

**FIVE FORKS BIC CHURCH**

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**December 10, 2017**

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

Traditional Service: 8:00 AM (Auditorium) & 11:00 AM (Chapel)

Contemporary Service: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM (Auditorium)

Café: 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Sunday School for Children & Adults – 9:30 AM

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES (September – April)

Bible Study 7:00 – 8:00 PM; Children & Youth 6:45 – 8:15 PM

**What Is Our “Special Benevolent Fund?”**

Inside this week's newsletter, you will find the financial report for the month of November. At the bottom of each month's report you may have noticed something called the Special Benevolent Fund, and many of you may be unaware of what this fund is.

This fund was created in 2007 and provides an opportunity for individuals to make special bequests in their Will, or an opportunity for those who are able to make special donations above and beyond their normal giving.

As funds are accumulated, the principle remains largely intact and only the earnings are disbursed. The principle is preserved in order to provide funds for those who experience extraordinary financial need. The distributions will be coordinated primarily through the Deacon Board.

As you will see from the November report, there is currently over \$278,000 in the Special Benevolent Fund, and the goal from the beginning was to accumulate at least one million dollars in this fund.

Now that you are aware of this fund, you may wish to consider making a bequest in your Will, or making a special donation as the Lord provides and leads!



**This Week at Five Forks**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

-Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2)

-Blood Pressure Screening

-CAFÉ CLOSED

Morning Messages

Aud. (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00) – Pastor Ray

Scripture: Romans 5:1-15

Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Bill

Scripture: II Corinthians 5:14-17

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

-Men's Prayer Group...5:45-6:30am (Chapel)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

-Men's Prayer Group...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)

-Celebrate Recovery (Chapel)...café (6pm), large group meeting (7pm), Open Share (8pm)

-Community Christmas Dinner (Reservation Required)...6:30pm (MP Room)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

--Ladies Bible Study... 9:00-11:00am (Chapel)

-Awana...6:45-8:15pm

-Youth...7:00-8:15pm

-Bible Study, Pastor Brian...7pm (Aud.)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

-Ladies Prayer Hour...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)

-Community Christmas Dinner (Reservation Required)...6:30pm (MP Room)

-Bible Study, Pastor Brian...7pm (chapel)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

-Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2)

-CAFÉ...7-11am

Morning Messages

Aud. (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00) – Pastor Bill

Scripture: II Corinthians 5:14-17

Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Ray

Scripture: Romans 5:1-15



## 2017 Community Christmas Dinner



6:30pm each night  
Tuesday, December 12  
Thursday, December 14

Make your reservation as soon as possible as some nights fill up quickly! There is no cost, but you must make a reservation. Donations are accepted to help with the cost for next year. We do request that Five Forks Church attendees bring some cookies to share as dessert for the evening.

Seats are numbered, so when you arrive, please check-in at the reservation table in the lower lobby for your assigned seat(s).

Invite your friends, family and neighbors for a night of food and fellowship!!

To reserve your seat, please fill out the Reservation Request Form that was placed in your mailbox and return to Julie Tiedemann's mailbox or you may call the church office at 717-762-2991 or email [julie@ffbic.org](mailto:julie@ffbic.org).

*Reminder:* If you or part of your party are unable to attend on the night you reserved, please notify the church office as soon as possible @ 717-762-2991 or [julie@ffbic.org](mailto:julie@ffbic.org) so that the seating can be made available to others.



Next Sunday, on December 17th, all of our services will be led by a Christmas choir in a joyful morning of Christmas music. We are excited to celebrate the Christmas season with you this year. Thank you for being an amazing part of our Five Forks Family! We look forward to seeing you there.

## Attendance

### ATTENDANCE (December 3)

Sunday's Worship Total = 760  
8:00 Auditorium = 169  
9:30 Auditorium = 352  
11:00 Auditorium = 169  
11:00 Chapel = 43  
Bible Connection = 15  
Nursery (9:30 & 11:00) = 12

Total Sunday School = 248

Wed. Eve. (Dec. 6) = 294

### Food Pantry "Item of the Month" for DECEMBER:

Peanut Butter

*Place donations in the orange tub in the lower lobby.*

### Operation Christmas Child December:

Pray for the children who will be receiving Christmas Shoeboxes.

*Place donations in the designated boxes in the lower and upper lobbies.*

## *Important Information Regarding...*



This year Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday and so we will not be having our normal Sunday morning services.

There will be five services held throughout the day on the 24<sup>th</sup>, and all five of them – including the two morning services – will adopt a Christmas Eve format.

In all five services there will be congregational singing, a short meditation (not a sermon), communion and candle lighting.

