

MORNING SCHEDULE

Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship – 10:30 am

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Church Telephone: 724-238-6292

CHURCH WEB PAGE -- LigonierFirstCob.org

E-mail address: LCOB1888@gmail.com

Worship Attendance last Sunday January 9 worship: 54

Pastor John Shaffer – Phone: 610-413-1997 (cell) and 814-255-7838 (home)

To contact Susan Shaffer with information for the BK –
814-255-7838 (home)

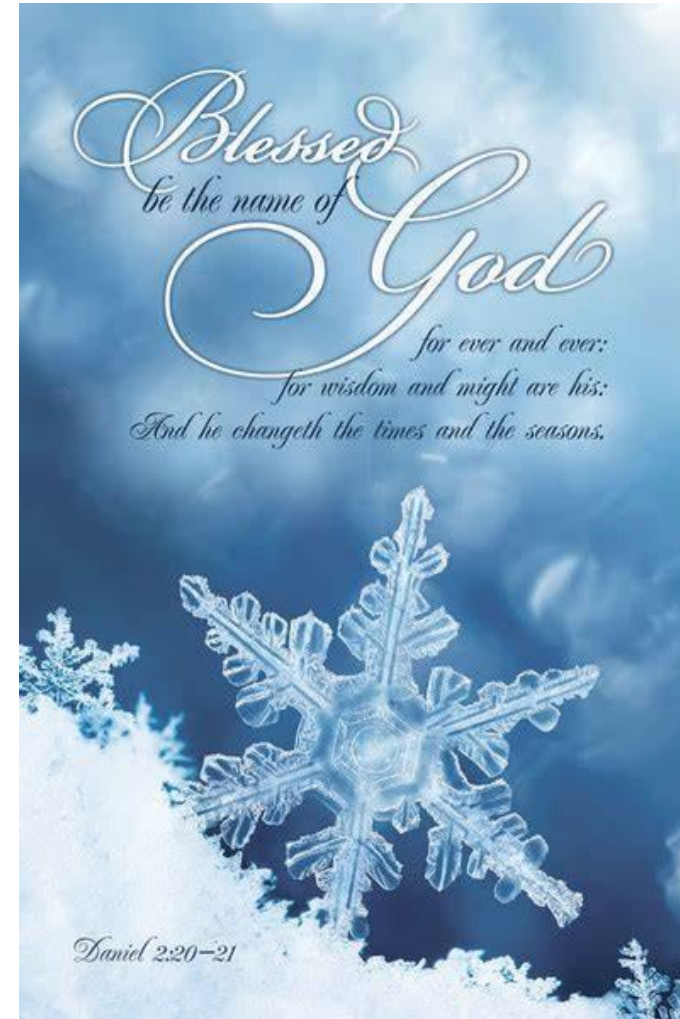
To contact Elaine Boyd with information for the Bulletin –
elaineboyd@comcast.net or 724-238-4886 (home) or 724-433-1637 (cell)

Budget Information for 2022

Total Income to Date:	\$ 9,876.77
Total Expense to Date:	\$ <u>4,709.57</u>
Balance	\$ 5,167.20

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405 Route 271
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JANUARY 16, 2022

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“Ligonier (First) Church of the Brethren Is a community of believers who seek to walk passionately with Christ by reaching out in His name, preaching and sharing His gospel,

and teaching all to live like Him.”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *Responsive Reading*

Leader: No matter how far we wander from you, O God,
People: Your steadfast love finds us.
Leader: No matter how unjust the world seems to us, O God,
People: Your steadfast righteousness sustains us.
Leader: No matter how vulnerable our lives seem to us, O God,
People: Your steadfast presence gives us hope.
Leader: No matter how unloved and uncared for we feel, O God,
People: You hear our cries and answer our prayers.
All: Thanks be to God!

*HYMN “” No.

