

PLEASE NOTE: Names on the prayer list will be taken off after two weeks unless there has been a change or a family member asks to keep their name on the list. To add or remove a name, please Email: gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com or Phone: 717-653-4717 (leave a message on the answering machine with the information).

**LET US REMEMBER WITH PRAYERS AND CARDS:** (Week of 12-4-22)

- **STAFF & ALL THEIR LOVED ONES** – for spiritual protection; if Satan can't get to the person, he will attack their family.
- **MISSY BINKLEY** – is at home, having daily therapy and making progress.
- **IRENE DENNIS** – is still in Penn State Lancaster Medical Center, case worker is looking into a place for her to go since she can't be at home alone.
- **DIANE GORDON** – friend & neighbor of EmmaJane Davis; had a possible stroke November 18, was in Hershey Medical Center.
- **JOE PUCKHABER** – had 2<sup>nd</sup> round of chemo, there were some complications. Will have a PET scan after 3<sup>rd</sup> round in mid-December. He is very fatigued.
- **DON WITMER** – (Debbie Nissley Martin); is at Lancaster Rehab, working hard every day.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY is extended to Pam Miceli and the family of her sister, Sandy Kelty, who passed away on November 24, 2022. Also, our deepest sympathy is extended to the Forry's, Elslager's, Carroll's and all family and friends of Nicole Elslager who passed away on Tuesday, November 29, 2022 one day before her 47<sup>th</sup> birthday.

HOMEBOUND PERSON OF THE WEEK: MaryAnn Miller is the homebound member of Glossbrenner featured this week. Take a moment to drop a note or card in the mail or make a phone call to let MaryAnn know we are thinking about her.

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**ONGOING**

- UKRAINE
- Persecuted Church
- Our Homebound Members: Joyce Baker, Elmer & Irene Dennis, June Hostetter, MaryAnn Miller, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, Karen Reynolds, Vivian Yingst
- Janice Barber, Annette Bubacz, Kayleigh Bubacz, Karen Elslager, Karen Moore, Mindy Neideigh, Rev. Joe Puckhaber, Linda Reheard
- Elected officials

**GLOSSBRENNER MISSION STATEMENT**

**GROW • PRAISE • SERVE**

Grow in Our Christian Faith  
Praise God through Worship  
Serve Others to Glorify God



**December 4, 2022**

**GLOSSBRENNER**

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

713 Church Street, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania 17552

717-653-5683

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**DECEMBER 4, 2022 – Happy Hour is 9:30 A.M.**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION**

*On this second Sunday of Advent, we eagerly welcome all who have joined with us in anticipation of the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ. May this time of worship be encouraging and inspirational to all.*

*“\*” in the bulletin indicates that you should rise if you are able.*

**GREETINGS, JOYS & CONCERNS**                     *Mark Rorabaugh*  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to Our Internet Viewers**

**CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR THEIR CHURCH**

**LIGHT ADVENT WREATH**                     *Dave & Shannon Cole*

**PRELUDE**   arr. S. Caudill  
           “Christmas Fanfare” with “Angels from the Realms of Glory”

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: A voice cries out “In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

**People: Lift up your heads, O gates! Be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!**

Leader: Sing and rejoice, O daughter Zion, for lo, I will come and dwell in your midst.

**People: Send the message to all that God is with us. Emmanuel!**

**\* INVOCATION**

**\* HYMN**    “Angels from the Realms of Glory”.....No. 220

**OPENING PRAYER (Unison): Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way of our salvation. Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**ANTHEM - Bell Choir**    “Coventry Carol” arr. Anna Laura Page

**PASTORAL PRAYER LORD’S PRAYER (sing)**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**    “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”                     arr. T. Fettke

**\* DOXOLOGY**.....No. 95

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\* HYMN**    “Love Came Down at Christmas”.....No. 242

**MESSAGE**                     “Prepare the Way”  
                                       Ezekiel 33: 1-9  
                                       Matthew 3: 1-12

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\* HYMN**    “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”.....No. 240

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* POSTLUDE**                     “From Heaven Above”                     arr. G. Young

**CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

ACOLYTE: Iris Rockey  
 CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jessica Rockey  
 GREETERS: Molly Hart, Melinda Myers  
 LITURGIST: Mark Rorabaugh  
 MONEY COUNTERS: Linda Gockley, Joe & Deb Ziegler  
 MUSIC DIRECTOR: Justine Madonna  
 NURSERY: Marcia Brooks, Lisa Ober  
 ORGANIST: Loine Bert  
 OUTSIDE GREETERS: Joe Davis, Russ Miceli  
 PASTOR: Brian Albert  
 SOUND, LIGHT & MEDIA: Barbara Albert, Dave Eichler, Mark Myers, Andy Ober, Chad Ober, Ken Ober  
 HEAD USHER: Ron Blechinger  
 USHERS: Joe Davis, Molly Hart, Wayne Kauffman, Wayne Kennedy, Debbie Nissley Martin, Debbie Nissley, Vaughn Nissley, Carol Rorabaugh, Barb Thompson, Dick Thompson, Bob Waters

Attendance for November 27, 2022	In-person Worship: 85
	Livestream views: 20
	YouTube views: 45
	Sunday school: 41
Amount received for November 27, 2022-----	\$3,891.00
Total amount received as of November 27, 2022-----	\$276,522.33

## RECURRING ANNOUNCEMENTS

**REGISTRATION:** All who are present please take a moment to sign and pass the attendance registration pad (located at the end of the pew closest to the center aisle).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Children 3 years old to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade meet in Room #2. Those in grades 4-8 meet in the room next to the Youth Room. The All Stars meet in Room #1 (across from the Nursery); the Koinonia class meets in the Parlor. NEW CLASS: Young Adult – currently meeting in the Youth Room.

