, Strobel offers the experiences of orphans, addicts, wayward children, prisoners, and murderers as examples of God’s amazing grace. Each interview reveals a different aspect of the Lord’s forgiveness - and its transforming power in lives and relationships.

Currently, we are seeking group leaders who will make a commitment to lead through this engaging 9-week study which will begin the week of January 21, 2018. Books will be available for purchase in January.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A congregational meeting will be held on Sunday January 21 following our worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to approve changes to our by-laws and elect new officers.

These officers will be ordained/installed during our worship service on January 28.
Elders and Deacons
A New Leadership Model for McDonald Presbyterian Church
ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians

Presbyterian Polity has a firm Biblical foundation in the oversight of the local church being placed in the hands of elected elders who are faithful believers, always maturing in their walk with our Lord Jesus Christ. The balance between Lay Elders and Teaching Elders or Ordained Pastors is essential to maintaining a healthy congregation. We are also blessed to have the ministry of Deacons who care for and serve the members of the congregation and our community in many different ways. Both of these offices are ordained positions of leadership within the congregation and serve vital roles for our health and mission. In our local context, we have Trustees who care for the buildings and grounds for the great purpose of having a facility that meets the needs of our mission.

It is our common belief that the Presbyterian form of Government is quite effective and produces a healthy church when implemented well. It is also our hypothesis that over time too many responsibilities were adopted into the job description of the Session when those responsibilities should have been delegated out to the pastor and other Covenant Partners and staff members of the congregation. The impact of this is that the most important functions of the church are most likely to be carried out by just a few people thereby limiting the ministry of the congregation. If we take a step back and make a few adjustments to this system, our belief is that we will be able to operate with greater accountability, authority, and effectiveness. This increased accountability and authority will unleash our congregation for mission and ministry beyond that which we have been able to accomplish up to this point.

To address these concerns, we have adapted our current practices to fit with the heart and intention of our leadership model. The Session will be made up of six ruling elders and the Pastor or Teaching Elder who is ordained and installed by the Presbytery on behalf of the congregation. Both the Teaching Elder and the Ruling Elders will have voice and vote at the called meetings of the Session. The Teaching Elder will serve as the moderator of all formally called Session meetings. The Session will also adopt a policy for and choose from among themselves a Lead Elder to speak on their behalf. The Session is responsible for all of the activities and obligations of the congregation—spiritual, corporate, financial, and otherwise. However, the Session will delegate many of the operational responsibilities of the church to the ministry of Deacons through the leadership of the Pastor. With most of the day-to-day duties needed for operations delegated to other leaders, Session members are released to govern the church with wisdom and care. They will serve as the spiritual leaders of the congregation and will concern themselves with long-term mission and vision as well as the ongoing health of the church. They will encourage and empower the Pastor and Deacons to do all that is necessary to allow for congregational flourishing, being particularly concerned with the making of more disciples for our Lord Jesus Christ. The Session will be wholly dedicated to the flourishing of the congregation and will be very actively involved in its spiritual life through leading, teaching, mentoring, and developing leaders. The Session will interact directly with the Pastor and will hold him or her accountable for increasing the health of the church and for accomplishing the various goals set out by the Session.

The key to this new system of leadership is a new Ministry of Deacons who will be the key staff and volunteer leaders over the operations and mission work of the congregation. The Pastor will serve as the Director of the Deacons. Each Deacon will hold a position of leadership, directed and authorized by the Pastor. Each deacon will also have one or more teams of people who will serve alongside them. The Ministry of Deacons will include the leaders of every key area of the congregation including: Worship, Music, Member Connections, Missions, Students, Children, Seniors, Small Groups, Care, Hospitality, Facilities, Administration, Finance and other leaders as needed. Deacons will be appointed by the pastor, confirmed by the Session and welcomed by the congregation. Deacons will make an initial two-year commitment but will have no formal terms of service. Deacons serve at all times with the
continued confidence of the Pastor and the Session with their responsibilities designated by the Pastor. Participation in called meetings of the Deacons is not restricted to those ordained and installed but may include others at the discretion of the pastor. In the past, Deacons were organized as a "Deacon's Board" with a moderator and with voice and vote for each member, in other words the Deacon Board was its own collective decision making body. This will not be the mode of operation for the new Ministry of Deacons. The ministry will operate off of the delegated authority of the Session through the Pastor. As the Deacons meet on a regular basis, there will be a great amount of synergy among the members and substantial freedom within each area of responsibility for the use of creative methods in ministering to our community. Our current Deacon Board will no longer have the same title but will continue their ministry of care and visitation under the direction of the Deacon who has responsibility for the Care Ministry. Those ordained as Deacons will continue to maintain their ordination as a Deacon for as long as they are Covenant Partners. In a similar way, our Trustees will continue to maintain our facilities but will be directly accountable to the Pastor and the Deacon that oversees them. These changes add another layer of leadership to our structure that hopefully will propel us forward in a significant way.

