

PAXTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Ministers ~ All Members

SESSION

Erika Hanes (Clerk of Session)

- Connie Cochran Evangelism & Membership
 - LaVerne Collins* Christian Education
 - Erin Giambrone* Mission & Outreach
 - Doug Hitz* Stewardship & Finance
 - Don Laughery Pastoral Relations & Staff
 - Rich Lengler* Property Management
 - Robert Martin Stewardship & Finance
 - David McPherson Worship & Music
 - Cindy Mory* Worship & Music
 - Gary Myers* Pastoral Relations & Staff
 - Blanche Skinner Property Management
 - Kristian Stennett* Evangelism & Membership
 - Kitti Taylor Christian Education
- *Chair

BOARD OF DEACONS

Pam & Louis Robertson (Co-Moderators)

- Nan Bonnet Sue McLain
- Linette Burd John Moyer
- Judy Daniels Wanda Newhouse
- Linda Flowers Leigh Ramsey
- Nino Giambrone Cathy Roland
- Marti Greiner Joy Stennett
- Jim Holtzman Bev Ziebell

**We are a Stephen Ministry Church
thankful for our Stephen Ministers
and Leaders**

STEPHEN LEADERS STEPHEN MINISTERS

- Helen Heidelberg Ronald Brinkley
- Gary Myers Craig Foster
- Jane Rising Karen Herrold
- Jane Sanford Cheryl Holtzman
- Janice Hutchison
- Annette Kilpatrick
- Bill LaDieu
- Donna Leaver
- Nancy Lengler
- Steve Miller
- Kathy Woodbridge



For confidential referral, or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister please contact a leader.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Sun 22 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:00 Music & Bell Service ~Advent IV
- 11:00 Sunday Snacks
- Tues 24 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- 6:30 Christmas Eve Worship
- 10:00 Christmas Eve Communion Worship
- Wed 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!
- Thur 26 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- Fri 27 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
- Sun 29 10:00 Worship
- 11:00 Sunday Snacks

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• **The 2020 Offering Envelopes are available in the Gathering Room. Please note that you have a new envelope number this year. Please include the new number on your checks. THANK YOU!**

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• **The 2020 Flower chart is on the bulletin board outside the church office. If you would like to place flowers in the chancel please sign up on the chart and fill in a blue contributor card and place it on the desk in the office. There is space for two contributors each Sunday. THANK YOU!**

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Please keep the Paxton Church Staff in your prayers.

- Pastor, The Reverend John W. Green*
- Director of Youth & Children's Ministries, Shawn Gray*
- Director of Music, Richard Fowler*
- Organist, Jeanne Bruce*
- Children's Music Leader, Melissa Dougherty*
- Treasurer, Laurence A. Kilpatrick, CPA*
- Office Staff, JoAnn Snyder, Financial Secretary*
- Judy Frankford, Church Secretary*
- Wedding Coordinator, Peg Elder*
- Custodian, Mary Bowers*

Paxton Presbyterian Church

Established 1732



FOURTH SUNDAY

OF

Advent

3500 Sharon Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111

717~561~0510, www.paxtonchurch.org

Bells, Carols and Choirs for Worship
December 22, 2019 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE "Partita on 'Adeste Fideles'" C. Callahan

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Shawn Gray and Family

* CAROL 133 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Ring bells on last verse)

"On Christmas Night" The Sussex Carol Paxton Chimettes

CAROL 132 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (Ring bells on the last verse)

"Angels We Have Heard on High" ~ arr. By Joel Raney
"Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow" ~ arr. By Cynthia Dobrinski
Paxtones

CAROL 119 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" (Ring bells on last verse)

"Joy to the World" ~ arr. John A. Behnke
Paxton Ringers

CAROL 113 "Angels We have Heard on High" (Ring bells on the Refrain)

"Gesu Bambino" ~ Petro Yon—arr. By Derric Johnson
Rachel Hitz, Janet Hitz and Adult Choir

"All Is Well" ~ Michael W. Smith—arr. by Lloyd Larson
Adult Choir and Cindy Green, Flute

"Gloria" ~ Michael W. Smith—arr. John Purifoy
Based on "Angels We Have Heard on High"
Paxton Singers and Adult Choir ~ John Palmer, Guitar

Nancy Hutchison, by Janice, Ian, Alli, Isla and Grace Hutchison and Amanda, Dustin and Gannon Nelson
Jack & Marielle, Giuliana and Alexandra, our grandchildren, by Jeanne and John Fortino
Members and friends of Paxton Presbyterian who have and are praying for me, offer rides, friendship, fellowship and Christian love, by Elsie Williams
My family and friends, by Jane Rising
Amanda Naylor, by Lorna K. Baer
Cassidy Naylor, by Lorna K. Baer
Douglas Naylor, by Lorna K. Baer
Ellen Baer Naylor, by Lorna K. Baer
Emily Elizabeth Naylor, by Lorna K. Baer
Our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, by David and Nancy Wion
Our dear grandchildren, Jude, Foster, Evangeline, Isaac, Vera, and Benjamin
Our first responders and military troops who keep us safe and free, by Judy Daniels
Our new member, Rick Bazdar, by Nan Bonnet
Our person, Jane Rising, by David and Nancy Wion
Paxton Youth Fellowship by Sue McLain
The recent marriage of Erin Palmer and Jonathan Redding, by Dawn and John Palmer
Robert L. Slagle, by Lorna K. Baer
Michael and Deborah Trephan
Lynda Vinton and Carolyn Kennedy, by Bob, Tara, Joe and Sam Frank



A most sincere thank you to all our Paxton bakers, customers and wonderful cookie committee: Trish Moore, Diane Jacobs, Sally Appleby, Bev Ziebell, Nan Bonnet, Jan Gough and Penny Knight.

