

# Alteno Bulletin Weekly

## Bulletin Announcements for November 20, 2016

### Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Nov. 23 – MYF356 Thanksgiving service at Mellinger.

Nov. 27 – Children’s Bible memory

Nov. 27 - The FDMC Inc congregational meeting to discuss and approve the 2017 budget will follow WH worship service.

Dec. 7 – Community Night – 6:15 meal and service project at the church.

Dec. 11 – Combined First Deaf and Witmer Heights. Christmas Breakfast – 8:30 (signup sheets at church) Program – 10:00

Dec. 14 – Elder Team – 7:00 pm.

Dec. 18 – Christmas Caroling – meet at church at 6:45. Bring fruit and cookies to share

	<u>Sunday, November 20</u>	<u>Sunday, November 27</u>
Message	Darrel Hostetter	Randy Keener
Greeters	Karen Diffenbach and Becky Rutt	Wes Newswanger and Esther Mast

~A simple Thanksgiving Eve Service of scripture readings and music will be led by the youth group at Mellinger on Wed., November 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 pm. They will be collecting food and dry goods for CVCCS. All welcome.

~Remember to bring to WH, donations for the CVCCS Food Bank. Boxes are provided at the back of auditorium. There continues to be a need. The following items (with unexpired dates) are suggestions: rice, pancake mix, syrup, oatmeal, jam/jelly, canned fruit, detergent (laundry or dish), toothpaste, bath soap. Your donations are appreciated. Thank you.

~For Witmer Heights and First Deaf Congregations: This Christmas season, we will again be sponsoring, through Conestoga Valley Christian Community Services, (CVCCS) a family (with four children) in need. Please look for our "Giving Tree" this coming Sunday. Ornaments labeled with wish list items from each child will be available for you to choose from. Gift cards for the parents to Walmart, Target, Giant, Sharp Shopper, etc. are also an option. Please place your wrapped or unwrapped gift in the corresponding gift bags under the tree **on or before Sunday, December 11th**. Contact either Lisa or Madeline Kachel at 717-371-9518 with any further questions. Thank you for your ongoing support of CVCCS.

NOTICE!! Just a reminder that the email address for Chris & Rose Kennel has changed: [chrisrosekennel@gmail.com](mailto:chrisrosekennel@gmail.com).

### ~Encouragement Link - Week of November 13-19 - (extended to Nov. 26)

Micah Boyer – Mim Wert	Allison Kachel – Don/Judy Stoltzfus	Leslie Wang – John/Becky Rutt
Cory Eavenson – Paul/Mary Zehr	Jansen Kachel – Dave/Shelby Swartley	
Sarah Hoffer – Jon/Tricia Stoltzfus	Madeline Mast – Eileen Ranck	

~Save the date: February 1 will be the date when our congregation will assemble care packages for the college students.

~Starting Jan. 1, 2017, an intergenerational Sunday school class “Share, Prayer, and Fellowship” will begin. The sessions will include sharing about our personal lives, current events, and where we see God at work in our midst. The class will meet at the end of the fellowship hall where the couches are located. (Room 5) and meet at the same time (9:30) as the other adult class that meets to study the uniform series Sunday school lessons in Room 12.

~A reminder that the Youth Sunday school class is painting a mural in the youth room (Room 4) and is being taught by Velma Magill.

~Witmer Heights is scheduled to help staff the YWCA Winter Women's Shelter the week of Feb 8-14 2017. We will need three people per night to volunteer. (Two Females and one Male) More details to come and an opportunity to sign up. Please pray for the women's winter shelter which opens in December.

~Connections at Mellinger – Tuesday, Nov. 29 – 9:00-11:00 am – Carol Cool will speak on “Encouraging Your Children’s Dreams, and Your Own.” Children are full of dreams. And so are moms! We can either encourage those God-given dreams or stifle them. Learn how to make your own dreams a reality and assist your children in recognizing the unique way God made them and to begin at a young age to live with purpose.

~Continue to keep these persons in your prayers as they deal with health concerns. Pray for healing and hope.  
Lester/Lois Brubaker     Angie Conrad     Ed Martin     Becky Nolt     Jim Oswald     Steve Stoltzfus

~Mennonite Children’s Choir of Lancaster Christmas Concert Series with Guest Artist Irish Blessing Band and Friends.  
Thursday, December 1 – 7:00 pm – Neffsville Mennonite Church, Lancaster.  
Saturday, December 3 – 4:00 pm – First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster.  
Sunday, December 4 – 4:00 pm – Highland Presbyterian Church, Lancaster.