INVOCATION PRAYER: *Unison Prayer*

Gracious and loving God, source of all wholeness, forgiveness, and mercy, may your Spirit heal those who are torn, mend those who are broken, and protect those who are fragile. Enable us, O God, through the gift of your steadfast love, to remember who we are and whose we are. In your love, may we be true and faithful disciples of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER: *1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (Please sign the attendance sheets)*

Holy Spirit, you have honored each of us with unique spiritual gifts. We acknowledge that these gifts are to be used for your glory alone. Help us to offer our talents so that others may be encouraged to share abundantly. We are honored and humbled by the responsibility of using these gifts as stewards of your Kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Stacey Knupp

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN “” No.

MORNING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE **Genesis 5:18-24; Hebrews 11:5-6; Jude 14 and 15**

MESSAGE **“A Hero of the Faith – Enoch”**

*CLOSING HYMN “” No.

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: Pastor John Shaffer
Lay Leader:
Chorister: Ed Wedge
Pianist: Pam Zimmerman

Greeters for January: Debra McInchok
Counting Steward for January: Dick Jones

PASTOR’S NOTE

I am going to do a mini-series on some of the Heroes OF the Faith.

CHURCH NEWSLETTER FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH

"We'll be starting work on the Church Newsletter for February & March. If you have anything you would like included in the Newsletter: an article of an upcoming event, news and updates from your Commission, a poem, Church family news, an article on a past event held over the holidays - would you please put it in Pastor John's and Susan's mailbox on or before January 19th. If it's more convenient for you to call with what you want included in the Newsletter, you can do that as well by calling the home phone # or Pastor John's cell phone. Thank You for your help. God Bless. Pastor John & Susan

“OUR DAILY BREAD” DEVOTIONAL

The daily devotional “Our Daily Bread” for Dec, Jan, Feb is available in the narthex.

JOYS FROM JANUARY 9, 2022

- Brock Shannon’s 9th birthday on Monday
- Cillian O’Brien’s 13th birthday today

- It is an honor and a joy to have Roman D. Simmons baptized today

CONCERNS FROM WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2022

- Gloria Kunkle – hospitalized with Covid
- Josh Lamonde – had cancer surgery this past week in Pittsburgh
- Paul Knupp – had double knee replacement surgery, was home briefly, then hospitalized again with complications
- Lee – has back problems
- Carol Boyd – is home with compressed discs in back
- Mickey Clark – had foot surgery this past Friday
- Kami (Black) scheduled to have her baby on Jan. 18
- Amanda (Knupp) Rhodes had her little girl Chloe James on January 13, 2022
- JoAnne McWherter’s back surgery rescheduled for February 21
- Dana Shannon requested prayer for her friend Judy Podlucky who is hospitalized
- Holly Hartman requested prayer for her cousin, Roy Emert, who is experiencing heart issues

1/12/22

- Beth Caldwell reported Mary Kay is doing well and may return to work on Friday
- Beth also reported her uncle Dave Luther lost consciousness yesterday; his blood pressure so low they could not get a reading
- The church’s neighbor Betty Roberts was taken to the hospital today; it is believed she may have had a mini stroke
- Ed reported his grandson Skyler who was back in school sat close to someone diagnosed with Covid and is home again until next Tuesday
- The pastor’s friend Gloria is making a great recovery and may be allowed to go home on Friday
- Paul Knupp appears to be making good progress

1/13/22

- 12 year old Lucas James, grandson of Cass’s niece, is in Children’s Hospital for testing

OUTREACH FOR JANUARY

The outreach for January is Souperbowl to benefit the local Food Pantry. Please bring your soup and Jack will see that they get delivered to the distribution center at Holy Trinity Church in Ligonier. Please also remember your gently used shoes, wrapped with a rubber band as this project supports the Honduras orphanage.

RITA’S CLOSET

Rita’s Closet opens Mondays at the First Church of the Brethren, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. If you are unable to make it on a Monday, please call Darlene Rummel at 814-243-7156

to schedule a time more convenient. All donated clothes were freely given and are free to you. Please come and check us out.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Wednesday, 6:30 pm – Bible Study with Pastor John – We are studying the book of Acts.

