

## December Prayer List

Anne C.	Dan S.	Jean	Ryan
Arnold	David S.	Jeff E.	Sandy B.
Bella R.	Deb	Jerry	Sharon
Betsy	Diane L.	Karen	Sheldon
Bob	DJ	Larry P.	Skip
Bonita M.	Donna A.	Laura	Sophia
Brian H.	Elizabeth	Lisa	Steve M.
Carole	Helen F.	Nancy G.	Walter M.
Dakota C.	James M.	Rick	Winnie D.

### We pray for those serving in the Military

Brian M.	Ian S.
Christopher	Matt B.
Connor W.	Michael D.
Dino M.	Ryan R.
Dylan	Will
Guy H.	

### We pray for...

- The victims of natural disasters
- The inmates at Hale Creek Correctional Facility
- Our NOAH participants
- Those who come to the Prayer Table on Wednesdays
- The young people in recovery groups
- The continued growth of our One Church Street ministries



*The flowers on the Main Altar are given in loving memory of Robert & Margaret Becker and Frank & Lillian Peters by Tony & Bonnie Peters*

*The flowers on the Columbarium are given in loving memory of Richard, Henrietta and James Becker By Tony & Bonnie Peters*

*Please remember those who cannot attend our services with a card or note.*

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## Hymns for Today's Service

Processional Hymn:

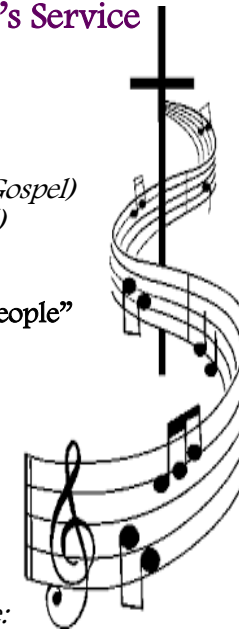
Gradual Hymn: 65  
*(Verse 1 & 2 before the Gospel)*  
*(Verse 3 after the Gospel)*

Anthem: "Comfort All Ye My People"  
*by Gabriel Faure*

Communion Hymns: 76  
324  
343

Recessional Hymn: 68

*Please note:  
Hymns are also posted at the front of the Sanctuary.*



### Weekly Finance Update

Dec. 3-9, 2017

Pledges:  
\$4,402.00

Rector's Discretionary Fund:  
\$300.00



## About Communion

### May I receive communion?

If you are a baptized Christian you are invited to receive communion, no matter what your affiliation.

### May my children receive communion?

Yes, if they receive communion at their own church. Some parents prefer their children receive first communion instruction prior to taking communion.

### If I choose to receive communion, how is it done?

The ushers will direct you to the center aisle. The consecrated Bread is received with both hands and carried to the mouth. The consecrated Wine is received lightly grasping the base of the chalice with one hand helping the minister to guide it to your lips and tipping it up until you receive enough.

### What if I don't wish to drink from the common cup?

You may dip the Bread in the Wine yourself, or leave the Bread in the palm of your hand. The minister with the Cup will pick up the Bread, dip it into the Wine and place it on your tongue.

### Must I receive consecrated Wine?

No, if you wish to receive only the Bread, simply pass by the station with the chalice, or cross your arms over your chest to let the chalice bearer know.

### What if I choose not to receive communion?

Then we invite you to receive a blessing at the altar. Kneel at the altar with those receiving communion, and cross your arms over your chest. The priest will give you a simple blessing. You can then stand up and return to your seat.

## Today

## December Events & Happenings

Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> • Dream-Catchers Celebration of Music for our Community • 3:00 p.m. • Grace Lutheran Church, Johnstown.

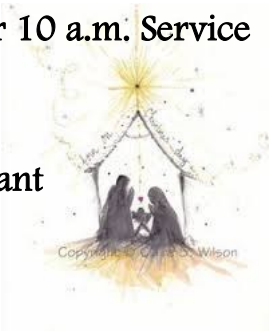
Our own Connie Chamberlain and Irena Garin are performing with the group.

Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> • During Sunday School and after 10 a.m. Service and

Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> • 10:00-11:00 a.m.

### Rehearsal for Children's Christmas Pageant

Questions? Please contact Lee Miller-Natola at 518-705-8459 or 518-762-8804.



Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> • Christmas Cookie Exchange/Sale

Between services and after the 10 a.m. Service

Bring four dozen cookies.

Special helpers Jane and Amy Williams will wrap for gift-giving!

Cookies are 50 cents each or \$5/dozen / Proceeds benefit NOAH

Questions? Contact Louise Darragh at 518-762-3648.



Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> • Greening of the Church • After 10 a.m. Service

Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> • Spread a Little Holiday Cheer! • 6 p.m.

You are invited to join us as we visit our shut-ins with a little song and prayer.

Sign up in the Hawkins Room.

Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> • Blue Christmas Service • 7:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church, Johnstown • Please see insert.



Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> • Christmas Eve Services • 8a.m. & 10a.m.

Music Concert • 10:30p.m. • Candlelight Services • 6p.m. & 11p.m.

Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> • Christmas Day Service • 10a.m.

## Ministry and Church Information

### Prayer Table Update

*This week two volunteers prayed for people.*

*Prayer volunteers for Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> are:*

*Mother Laurie and Claudette Mayer*



### Christmas Memorial Flowers

If you would like to give Christmas flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, forms and envelopes are available in the Narthex. Please fill out the form to let us know who you would like to memorialize or honor. We are asking for a \$20 donation, but any amount is welcome. Deadline for contribution is Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

### Looking for NOAH Team Members

Start the new year right by starting your own team or joining one already established to help prepare Sunday meals for those who are **Needy Or Alone and Hungry**. Contact Katy Grady for more information or to sign up at [mermaids148@hotmail.com](mailto:mermaids148@hotmail.com) or 518-229-2565.

### Hats and Mittens

For the month of December, the Outreach Committee is collecting hats and mittens for the Fulton County Mental Health Family Counselling Center



**2018 Stewardship Update as of Dec 2: 69 pledges totaling \$161,259.00**

**Thank you to all who have pledged so far!**

*If you requested pledge envelopes, you can pick them up in the Narthex.*

**Every pledge counts!**

*You may drop pledge cards in the of plate, bring them forward today or drop them at the office.*

*Extra pledge cards are available in the Narthex.*