



We had a wonderful start to the Advent Season as our guest, Kameron Waits, shared the gospel message through song. I also shared a short message on **Hope** reminding us of the promises we celebrate during this season. As I write this, I can honestly say that one thing I wasn't *hoping* for was the white stuff falling from the sky—but I suppose that comes with the season as well! It was a joy to see so many stay after our Worship service for the meal and a meaningful time of fellowship. A special thank-you to **Judy Fausnaugh** for assisting with the Advent wreath reading and candle lighting. We also have a volunteer for this coming week. If you would like to help with one of the remaining Advent services, please let me know.

I encourage you to make plans now to join us this Sunday as we continue our Advent journey with the theme of **Peace**. Following the service, we will hold a **congregational meeting** to discuss and vote on the proposed **2026 budget**. Immediately afterward, the Church Board will meet for our regularly scheduled monthly meeting.

Since I mentioned the beautiful snowfall earlier, this is also a good time to remind everyone of our winter weather policy. If Fairfield County is under a **Level 2 or Level 3 Snow Emergency** on a Sunday morning, our worship service will be automatically canceled. If the emergency level is **Level 1 or lower**, we ask that each person use their best judgment. Your safety is always our priority, and we never want anyone to take unnecessary risks coming to or from worship.

We are also continuing plans for our **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**, which will take place at **6:00 PM on December 24**. Wouldn't it be wonderful if everyone had an opportunity to participate—by reading Scripture, singing a song, or lighting a candle? Now is a great time to invite friends, family, and neighbors. Plant the seed early and continue the conversation over the coming weeks. Sometimes it takes more than one invitation. You might even let them know you have a part in the service and would appreciate their support! Please let me know if you feel led to help with this special evening. And as a reminder, word has it that our worship leader, **Greg Smith**, is writing a new song especially for this service.

With Peace thru Christ,
— Pastor Vance



Pastor Vance's Ventures

For your convenience, below is Pastor Vance's tentative schedule for the next few days. (It may vary depending on emergency situations, meetings, etc.)

Appointments can be made by calling/texting 614-706-3040 or email at PastorVance@WildermuthChurch.com

Wed 12/3
Office by Appointment
GPS – Somerset

Sunday 12/7
Worship – Communion Sunday
Congregational Meeting after service

Thurs 12/4
Office by Appointment

*special note – Small Group is cancelled
through the end of 2025

Friday 12/5
Office by Appointment

Monday 12/8
Office by Appointment

Saturday 12/6
Working Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast
7am – 1 pm

Tuesday 12/9
Office by Appointment

Wednesday 12/10
Office by Appointment
GPS – Somerset

Meetings, events, and Worship services

God and People Stores (GPS) Ministries, an outreach ministry by Pastor Vance in our area.

GPS Ministries – Somerset

- o Join us Wednesday evenings at Wannabees (the sign out front says “Main Grill”) at 105 W Main St, Somerset, OH. We fellowship over a meal between 5-7 PM (arrive as you can, purchase your own meal from their great menu) and Bible study starts at 7.
- o Contact Pastor Vance if you would like transportation to this service.

GPS Ministries – Airport



- o Join us for a Fly-In (or you can drive in) Church service.

- o Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 AM at Fairfield County Airport (KLHQ) located at 3430 Old Columbus Rd NW, Carroll, OH.
- o Enjoy Coffee and donuts in the Terminal Building as we gather around and learn about a Pilot Story, how it relates to a God Story, and discover how we can apply it to our lives.

Small Group Opportunities:



We are going to stop the Small Group Sunday night meetings for the remainder of 2025.

Will Resume in January 2026

Ministry / Volunteer Opportunities

- We invite all to share your gifts during our Worship Service
 - o It could also be by sharing a poem, some musical gift, or other talent during our services. It could even be to serve as a Song Leader during our Worship time, or in some other way.
- BC Food Pantry - Monthly (typically the 3rd Friday of the month but subject to change) we can minister to our community by helping to set up for the Bloom Carroll Food Pantry. 6:30 PM to ? at Shalom UMC, 4925 Plum Rd NW, Carroll, OH 43112



Donations of canned Dog and Cat Food can be brought to Wildermuth.

- Consider helping Wildermuth Church in supporting missionaries...

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- All money raised through this program, as well as the money donated in the cup by our offering plate, goes to mission's support.

Looking to the Future

- Our current plans are to have a singer/group come and be with us whenever there is a 5th Sunday in a month and a carry-in dinner after.
- Wednesday Dec 24th will be our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6 PM.
 - We would love for all to come and participate in the service.
- One of our long-range visions for our church is to become a host church for two different youth groups.
 - Trail Life for boys and American Heritage Girls are Christian based Scout-like organization for youth ages 5 to 18.
 - We will need a minimum of 5 adult males and 5 adult women to commit to being the leadership teams in order to get these troops chartered.

If you have any interest in learning more about these, please contact Pastor Vance.