We had another successful sale selling out 90% of our cookies by 10:00am! Our \$3208.00 profit will be used to benefit our beloved Paxton. We have already started planning for our next sale on December 12th, 2020. See you then!!! Janice Hutchison

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*Many thanks to all who donated gently used stuffed animals to our Mission project for Glad Dog Foundation. Four stuffed 55 gallon bags were delivered to the Philadelphia area non-profit which supports a variety of animal welfare initiatives.*

My wonderful parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins by Judy Daniels  
 My beloved husband, John Hitz, daughter, Kathleen, Samuel and Margie Deimler, and George Hitz and Elizabeth Hitz, by Millie Hitz  
 Daune Miller Palmer, by her loving children and grandchildren  
 Kilee Kathleen Peck, by Erin Peck and family  
 Ronald Lee Peck, by Erin Peck and family  
 Mom and Dad Pritchard, by Carol and children  
 Our Dad, Ed, by Carol and children  
 Our parents, Kathryn and Philip Wion and John and Elsie O'Hara, by David and Nancy Wion  
 Our parents, the Reindels and Rumbaughs, by Larry and Linda Brown  
 Our parents, Russell and Phyllis Chaffee and Jack Green, by John and Cindy Green  
 Our parents, Lucille and Paul Slade and Gertrude and Harry Bruce, and sister, Elynor Bruce Sutter, by Jeanne and Jim Bruce  
 Our parents and sister, by Warren and Helen Heidelbaugh  
 Harry Roadarmel, by Ruth Roadarmel  
 James and Helen Reynolds, by Mary Louise Walker  
 Esther S. Sanford, by Lorna K. Baer  
 Marian and William Sanford, Sr. and Esther Sanford, by Bill and Jane Sanford  
 Julie Sullivan, by Nancy Grogan  
 Joseph and Margaret and Michael Swistak, by the Lengler family  
 Luke Szekeres, by Lorna K. Baer  
 Mr. Clarence Tittle, by the Nguyen family  
 Edwin and Theresa Tittle, parents, by Bill and JoAnn Miller  
 Park and Elizabeth Trullinger and sister, Gail, by Park Trullinger  
 J. Robert Vinton and William E. and Brenda K. Vinton, by Bob, Tara, Joe and Sam Frank  
 Donald R. Walker, Sr., by Janet H. Walker and family  
 Richard and Louise Walker, by Mary Louise Walker  
 Vera Cresswell Wascher, by Ruth Roadarmel  
 Dale Williams, loving husband, Dad and Pappy, by Elsie Williams  
 Ron Wix, by Charlie and Cindy Mory  
 Craig Wood, by Tina Wood

THE POINSETTIA PLANTS IN THE SANCTUARY ARE PLACED IN HONOR OF THE FOLLOWING:

A very special friend to me, and many, by Marie B. Libhart and family  
 Kyle and Bryrony Baer, by Lorna K. Baer  
 Ron and Brenda Brinkley, by David and Nancy Wion  
 Donald Brown, by Tom and Donna Leaver  
 Michael and Lindsay DeRemer, by Lorna K. Baer  
 Family and friends, living and deceased, by Phyllis Finger  
 Nino and Erin Giambone, by Lorna K. Baer  
 Cole and Katie Glennon, by Lorna K. Baer  
 Millie Hitz, by Bruce and Cindy Cavanaugh

## PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Ave Maria"

Bach—Gounod

Nan Bonnet, Harpsichord ~ Cindy Green, Flute

\* HYMN OF DEDICATION (Tune "For the Beauty of the Earth")

**As they offered gifts most rare, at that manger rude and bare,**

**So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,**

**All our costliest treasures bring Christ to thee, our heavenly King. Amen.**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\* CAROL 134 "Joy to the World" (Ring bells on the last verse)

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE "O Come Let Us Adore Him" Adult Choir arr. Mick Cochran

\* POSTLUDE "Tocatta on 'Hark! The Herald Angels Sing'"

D. Bish

\* Those who are able may stand.

## CHRISTMAS AT PAXTON

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 ~ Christmas Eve**

**6:30pm**

**Family Worship**

**10:00pm**

**Communion Worship**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29 ~ Carol Sing ~ 9:45 ~ Worship 10:00**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 ~ New Year's Eve Communion Worship ~ 7:30pm**



**THANK YOU FOR VISITING WITH US TODAY!** We are happy to share this Sunday with you and hope you come back soon! Please fill out the yellow card and be sure to include your name, address, and phone number for our records. If you are interested in membership at Paxton Church, please indicate this when the friendship folder is passed or speak to the Pastor or Lector following worship.