Here are the times and locations of the five Christmas Eve Services:

- 9:30am (Traditional Service) in the Chapel
- 10:00am (Contemporary Service) in the Auditorium
- 3:30pm (Contemporary Service) in the Auditorium
- 4:30pm (Traditional Service) in the Chapel
- 5:00pm (Contemporary Service) in the Auditorium

### Please note:

The two morning services will *not* follow the same format as our normal Sunday morning services. Instead, they will follow the same format that will be used at the three later services that day. Pastor Shaun will bring the meditation in the Auditorium services, and Pastor Bill will bring the meditation in the Chapel services. We look forward to gathering together on the 24<sup>th</sup> and celebrating the birth of our Savior and Lord!

### *Five Forks Bell Choir*



Have you heard the Five Forks Bell Choir play for Sunday Service? Have you asked yourself...how do they do that?

Now is your chance to find out. We have an opening for a ringer...don't worry, reading music is not a requirement...we can teach you what you need to know. We just need you to commit to a weekly rehearsal (Mondays from 6:30-7:30) from Labor Day to Mother's Day. Come with a willingness to have fun, "make a joyful noise", and desire to serve the Lord.

If you are interested in ringing, please contact Janice Besecker at 717.709.1490 or [jlbesecker@comcast.net](mailto:jlbesecker@comcast.net) as soon as possible.



Bob Boswell  
Dottie Boswell  
Mary Cordell  
Larson Wenger

# Thank You!

Dear Church Family,  
We want to thank all of you for your acts of kindness with your prayers, visits, cards, and our Willow Tree Angels with the passing of our dear dad, Melvin Peck. He will surely be missed by all of us, but we know he is with our Heavenly Father and no longer in pain. A special thanks to Pastor Bill for being there the night of his passing. We want to also thank Pastor Ray and Pastor Bill for a beautiful service. Love in Christ,  
Dorie Rowe, Brenda Monn, Dianne Carbaugh, Phyllis Pfeiffer, and Joyce Hade

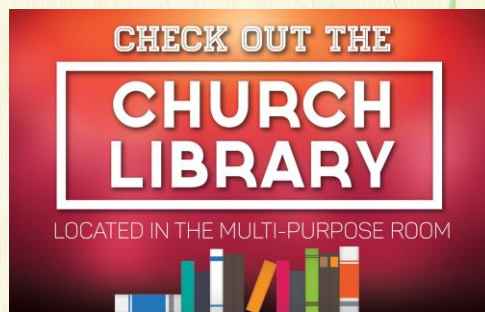
## *From Your Parish Nurse*



The next Alzheimer's Support Group meeting will be held this Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the Bryson Room in Colestock Health Center at Quincy Village.

The topic is "open discussion" so bring your questions and comments to the meeting. Heather Coy will also discuss the "Memory Care" units at Quincy and will also talk about the difference between "personal care" and "assisted living".

If you have questions, contact Barb Tengler at 717-762-3372.



## New To The Library

### Silent Cry (Q-NEW)

-by Dorothy Newton

Raised in poverty, then married to an abusive NFL superstar, Dorothy's life is today one of recovery and victory.

### Keeping the Faith (F-FOR)

-by Marie Fortune

Guidance for Christian women facing abuse.

### Misty Inn Series (B-HEN)

Inspired by M. Henry' books

Willa & Ben have just moved to Chincoteague Island where their parents have opened a B&B. Here they meet new friends and have new adventures.

### Tales From Maple Ridge (B-GIL)

-by Grace Gilmore

Set on a farm in Illinois in 1892, this series follows a small town community through the eyes of 8-year-old Logan Pryce. ----- Beautiful illustrations.

### The Baxter Family Love Story (L-KIN)

-by Karen Kingsbury

### Catching the Wind (L-DOB)

-by Melanie Dobson

### A Time to Stand (L-WHI)

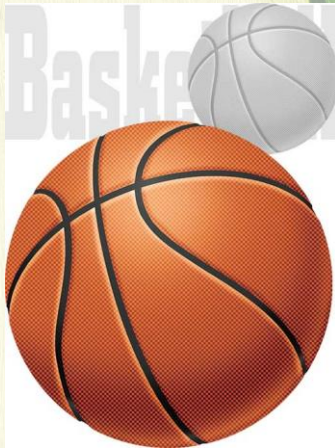
-by Robert Whitlow

### God Bless the Broken Road (L-DOR)

-by Jennifer Dornbush



## 2018 Boys & Girls Basketball 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades



If you want to make new friends while learning techniques, skills, and the game of basketball, this may be for you!