Thursday, 9:00 am -- The Happy Stitches

Thursday, 9:00 am to Noon – Pastor John’s Office Hours
UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 9, 2022, Camp Harmony – Hogar Enmanuel’s Dinner/Theater featuring the play “FLOODED! The First Lockdown”

Saturday, June 11, 2022 – Memorial Service for Charles and Fay Harr

PRAYER CONCERNS – IMMEDIATE Sharon Lanz’s mother; Carolyn Roddy’s daughter Beckey and granddaughter Ashley; Carolyn Roddy’s brother Ralph; Barry Seagroves; Carl Kaurich; Joe and Roseanne Ometz; Joe’s brother Matt; Family of Debbie (Sharon Lanz’ friend); Bruce Smith; Gay Maguire; Cathy Henderson; Calvin; Jeanne Boyd; Jim Bridge Sr.; Becky Kwak and Samantha and Jeremy Pfeiffer; Family of Fay Harr; Kenny P.; Paul Knupp; Family of Ricky Greenawalt; Mary K. Cheslo; prayer for our country and our need to know that God is in charge; all those throughout the country suffering from natural disasters; those in hospitals awaiting surgery or diagnoses; Border Patrol agents; peace and forgiveness within families; natural disasters occurring throughout our county and the world; traveling mercies; church board and commissions for decisions that need to be made; Church of the Brethren in Nigeria; that more would hear of Christ’s sacrifice, His gift to us, and choose to follow Him.

LONG-TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

Riley Nicole (daughter of John and Liz, born in October 2021) requires heart surgery--November 1 surgery had to be postponed; Paul Abram; Austin Boyd; Jeanne Boyd; Jim and Christy Boyd; Michelle Boyd; Roxanne Boyd; Allison Burke; Hannah Burkett; George Butcher; John Chesson; Tim and Jessica Clark; Basil Costantino; Billy Crawford and Lori Crawford; Breana Deemer; Ethen Deemer; Kristi Deemer; Sam Duffey; Hosea Duffey; Brenda Duhl; Mari Lori; Mary Eichorn; Sarah Ferian; Carol Fechter; Bonnie Guldenshuh; Donald and Christine Hayes; Fred Hayes; Roxanne Henderson; Janice Hooper; Mari Iljic; Sue Derk Kinsey; Lois Kinsey; Darlene Kolced; Junah Krupper; Frank Kwak; Calvin Layton; Kim Lukatch; Bob McDowell; Shane McGee; Gay McGuire; Debbie McKim; Ed McKlveen; Bill and Kay McMillan; Curt Noel; Derek and Kara O’Brien and family; Roy Pletcher; Judah

Pope; Delores Scarff; Ray Sechrist; Rev. Segroves; Harrison Smith; Sandy Smith; Bryan Smithley; Jamie Shaw and her family; Charles Satler; **Dan W.**; Diane Weimer; Randy Whiteside; Josh Wissinger; Frank Young; Dave Zebrowski; Brenda Zimmerman; Norma Zimmerman

Please also keep the following in thought and prayer		
Msg Buchko, Nathan	Major Scott Busija 2904 Clovis, New Hammond Blvd. Mexico 88101 7-20-14	Sheaffer, Garrett Pv2 4300 Mattie Drive, App A, Killeen, Tx 76549 10-12-12
Josh, Gloria and Emma Black 316 Kika de la Garza St. Edinburg, TX 78539 1-31-21	Schaffer Joshua M 140 Phantom Street #15839 Keesler AFB MS 39534	College Student Matthew Rummel 2563 Dole St. Hale Laulima Room 103-A Honolulu, HI 96822
NURSING AND PERSONAL CARE HOMES		
Bethlen Home 66 Carey School Road Ligonier, PA 15658 Elizabeth Campbell 405 Bertha Hironimus 409 Kristen Kaurich 403B Freda Layton 404 Mary McInchok 304 Mildred "Mim" Zimmerman 209	Ligonier Gardens 2018 US Route 30 Ligonier, PA 15658 Jane Clawson	Beverly Boyd Bee Hive Home of Springboro Room 14 1325 W. Lytle Five Point Rd. Springboro, OH 45066
Loyalhanna Senior Suites & Personal Care 543 McFarland Road Latrobe, PA 15650 Lyn Noel 414 (724) 686-3585		

*****CHURCH FAMILY*****

We all know that when someone has cancer it not only affects that person, it puts stress on the whole family. Well three families are going through the stress of chemotherapy treatments and we can help with some of that stress. I would like to start a Meal Train in our Church for them. How can I help you ask – Below is a list of the things that you can do.

