



1 W. Wyomissing Ave., Mohnton, PA 19540

Dec. 15th, 2024 – Dec. 21st, 2024

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*Connect with God.
Connect with each other.
Connect with the community.*

All About the Christmas Season!

The Wyomissing Band, Inc.
presents a free
Christmas Concert
Sunday, December 15, 2024
3:00–4:30 p.m.

Zion E. C. Church
Church & Summit Streets
Mohnton, PA

*Donations of non-perishable items will be accepted for the
Mifflin Community Food Ministry,
which is housed at Zion E.C.*



December 15th, 2024

8:00AM ~ Praise Service

9:15AM ~ Sunday school

10:30AM ~ Traditional Service

Sermon Series:

Deck the Halls Wk. #3

Joy

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Calvary Christmas Card Exchange

Calvary is continuing our tradition of exchanging Christmas cards among our LOCAL church members and friends.

- Please alphabetize your cards.
- Remember to stop by the church narthex to check for any Christmas cards that may have been dropped off for you/your family!



7:00PM –

**Traditional
Candlelight
Communion**

w/ the Brass Ensemble before
& after the service.



DECEMBER

- 15 – Bryan Wagner
70 Carriage Cir.
Oley, PA 19547
- 15 – Lillian Burkhard
1 Sylvan Lane
Mohnton, PA 19540
- 16 – Ollie Baker
9 Bancroft Terrace
Shillington, PA 19607
- 18 – Isaac & Cody Stump
585 Wolfe Lane
Mohnton, PA 19540
- 19 – Joy Ruth
1435 W. Wyomissing Ct.
Reading, PA 19609
- 19 – John Bassetti
12 Eagles Lane
Sinking Spg, PA 19608
- 19 – Jamison Newton
509 Sycamore Rd.
Mohnton, PA 19540
- 20 – Abigail Fortunato
1737 Alden Ln.
Wyomissing, PA 19610
- 20 – Ella Hubric
5032 Cherrywood Dr.
Mohnton, PA 19540
- 21 – Jerry Pawlik
1213 Liberty Ave.
Kenhorst, PA 19607



December Mifflin Food Ministry Needs: Canned chicken breast, instant potatoes, canned yams, 100% Fruit Juice, Kleenex, canned pineapple, pasta sauce, canned peaches, stuffing, and cookie mix. Items needed by Fri., Dec. 20th. Place donations in the lower cabinets in the narthex.

Christmas Caroling at Berks Heim: ALL Calvary members and friends are invited to participate in Christmas caroling for the residents of Berks Heim (1011 Berks Rd., Leesport, PA) on Friday, Dec. 20th. Carpooling from the church; please be present by 1PM. If you have any questions, please call or text Pastor Nova at 201-699-6704.



Announcements

Sunday Potluck Lunches:

Following the 10:30AM service, on the 4th Sunday of every month to celebrate birthdays & share in fellowship!

Next potluck: Sun., 12/22
Church Christmas party
Bring a gift to exchange (\$20)



ADVENT DEVOTIONALS

Submitted by Calvary members & available on our website at calvaryumcmohnton.org (homepage slider)
From Sunday, Dec. 1st through Christmas Eve.

ENJOY!

Couples' Fellowship

Next dates
Fridays: Jan. 17th, 24th,
and Feb. 7th @ 7PM

Couples' Party
Friday, Feb. 14th

FUN!



Special Christmas Gifts

A variety of gifts may be given in honor of or in memory of loved ones. Please indicate your choice(s) below. **All gifts must be received by Wednesday, December 18th.** Checks may be made payable to "Calvary UMC" with the *gift designation in the memo section*.

The dedications will be printed in the *Calvary Connection* edition just prior to Christmas Eve.

_____ A Poinsettia to adorn the sanctuary (\$12 each)

_____ GSM Medical Camps (\$10)

_____ Safe Berks (formerly Berks Women in Crisis) (\$10)

_____ Mifflin Community Food Ministry (\$10) To help defray extra expenses at Christmas.

NAME: _____ Env. # _____
(if applicable)

IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

Please mail your donation and dedication(s) to:
Calvary UMC, Attn: J. Dearstyne, 1 West Wyomissing Ave., Mohnton, PA 19540



Remember to Send Holiday Cheer & Love to:

Please send these 1st class or hand deliver; do not place these in the Christmas card exchange.

Pegge Harshaw
Mifflin Court, Rm. 216
450 E. Philadelphia Ave.
Shillington, PA 19607

Suzie & John Maniaci
9 Bancroft Terrace
Shillington, PA 19607

Doris McCleary
230 Hawthorne Ct., N.
Wyomissing, PA 19610

Doris Metz
% Darryl Metz
407 Valor Dr.
Lititz, PA 17543

Janet Reppert
308 Maplewood Ave.
Mohnton, PA 19540

Shirley Ayrton
Health Center, Rm. 114
PO Box 125
Cornwall, PA 17016-0125

Michelle Daniels
4106 Lynn Ave.
Reading, PA 19606

Bonnie Ehst
Berks Heim, Room A206
1011 Berks Rd.
Leesport, PA 19533

Ginny Epps
Berks Heim, Room A317
1011 Berks Rd.
Leesport, PA 19533

Ron & Dawn Fox
2139 Reading, Blvd.
West Lawn, PA 19609

John & Dorismarie Rowe
Fairmount Health Center
333 Wheat Ridge Rd.
Ephrata, PA 17522

Doug & Alice Schonour
35 Sage Dr.
Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Lola Troutman
1 Summer Hill Drive
Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Karen Wade
616 Mull Ave.
Leesport, PA 19533

Sue Werner
Phoebe Berks Village Gardens
9 Heidelberg, Dr., Room 106
Wernersville, PA 19565

Mary Wooddell
806 Lakeview Dr.
Mohnton, PA 19540



Church Staff Opening

Janet Dearstyne will be retiring the end of March 2025. We are looking to hire someone for the role of Administrative Assistant to begin on March 1st. This will allow a period of transition.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Michelle Tomczak, SPRC Chair, at 484-650-0223. The job description is posted on the bulletin board near the end of the main hallway, by the restrooms.



In case of inclement weather, please tune into Channel 69 News and watch the lower scroll, and/or check our website for any worship service or meeting cancellations/delays. They will be posted on the **ORANGE** banner at the top of the home page.

The church office will follow the Governor Mifflin schedule for delays, early dismissals and cancellations.



"When Christ entered our world, he didn't come to brighten our Decembers but to transform our lives." ~Rich Miller

"The only thing of importance, when we depart, will be the traces of love we have left behind." ~Albert Schweitzer

"The greatest thing that we can do is to help somebody know that they're loved and capable of loving." ~Fred Rogers

A hobby turned ministry

The internet has transformed shopping, whether for Christmas, major purchases or even groceries. I've spent hours scrolling Facebook Marketplace for just the right new-to-me items. Hunting for a great deal or a unique piece is part of the appeal.

But after reading Philippians 2:4, I also began paying attention to the people I encountered along the way. "Don't look out only for your own interests," that verse says, "but take an interest in others, too" (NLT).

A retired couple all but invited me to dinner when I bought a lamp from them. I remember the woman's delight as she described her recipe. A young man with developmental challenges who sold me a video game communicated its quality much better than anyone I've encountered.

When a mom purchased some chairs from us, she shared her excitement while loading her van. Her family now had a "real home" after living in an RV during a tough time. Once I bought furniture from a woman who was visibly stressed, exhausted from helping her mother-in-law move out of state.

As my transactions turned into interactions, my heart was changing — for the better. My hobby became more enjoyable and meaningful as I took time to listen and care.

—Janna Firestone

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