This model actually functions well within the historic roles that each of the ordained offices should hold. See the below text from a famous manual on elders published in 1831.

There are two types of elder; the teaching elder and the ruling elder. An excerpt from Miller (1831) expands this.

In every Church completely organized, that is, furnished with all the officers which Christ has instituted and which are necessary for carrying into full effect the laws of his kingdom, there ought to be three classes of officers, viz: at least one Teaching Elder, Bishop, or Pastor — a bench of Ruling Elders — and Deacons. The first to "minister in the Word and Doctrine", and to dispense the sacraments; — the second to assist in the inspection and government of the Church; — and the third to "serve tables"; that is, to take care of the Church's funds destined for the support of the poor, and sometimes to manage whatever relates to the temporal support of the gospel and its ministers.

CHOIR REHEARSAL SCHEDULES

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DECEMBER CANTATA REHEARSALS

Monday, December 4 - 6:30pm for Narrators, Actors, Sound Team, Animal Coordinator and Costume Team
Monday, December 4 - 7:00 to 9:00pm for all Choir, Angels and Shepherds

Please be prompt for this dress rehearsal

Wednesday, December 6 - 7:00pm Dress Rehearsal - all will be notified on Monday night if this additional rehearsal is needed

The January Choir Rehearsal schedule has not yet been set.

Keep an eye out later in December for announcements in the weekly bulletins for dates and times of choir practice.
My heartfelt thanks to all of my church family at McDonald Presbyterian Church.

Your thoughts, prayers and cards are so precious to me.

John touched so many and we are thankful for his presence in our lives.

God Bless You All,

Carol McCarty & Family

Greetings McDonald Church Family!

We so appreciate your September gift for our ministry and your faithfulness to send gifts for us all through the year!

Sending our love to you!

Melanie, Don & Jack Roths
Cru International
Pacific Islands Regional Team

Thank you! Your church sent more than five campers to Pine Springs Camp during the summer of 2017! We are so thankful for your support and desire to help Pine Springs Camp give campers a “vital encounter with Jesus Christ.” Since 1948, that has been our mission.

Having celebrated our 70th summer of ministry, we are excited about how God is going to continue to use this place to glorify His Name and share the Good News with campers of all ages! We know that Pine Springs Camp could not do what we do without the support of all of our churches! We are blessed that you see how the ministry of Pine Springs Camp can have a spiritual impact on the children, youth and families of your church. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel!

Michael Hurley, Summer Camp Director, Pine Springs Camp

Dear McDonald Presbyterian Church,

On behalf of the McDonald Area Redevelopment Association (MARA), we would like to take the opportunity to thank your congregation for their recent, very generous, $200 contribution to the McDonald Christmas Lights Fund.

Your financial assistance to this major community improvement project is very important to its success and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Your Christmas Lights Committee (Tim Thomassy, Gloria Stroop, Alice Thomassy, Dale Csonka, Ray Miller, Ruth Anne Williams, Marilyn Gilbert and Mike Schaal)
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Volunteers are love in motion.

