

Announcements for January 7 – January 14

Scripture Readings for Sunday, January 11

Matthew 3:13-17; Psalm 29; Isaiah 42:1-9

Scripture Readings for Sunday, January 18

1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Psalm 122; John 1:29-42

Daily and Sunday Lectionary Readings can be found at <https://pcusa.org/devotion/revised-common-lectionary>.

Join us every Thursday for **Lectionary Lunch** in the Conference Room of the Education Building from 12:00-1:00 to read the scripture for the upcoming worship service. Bring a lunch along and join us for an informal conversation.

UPCOMING *Events*

January 7—CE Committee, 6:00pm, Conference Room

Fellowship and Hospitality Committee, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Worship Committee, 7:00pm, Art Room

January 8—Lectionary Lunch, 12:00pm, Conference Rm.

January 11—Youth Choir, 11:30, Fellowship Hall

Youth Group, 5:30, Fellowship Hall

January 12—Faith Circle, 1:00pm, FH

January 13—Circle of Prayer, 1:00pm, Conference Room

January 14—Outreach Committee, 6:00pm, Art Room

January 15—Endowment, 4:30pm, Conference Room

January 18—Third Sunday Lunch, 11:30pm, Fellowship Hall

January 19—Office Closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Communion Sunday—This Sunday's worship will include the celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Communion will be served by intinction at the front of the sanctuary and in the balcony. Our bread is gluten-free as we share in one loaf together as the body of Christ. All are invited to share in the joyful feast of the people of God.

LIFT (Living In Faith Together)

New LIFT classes begin January 11, 2026! Click [HERE](#) to see the brochure!

Ladies Thursday Morning Bible Study—Join us on January 15 as we begin a reading of The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John that tell us about the life and ministry of Jesus, including events during which Jesus miraculously healed people, and occasions during which he miraculously expressed his divine command over nature. We meet in the first floor classroom of the Middle House on Thursday mornings at 9:30am for refreshments, fellowship, and Bible Study. Contact Debe Garrison or Nancy Raines for more information. All are welcome.

Movie Club—The movie club will discuss "The Piano Lesson" (2024 on Netflix) on **Wednesday, January 21**, 10 AM in the Middle House. Bring your own drinks and/or snacks. Contact Karen Johnson if you have any questions, (540) 621-5685, ksjohnson422@msn.com.

Officer Nominations Needed!

We are currently accepting nominations for individuals to serve the church in the offices of elder, deacon, and trustee as well as youth members to serve in a special one-year term for elder and deacon. Please assist us by giving prayerful consideration to the nominations of those individuals you feel have demonstrated gifts of leadership and commitment to the life and ministry of our church.

The deadline to submit nominations is Sunday, January 28th.

Definitions for all the positions can be found on the form. You may submit multiple nominations or self nominate. Please click [HERE](#) to access the form. Paper copies are available in the Education Building on the bulletin board as well as in the back of the Sanctuary.

Outreach

Help fill the Clothesline



Our “Share the Warmth” Clothesline Ministry is in need of gloves, hats, scarves, socks and warmers for men, women and children. Please place the items in a Ziploc-style bag before hanging them on the church fence or put them in the donations tub in Fellowship Hall. If you’re not a shopper, monetary donations are welcome. Simply note that the gift to the church is for the Clothesline Ministry. For more information, contact Linda Benn at lkbrab@verizon.net or 540-370-1646.

Help with a hot breakfast after a cold night —Early risers are needed on Saturday mornings in January to mid-March to host breakfasts at our church after Micah’s Cold Weather Shelters are open the night before. Volunteers arrive at the Education Building at 6 a.m. and help our unhoused neighbors off Micah buses to get a hot meal in the Fellowship Hall. Duties include helping the breakfast teams, visiting with neighbors and cleaning up. We’re done by 9 a.m. To sign up in Realm, click on Serving, Opportunities, Browse by team, and go to “Outreach–CWS Breakfast”. Once you have submitted your interest in joining the team, you will be added to the team and will be able to schedule your availability. You may also contact Jim Toler and he can add you to the team and schedule your available dates. For questions or assistance, contact Jim Toler at jimtoler80@gmail.com, 540-207-1202.

Micah Lunch Makers Needed in 2026



Every Friday, our congregation gives out 30 to 40 bag lunches to our unhoused neighbors. Groups, families, or individuals are needed to make 140 lunches each month for this Micah Ministries effort. Sandwiches may be assembled and the snacks bagged in the Church House as a fun group event or they may be brought in and stored in the Church House kitchen during the last week of each month. Shopping lists and instructions are available.

Please help fill up the “Lunch Making for Micah” calendar for 2026. Open dates are the weeks of Feb. 23, March 23, April 27, June 29, July 27, Sept. 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 23, and Dec. 28. To sign up in Realm, click on Serving, Opportunities, Browse by team, and go to “Outreach–Lunch Making for Micah”. Once you have submitted your interest in joining the team, you will be added to the team and able to schedule your availability. You may also contact Jim Toler and he can add you to the team and schedule your available dates. For questions or assistance contact Judy Lowman at jelowman@aol.com, 540-845-0098 or Jim Toler at jimtoler80@gmail.com, 540-207-1202.

COMMUNITY Dinners Brownies are needed for the Community Dinner on Saturday, January 17th. Please drop off the brownies at the church on Friday, January 16th or Saturday after 2:30PM. The door will be locked on Fridays at noon; but there will be someone in the office until 4:00pm. Please call the office for access to the building. If you have questions or would like to help at the dinner, contact Karen Johnson, ksjohnson422@msn.com, (540) 621-5685.



Sanctuary Flowers—If you would like to order flowers, in memory or honor of someone, or for a special occasion, please contact Sharon Humes, pshumes1@gmail.com. The cost of the flowers is \$70.00. You are welcome to take the flowers with you, or our deacons will arrange for them to be taken to members who are home-centered or recovering from surgery or illness.

Need volunteers For Property Lock-up for 2026 —Our Property Lock-up Guild is looking for new members. The task involves serving as the last person after Sunday worship to inspect the Row Houses, Sanctuary, and Education building to make sure all doors are locked and secured. This is not an intense commitment. If interested, contact Jerry Zekert or Debe Garrison.