Dates: (8 Saturdays)  
January 6, 13, 20, 27  
February 3, 10, 17, 24

### Schedule:

9:00 – 10:00am – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade  
10:15 – 11:15am – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade  
11:30am – 1:30pm – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade

\*\*This schedule may change depending on participation.

To sign up, complete the registration form that was placed in your mailbox and return to Dwayne Buhrman's mailbox or contact Dwayne at 717-765-4784.

Parents: Your help is needed to help make this successful. If you have questions or interested in assisting with this program, please contact Doug Miller (717-263-4789) or Dan Izer (717-504-2051).

## Financial Update – November 2017

### GENERAL FUND

#### SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH

Balance November 1, 2017 = \$73,432.83

November Contributions = \$108,363.23 (This includes contributions from October 29 which were not included in October's report)

Weekly goal = \$21, 211

October 29 = 20,344

November 5 = \$26,497

November 12 = \$16,539

November 19 = \$25,856

November 26 = \$20,341

November Expenses = \$82,608.16

Balance November 30, 2017 = \$99,187.90

*Note: We have carried an unusually high balance throughout the year due to the fact that we budgeted for a full time Youth Director, and did not actually fill this position until this month.*

#### SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR (2017 Spending Plan)

Year To Date Goal = \$1,018, 128

Year To Date Actual = \$997,393

Over/Under YTD Goal = -\$20,735

#### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FUND

Balance November 1, 2017 = \$206,225.77

November Income = \$14,594.54

November Expenses = \$23,828.40

Balance November 30, 2017 = \$197,991.91

#### CONTINGENCY FUND

Balance November 30, 2017 = \$158,881 (2017 gain = \$208)

#### SPECIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Balance January 1, 2017 = \$246,084.00

2017 Gains = \$32,778.00

Balance November 30, 2017 = \$278,862.00



## *To All Quilters Or Those Who Want To Be*



We will be having a quilting get-together for those who are interested, the second Monday of the month, beginning January 8<sup>th</sup>.

There will be a presentation of a project or skill to learn and then a project for ministry to work on. We will meet in the chapel wing from 9am-12pm.

You can be an experienced quilter or someone who wants to learn. We would love to help you and to fellowship together. Let us know if you plan on attending and we will be giving you more information as the time gets closer.

Karen Butts will be heading up this ministry. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact her at [717-655-7475](tel:717-655-7475) or [717-495-2804](tel:717-495-2804) or email [zm4@comcast.net](mailto:zm4@comcast.net)

## *Recycling Update*



A big thanks to everyone who has and continues to bring your aluminum cans to our church. As always, please place them in the recycling containers placed throughout our campus.

All proceeds from this ministry support our missionaries. God Bless!

## *Girls' Day Out Women's Conference*

*-Sponsored by Pregnancy Ministries, Inc.*

*Saturday, January 27...9am - 3:30pm*

*Come early! Registration, shopping & continental breakfast begin at 8:00am.*

*Coffee bar, Fun vendors, Continental breakfast, Delicious lunch. And girl time!*

***Be Brave, Growing Up and Moving On:*** *Dare to be honest about the areas where you are stuck; Identify the places where the Lord desires to work in your life; See beyond your current circumstances to the plan He has for your life; Position yourself to bravely tackle the obstacles that keep you from becoming the woman He created you to be.*

***Otterbein Ministry Center***  
***912 S. Potomac St.***  
***Waynesboro, PA 17268***

*Admission by donation to Pregnancy Ministries, Inc.*

***RSVP by January 17<sup>th</sup> online at [www.pregnancyministries.org/events](http://www.pregnancyministries.org/events) or call 717-267-3738.***



# *Brave*

# YOUTH GROUP

SCHEDULE

*Below is a list of events and activities that the youth are assisting with, participating in or will be invited to be part of:*

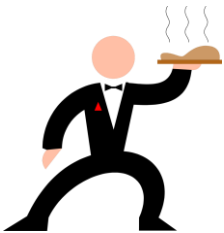
*“You can find more information about our events, including permission slips, on the church website or join us on Facebook; our group name is; Five Forks BIC Youth Group, or see Pastor Shaun.*

*\*Please be aware that there is extra financial assistance available to any youth that may need it. Do not let money be the reason that you do not participate! (See Pastor Shaun)*



Christmas Cheer & Hershey Park - All teens (6th - 12th grade) are invited to join us on Sunday, December 10th (9:30am - 6pm) as we take Sunday school on the road. We'll be heading to Quincy Home for the morning to spread some Christmas cheer to the residents. We'll sing some Christmas carols together (no, you don't have to be able to sing!) and read the Christmas story. We'll also have an opportunity to visit and talk with residents. It will be well worth your time.

