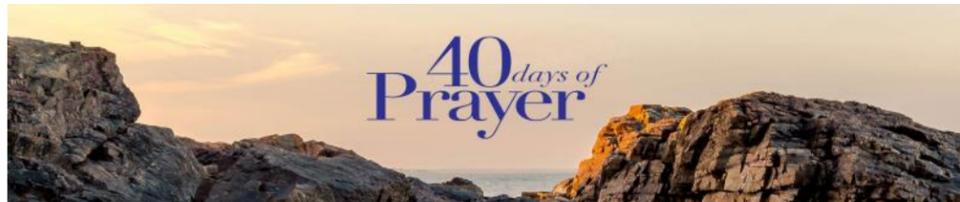


COMING IN JANUARY!
"40 Days of Prayer"
An Aldersgate ALL-CHURCH Study!



*Learn to pray for breakthroughs / Develop a daily habit of prayer
 Pray persistently and trust God in everything
 Experience God's blessings / Grow closer in unity
 SEE SIGN-UP INFORMATION AS INSERT*

**Stewardship of Our Financial Gifts & Our Presence for
 Week of December 10, 2017**

Together, We Give Faithfully Because Of God's Great Faithfulness.
 Our \$916,578 Spending Plan for Ministry in 2017 calls for weekly tithes and offerings of \$17,626.50.

Our Year-to-Date Offerings = **\$865,480.71**
 Our Year-to-Date Projected Need = **\$881,325**

Attendance	8:00	9:30	11:00
Sunday Worship	73	305	86
Sunday School		89	
Sunday Evening Youth		50	

Serving Today December 17, 2017

- Acolyte:** 8:00 Ethan Strite
 9:30 Anna Bernstein
 11:00 Rachel Freeman
- Nursery:** 8:00 Maureen Nacci, Sharon Seibert
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 11:00 Maureen Nacci, Sharon Seibert
- Ushers:** 8:00 Glenn Shick, Lynn Shick, Pat Tomson, Bob Tomson
 9:30 Pam Caserta, John Crum, Carol Wesley
 11:00 Lorraine Wagner, Dave Fetterhoff, Ruth Fetterhoff
- Welcome Center:** 8:00 Jane Engle
 9:30 Debbie Smith
 11:00 Nancy Runk
- Worship Leader:** Dan DeArment
Praise Team: Andrew Shumway, Gary Hayworth, Pete Curwen, Elise DeArment, Jen Stumbaugh, Mike Benson
Sound Technician: Bill Strockbine
Computer Support: Rick Smith

Aldersgate is a "Safe Sanctuary Church"

What does that mean? "Safe Sanctuary" means that all ministry staff and volunteers working with children or youth under age 18 (and vulnerable adults) have obtained the appropriate Pennsylvania and FBI criminal and child-welfare clearances, and have received direction for compliance with Safe Sanctuary Policy of The United Methodist Church. Your children - God's children - are important to us! Any questions regarding Safe Sanctuary and how to obtain the clearances, etc. can be directed to Melanie Feldner, Director of Children's Ministries, who oversees Safe Sanctuary here at Aldersgate Church.

Activities for the Week of December 17, 2017
 You may view the full calendar on www.aldersgatechurch.net

Sunday 12/17
 8:00 am Sunday Worship Service
 9:30 am Sunday School
 9:30 am Sunday Worship Service
 11:00 am Sunday Worship Service
 1:30 pm Children's Musical Rehearsal- Sanctuary
 2:00 pm Daisy Girl Scout Troop 11414- Room 210
 3:30 pm Adventure Club and Summit Seekers
 6:00 pm Outdoor Living Nativity

Monday 12/18
 4:00 pm Operation Timothy for Men- Room 203
 6:45 pm Choir- Sanctuary

Tuesday 12/19
 9:00 am Woman's Bible Study- Room 207
 6:00 pm Zumba Fitness- FLC
 6:30 pm AA There is a Solution Group - Rooms 206/208
 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Praise Team Rehearsal- Sanctuary

Wednesday 12/20
 6:30 pm Men's Ministry Small Group - Room 203

Thursday 12/21
 7:15 am Men's Morning Devotionals- Youth Room
 6:30 pm AA Meeting - Room 206/208
 7:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal- Sanctuary

Friday 12/22
 9:00 am Ironmen Operation Timothy - Room 203
 9:00 am M&M Volunteer Ministry - Resource Room

Saturday 12/23
 7:30 am Ironmen Bible Study - Youth Room
 9:00 am Children's Christmas Musical Dress Rehearsal- Sanctuary
 6:00 pm Lost & Found Group (AA/Al-Anon) - Youth Room



**Christmas Eve Schedule
 Sunday, December 24th**

10:00 am: Combined Morning Worship
 No Sunday School

5:30 pm: Christmas Eve Children's Christmas Musical

7:30 pm: Christmas Eve Traditional Worship

11:00 pm: Christmas Eve Communion Worship

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Aldersgate Church
 A United Methodist Congregation

*"Reaching with the Heart of God
 for the Lives of Our Community"*

**And the WORD Became Flesh!
 The Third Sunday of Advent**

December 17, 2017

Word of God, Speak – Fall Like Rain!
Gathering and Greeting in Jesus' Name

Worship Through Song

A Witness to God's Light for Life!
Advent Wreath Moments – Scott Humes

A Time of Prayer, Together as ONE

Giving: God's Tithes & Our Offerings
"For God so loved the world that he gave ..." - John 3:16

The Scriptures Are Opened: John 1:1-28

The Message:

**"Let's Face It – It's Probably All
 Too Familiar To Us..."**
*When the Gospel story becomes too familiar, too
 routine for us,
 it's time for a wake-up call from a Holy Father to
 Jesus' Church.*

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I WAS SO EXCITED ABOUT THE BABY JESUS THAT I STARTED CLUCKING LIKE A HEN ... AND THEN AN ANGEL OF THE LORD APPEARED BEFORE ME AND SAID UNTO ME ... "SHUT UP"

Shine for "The Word" in God's World!

Go in the Promise and Power of The Christ Story!

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