1. **Pick up a Gift Card for a local Restaurant, Giant Eagle, Sheetz, etc. so they will be able to pick up a meal on the way home from treatments, get gas, get snacks for treatments, etc.**
 2. **If you like to cook, a homemade meal would be great: soups and comfort food. Please contact me and we will set up a date and time for the meal. If you cannot deliver the meal, I will pick up the meal and drop it off**
- I have been in contact with each family and have gotten a treatment schedule. If you would like to help, please contact me. Please call me with any questions at 724-331-2228. I look forward to hearing from you. s/Stacey Knupp**

KINGDOM CONCERNS

Jesus Prayer Requests

The Glory of God (John 17);

Workers for the Harvest (Matthew 9)

Spiritual Renewal in our Congregation

ALSO: Persecuted Christians; Missions; Peace Workers; Service Persons;

National/International Leaders

Missionaries to Poland: Ashley and Corby White (23rd of each month, please uphold in special prayer as they will also be praying for us on this date)

WESTERN PA DISTRICT

District Office Staff – William Wenger, Amy Bowman, Tina Lehman

District Office Phone Number – 814-479-2181

District Moderator – Robert Rummel

District Response Team – Herb Ewald

District Leadership Team Chair – Pete Kaltenbaugh

Camp Harmony Executive Director – Jen Vickroy

2020 Prayer Partner Congregation: Windber Church of the Brethren

COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Unchurched in Waterford, Ligonier Valley (Welco me and Invite them!)

Valley Youth Network – Kip Crumrine, Director; Sandy Crumrine, Assistant;

Chelsea Carpenter and Kylie Weber, Interns

Ligonier Valley Association of Churches – Janet Riordan, President

ALL OF OUR WORSHIP MINISTRY EXPERIENCES

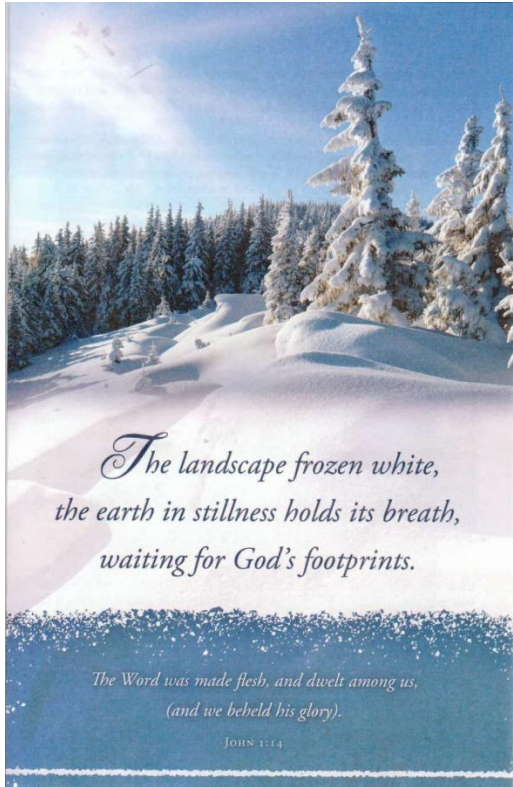
Future of our church – Please take five minutes at noon every day to pray for ways to encourage the parents, children and young people who could be coming**

LOCAL CHURCH CONCERNS

Deacon Chairperson – Stacey Knupp

Church Board/Executive Board Chairmen – Richard Jones,

Nurture -- Michelle Black, Stewardship – Becky Kwak, Witness -- Debbie McInchok



*The landscape frozen white,
the earth in stillness holds its breath,
waiting for God's footprints.*