**THE USHERS** joyfully serving the month of December: Stephen Brindle, Captain, Judy Frankford, Bill Gough, Thomas Leaver, Steve Miller, Gary Myers, Molly Reinhart, Marshall Snyder, Calvin Snyder, Kitti Taylor, Robert Woodbridge.

**TODAY** Pastor Green will greet at the parlor door, an usher will greet at the south door and an usher will greet at the porch door.

**DECEMBER'S COINS FOR CARING** ~ Since 1981, the St. Francis of Assisi Soup Kitchen on Harrisburg's Allison Hill has been a respite for the hungry and a model example of the Church's care for those in need. December's Coins for Caring will support the soup kitchen and help feed our hungry neighbors. Thank you for voluntarily sharing your spare change during this Christmas season.

**GIANT CARD SALES** for December 29 will be pre-orders only. Sign up TODAY! Thank you so much! PW of Paxton

### PRAYER SQUARE

***As Christians we are called to pray for everyone in a difficult time of life. To protect the privacy of those for whom we are praying we ask that permission be received before a name is placed for prayer request.***

Please keep the following members of Paxton in your prayers: Jo & Chuck Cain, Kathie Zimmerman, Nancy Wion, Christopher Bruce Family & Vera, Sally Killian, Linda Brillinger, Elsie Williams, Paul and Dottie Remaly, Brenda Brinkley, Barbara Mark, Harvey Roberts, Bert Wood, John Moyer, Isabelle Smith, Nancy Bingaman, Hank Jongsma, Annette Kilpatrick

Prayers of the Congregation are offered for the family of Betty Grubb, a church friend, who passed away recently.

**Continued Prayers:** Krista Baer, Jim Gischel, Carmen DeLuccia, Erin Francis-Friel, Lori Giroux, Kathy Clark, Fred Purvis, Joyce Burd, Greg Brazil, Lynn McWatters, Dennis Otte, Anya Zvorsky, Carolyn Watt, Vicki Mays

**December 22**— Rob Hess, Virginia Toomey, Joe Colonello, Marci Hammann, Nikki Mac Isaac, Scott Witmer, Bill & Judy Clark, Janet Keener, Carol Tonne, Connie Buck, Rev. David Cook, Darleen Bohannon, Carl Wert

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Carol Anderson, by Jane Rising  
Carol Anderson, a dear and special friend, peace, by Janice Hutchison  
John and Barbara Arnold, by Lorna K. Baer  
David Kimmel Baer, by Lorna K. Baer  
Joyce Brown and Tom and Helen Webber, by Tom and Donna Leaver  
Richard W. Cleckner, by Richard's wife and son

Mr. and Mrs. John Crockett, by Rick and Linda Flowers  
Jim and Ruth Crouse, by Steve and family  
Susan Baer DeRemer, by Lorna K. Baer  
Susan DeRemer, by Erin, Michael and Robert  
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Darlington, by David L. Foreman  
Mrs. Mildred Davis, by Jim and Cheryl Holtzman  
Thelma, Frank, and Victoria Downey, by the Fortino and Himmelright families  
Ed Ehrhardt, Jr. by Andrea and David McPherson  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Flowers, by Rick and Linda Flowers  
Barbara D. Foreman, by David L. Foreman  
William A. and Resta B. Foreman, by David L. Foreman  
Eugene and Margaret Fortino, by Jeanne and John Fortino  
Mrs. Virginia W. Gault, by the Nguyen family  
Mr. Ernie Gault, by the Nguyen family  
John and Marjorie Gephart, by Sally and John Killian  
Rev. Morton and Martha Glise, by Harriet Epler  
Tom Grogan, by Nancy Grogan  
Thomas K. Haner, Sr., by the Haner family  
Trey and loved ones, by the Haner family  
Cindy Ann Foreman Hineman, by David L. Foreman and the Hineman family  
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Holtzman, by Jim and Cheryl Holtzman  
Dr. Thomas Holtzman, Jr., and Zach Holtzman, by Jim and Cheryl Holtzman  
John and Robert Hutchison, Alma and Larry Kemp, and Agatha Loycano, by Nancy, Janice, Ian, Alli, Isla and Grace Hutchison and Amanda, Dustin and Gannon Nelson  
Nancy and Harry Johnson, by Olga, Tim and David Johnson  
Mr. and Mrs. T. Robert Kealey, by the Steckbeck family  
Virgean Knight, by loving children and grandchildren  
Susan, Clifford, Sr., Michael and Clifford Leahy, Jr., by Bill and Jane Sanford  
Loved ones, by Nan Bonnet  
Dr. Charles and Audrey Lengler, by the Lengler family  
Edward and Sophie Major, by Tina Wood  
David E. Maugans, by Lorna K. Baer  
William S. Jr., and Caroline H. Miller, by Bill and JoAnn Miller  
Charles and Elizabeth Mory, by Charlie and Cindy Mory