Following our time at Quincy Home, we'll be heading to Hershey Park for the afternoon, where we can enjoy the rides and the park will be decorated with Christmas lights. We'll stop by and visit Santa's reindeer and of course, our trip wouldn't be complete without a visit to Chocolate World and the "Chocolate Ride"! (All 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will walk through the park with a youth leader.) You do need a permission slip and the cost for this event is \$5. Also, bring some money for a meal at the park. We'll return to Five Forks for pick up at 7pm!



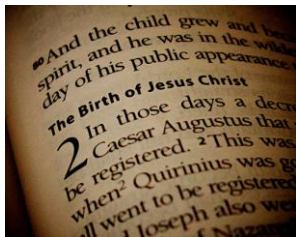
Carry Trays at Christmas Dinners - All teens are encouraged to sign up to help carry trays at the Five Forks Christmas dinners; for families with children or for elderly who need an extra set of hands as they go through the food line. You would need to be here from 6:30pm - 7:30pm and you'll even get a free, delicious meal out of it! We will have signup sheets at youth group, so sign up to help out! Talk to your small group leader for details. (Christmas dinner dates are: December 8, 12, 14).

Pedal to the Metal for the Kettle - The Five Forks youth group NEEDS YOUR COINS! You've seen them, standing at shopping malls during Christmas or outside of Walmart. They're standing by a red kettle, hanging from a stand. They're dressed in red, green and white, trying to stay warm...and usually ringing a bell. No, they're not Santa's elves;) They are the Salvation Army bell ringers, collecting loose change and coins which will be used for their outreach to people less fortunate. It's a thankless job and very cold. So the Five Forks teens want to cheer up these folks and bring them a HUGE Christmas surprise and we need the whole church to be involved. For three Sundays in a row: November 26, December 3, 10...EVERYONE at Five Forks (children, teens, adults) bring your loose change to church with you. Dig down in the deep cracks and crannies of your coats and jean pockets, your living room furniture, under your car seat, wherever you can



think of. When you arrive at the church, located in the foyers outside each of the services you will find a large kettle...drop your coins in the kettle! We want as many coins as we can get. Then on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> the youth group will gather up all of the coins we have collected, we will load up the church bus, crank up the Christmas music and head out to the local shopping centers, where we will pay a visit to our Salvation Army friends. At each location, we will offload from the bus and form a huge line with our whole group and create quite a scene as we overflow the bell-ringers buckets with handfuls of coins! We will put the "PEDAL TO THE METAL FOR THE KETTLE". Bring your coins and be a part of this awesome opportunity.

Big Church Night Out w/ Newsboys – All teens 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for a road trip to Towson University on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> for the Newsboys tour "Big Church Night Out." We'll leave Five Forks Church at 1pm and head for nearby Towson Town Center Mall to hang out and eat dinner before the concert. Then we'll head over to the concert venue for the rest of the evening to see the Newsboys. We will return about midnight on Saturday night. You do need a permission slip and the cost is \$15 for this event plus bring any money for food or purchases you make at the concert. Tickets are limited, we can only guarantee spots for the first 30 who sign up, so don't wait!



Youth Group Christmas Party - "Rockin' around the Christmas tree, at the Christmas party hop..." On Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> (6:30pm - 8:15pm) during youth group we'll be having our annual Christmas party! We'll be meeting in the auditorium that night, we'll crank up the Christmas carols over the sounds system, play some crazy Christmas games, and enjoy some delicious holiday food. After all the craziness we'll settle down, turn down the lights and gather around on auditorium stage in front of a rocking chair as we read the Christmas story together, remembering the birth of our Savior who entered this world, because of his great love for us. It's gonna be a special night you don't want to miss!

Floor Hockey Night - Feeling those holiday blues! Christmas break, no school, haven't seen your friends in a couple of weeks, getting kind of bored...all teens (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to join us on Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> for our annual youth group floor hockey night. Jr. High teens are invited from 6pm – 7:30pm. And Sr. High teens are invited from 7:30pm – 9pm. We'll even turn out the lights for part of the evening and play floor hockey in the dark "glow stick style" ...it's a youth group tradition you don't want to miss!



Sr. High Murder Mystery – DATE CHANGED - The Senior High Murder Mystery Dinner has been rescheduled for Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, so mark your calendar now! We're going all out this time for the greatest murder mystery meal of your life. You'll have to play along, dress for your part, get into character. You'll get a really good meal, great service throughout the evening, and someone will not make it out alive...it could be you! Keep your eyes posted for further details!