*The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,
(and we beheld his glory).*

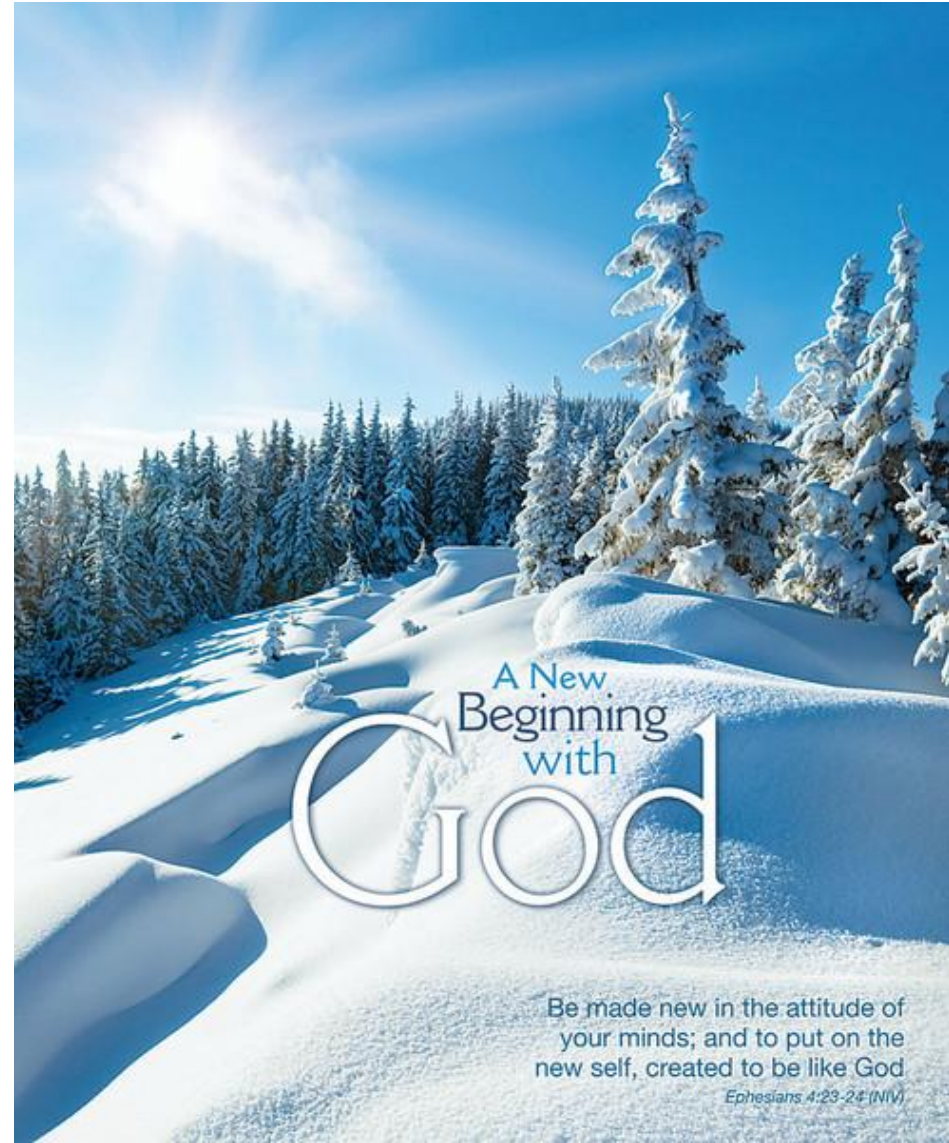
JOHN 1:14



THE GRASS WITHERS, THE
FLOWER FADES, BUT THE
WORD OF OUR GOD STANDS

Forever.

ISAIAH 40:8



A New
Beginning
with
God

Be made new in the attitude of
your minds; and to put on the
new self, created to be like God

Ephesians 4:23-24 (NIV)