~ Anonymous
DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jane Baker 12/1
Marlene Shupe 12/1
Logan Errett 12/2
Nicholette Hughey 12/4
Blake McElhaney 12/5
Christian Nation 12/7
Julia McCloud 12/10
Mallory Mohon 12/10
Karen Cooper 12/11
Stephanie Esposito 12/11
Randy Lauff 12/12
James Schafer 12/13
Molly Maxwell 12/14
Al Quevi 12/15
Laurain Lacotte 12/17
Charlene Potts 12/19
Dessie Almady 12/20
Jill Parkison 12/20
Noelle Bair 12/22
Duane Cole 12/23
Luke Gladden 12/25
Steve Plavetzky Jr. 12/26
Mary Catherine Garrett 12/27
David Hanczar 12/29
Brad Unruh 12/29
Ryan Carter 12/31
Terri Cole 12/31
Wayne Masquelier 12/31
Joy Snatchko 12/31

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Terri & Duane Cole 12/5
Ida & Raymond Galicic 12/21
Dana & Tim Motte 12/24
Sue & Greg Gilbert 12/28
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Robert Klimas 1/2
Amy Patishnock 1/2
Patricia Sember 1/2
Kamden Ware 1/2
Kristy Bennett 1/3
Patty Doane 1/3
Mary Hawes 1/5
Eleanora Little 1/9
Helen Catrain 1/14
Megan Esposito 1/14
Scott Ware, Jr. 1/14
Shirl Krenn 1/16
Dana Martin 1/17
Marcia Jewell 1/21
Roger McElhaney 1/25
Lucas Errett 1/27
Karen Irwin 1/28
Becky Gladden 1/31

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Diane & Jay Nation 1/10
Jill & Bob Parkison 1/15
### WEEKLY EVENTS

| SUNDAYS   | 9:30am Sunday School*  
|           | 10:45am Worship  
|           | 6:00pm reNEW**  
| TUESDAYS  | Children’s/Youth Choir  
|           | (See Schedule page 9)  
|           | Boy Scouts  
| WEDNESDAYS| Girl Scouts  
| THURSDAYS | Choir (See Schedule page 9)  
| FRIDAYS   | AA Trinity Center  

* No Sunday School on December 24  
** No reNEW gatherings on December 24/December 31  

### MONTHLY EVENTS

| December 3 | Communion  
| December 5 | Trustees’ Meeting (7pm)  
| December 7 & 21 | Paulin Bible Study (5:45pm Trinity)  
| December 11 | Finance Meeting (6:30pm)  
| December 12 | Dartball  
| December 13 | Office Staff Meeting (10am)  
| December 14 | Silver Souls Lunch (11:30am Trinity)  
| December 18 | Session Meeting (6:30pm)  
| December 21 | Lioness Meeting (7pm)  

### SPECIAL EVENTS

| December 2 | Nation Memorial Service (7pm)  
| December 3 | Advent/Stewardship Sunday  
| December 4 | Cantata Dress Rehearsal  
| December 9 | Christmas Cantata (7:30pm Trinity)  
| December 10 | Small Group Sign Up Day  
| December 17 | Christmas Luncheon  
| December 24 | Christmas Eve Worship Services (5pm & 11pm)  
| December 25-26 | Office Closed for Christmas Holiday  

The January Planning Calendar was not finalized when this newsletter edition went to print. Please be on the look out for the 2018 Planning Calendar which should be available in the coming weeks.

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- 6:00pm reNEW

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McDonald, PA 15057

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McDonald, PA 15057

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(724) 699-0157

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malisa@mcdonaldpres.org

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8:00 a.m. ~ 2:00 p.m.

Operations Officer ~ Tom Maxwell

Bookkeeper ~ Connie Buydasz
bookkeeper@mcdonaldpres.org

Director of Children’s Ministries ~
Karin Muñoz
karin@mcdonaldpres.org

Choir Director ~ Syndria Lowe

Assistant Choir Director ~
Heidi Adomshick

Organist ~ Donna Klimas

Custodial Staff ~
Pat Powell ~ Supervisor
Paul Winters

Newsletter Editor ~ Patty Doane

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DECEMBER 2017/JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

A Blessed and Merry Christmas to you from
the whole MPC Family
and Pastor Justin Amsler