

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 Heidelbaugh 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 5 8:00 Pancake Breakfast
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:00 Worship
- 11:00 Sunday Snacks
- Mon 6 6:00 CEM
- Tues 7 10:00 Staff Retreat
- 12:00
- Wed 8 8:00 Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- 9:30 Sewing
- 6:30 Evangelism and Membership
- Property Management
- Thur 6:00 Lions
- 6:15 Bells
- 7:30 Adult Choir
- Sun 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:00 Communion Worship
- 11:00 Sunday Snacks

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

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January 5, 2020 ~ Epiphany Sunday

Worship 10:00 AM

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

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

PRELUDE "How Lovely Shines the Morning Star" Setting I, II P. Manz

OUR LIFE TOGETHER / MINUTE FOR MISSION

MUSIC INTERLUDE

TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP from Isaiah 60:1,3

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Nations shall come to your light
And rulers to the brightness of your rising.

* HYMN 150 "As with Gladness Men of Old"

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Praise God. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal Page 581)

TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH

CHILDREN'S MOMENT
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

LITTLE FREE PANTRY~ The Pantry is in need of canned meats, pasta, jello/ pudding mix or any other non-perishable item you would like to donate. Please place items directly in the pantry. With much appreciation, the Mission and Outreach Ministry. **THE NEED IS GREATER DURING THE COLD WEATHER.**
THANK YOU!

NEW Winter Overnight Shelter for Women

On short notice, Christian Churches United and the Compassion Action Network are responding to the need for a walk-in winter shelter for women and non-binary people (those who do not identify strictly with one gender or another) in Harrisburg. This will be the only cold/severe weather shelter where woman and non-binary people can walk-in to get out of the elements with no application or program requirements this winter.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to help support this new shelter. The shelter will be open through March 31 and is located in the Wesley House of Grace United Methodist Church at 216 State Street, Harrisburg. Volunteers provide intake and hospitality to guests from 7:30-10:30 pm each night. **The next orientation for volunteers will be on Monday, Jan. 6 from 6:00-7:30 pm at the shelter.** To register for the orientation or for more information about the shelter contact Shelter Coordinator Gillian Sumpter at gsumpter@ccuhbg.org or 717-770-9189.

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, Hank Jongsma, Cathy Roland

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

January 5— 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, Aliyah Myers, Bill Hodder, Ronnie Gerhart

UNITY CIRCLE will meet Tuesday, January 7 at 12:00. Lorna Baer will be serving as hostess. Please bring your packed lunch, and dessert and beverage will be provided. Our lesson study continues with the Ten Commandments, lesson 4. Words of Love, and discussion will be led by Carol Himmelright.

SEWING CIRCLE—The Sewing Circle will resume on Wednesday, January 8th at 9:30.

BOOK SHARE—The Book Share Table will be available Sunday, January 12. If you have books to share or would like to take books, help yourselves!

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14 (OT Page 533)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "The Work of Christmas"

Adult Choir

Forrest

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home, when the shepherds are back with their flock,

The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost, To heal the broken, To feed the hungry,

To release the prisoner, To rebuild the nations;

To bring peace among brothers, To make music from the heart.

The work of Christmas begins.

By Howard Thurman

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12 (NT Page 2)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Following a Star"

Pastor Green

HYMN 151 "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

* APOSTLE'S CREED (Hymnal page 35)

TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "O, How Beautiful the Sky"

arr. P. Manz

* DOXOLOGY (Hymnal Page 606)