**FROG (Fully Rely On God) CAFÉ:** From **8:45** a.m. to just before church starts, come and fellowship. Enjoy a cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate. Hope to see you there!

**PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL:** Please join us at 9:15 a.m. to pray for the worship service.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** If you have any prayer requests, please fill out the “Prayer Request” sheets placed in the registration pad folders and place it in the “Prayer Request” box on the table in the lobby. Extra sheets are available beside the box.

**GREETING CARD MINISTRY:** If you know of someone who is in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or would appreciate receiving a card from us, please call Betty Robinson at 717-366-4549.

**GROCERY GIFT CARDS** for Giant and Weis are available to purchase in the FROG Café Sunday mornings before and after the worship service.

**HERSHEY PARK VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:** Hershey Park Attractions and Food & Beverage shifts are available for volunteers. The hourly rate is \$8.00 which goes to the church; volunteers still receive tickets. Contact Betty Robinson for information: 717-366-4549 or [blrmrj@comcast.net](mailto:blrmrj@comcast.net)

### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (12-4-22 to 12-11-22)

Today:	8:45 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:15 am	Prayer in Chapel
	9:30 am	Worship Service-Live, Livestreamed & Recorded
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	3:00 pm	Auscultation Brass Concert
Monday:	6:30 pm	2030 Group
Tuesday:	6:30 pm	Youth Group
Wednesday:	6:15 pm	Bible study
	7:30 pm	Bell Choir rehearsal
	8:15 pm	Choir rehearsal
Thursday:	6:00 pm	Praise Team practice
	7:00 pm	Administrative Board meeting
Friday:	5-7:00 pm	Drop off cookies for Cookie Walk
Saturday:	9:00 am to ?	Cookie Walk
	5-7:00 pm	Family Christmas Night
Next Sunday:	9:30 am	Worship Service – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent
		Praise Team – Food Bank Sunday

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – 12/4/22

### HOLY COMMUNION

Today we will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion as we continue to prepare for Christ’s coming. A Love offering will be collected during the regular offering. (Love offering envelopes have been placed in the holders on the back of the pews.) The money collected for this offering will be used, at the discretion of the pastor, to ease the burden of a member of our church community who is in need of our love.

### STARLIGHT

Starlight will practice today and December 11. We will take part in the 9:30 a.m. worship service on December 18 and on Christmas Eve for the 7:00 p.m. service.

### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA PLANTS

If you would like to order a poinsettia plant, please fill out the tear sheet in today’s bulletin and place in the offering plate or Jackie Roberts’ mailbox. TODAY IS THE DEADLINE to place an order.

### AUSCULTATION BRASS AT GLOSSBRENNER

A benefit concert for the Alzheimer’s Association will be presented by The Auscultation Brass today at 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The event is hosted by Harry’s Heroes. A freewill offering will be taken. Light refreshments will be provided at the end of the concert.

“And the wise men presented Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense and mirth.”  
(You think that’s a bad joke? Just wait, there’s myrrh coming.)

### ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

The Administrative Board will meet Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the All Stars classroom. All those interested in the business/wellbeing of the church – in addition to board members – are invited and encouraged to attend.

### CHRISTMAS FAMILY NIGHT

Weis and Giant gift cards are much needed and appreciated to make our upcoming family Christmas night possible!! We are also in need of volunteers. Please contact Jess Rockey.

### FOOD BANK SUNDAY

Just a reminder that next Sunday is Food Bank Sunday. Please place your non-perishable food donations in the cart in the back hallway. Thank you for your continued support.

### “GIVE A GIRL A CHRISTMAS”

Each year during the Christmas season we have a project that raises actual gifts, or donations toward the purchase of Christmas gifts for the ladies, and their children at New Life for Girls. This year we are asking for **gloves/mittens** for adults and children, and the following personal items: **deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrushes for adults and children, shampoo/conditioner, Bar soap (Not body wash), tissues, ChapSticks. All items should be in the New Life for Girls bin by December 11.** If you would like us to purchase the gift for you, please designate your check to “Give a Girl a Christmas”. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Hopple at 717-341-7408.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Caring Hands & Hearts is collecting Christmas cards for the homebound. You can bring your cards and place them in the basket on the mailbox counter on or before **December 18**. Thank you for helping us spread a little Christmas cheer to: Joyce Baker, Elmer Dennis, Irene Dennis, June Hostetter, MaryAnn Miller, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, Karen Reynolds and Vivian Yingst.

### CHRISTMAS CANTATA

On Sunday evening, December 18 at 7:00 p.m. the Chancel Choir will be presenting “Ceremony of Candles” a cantata for Advent and Christmas by Joseph M. Martin. Mark this date on your calendar – you won’t want to miss it!

**THE UPPER ROOM** for **NOVEMBER and DECEMBER 2022** is available in the lobby/narthex. Free!

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you notice something that should be taken care of by the trustees in **DECEMBER**, please contact Jim Miller at 717-653-4654. Thank you, Don Musser, for your faithful service in November!

Overheard at the mall:

Dear Santa, Last year I asked you for a baby sister. This Christmas, please take her back.

### CHURCH FALL CLEANING

Fall church cleaning has been extended to the month of **DECEMBER** because of the lift construction. The narthex/lobby and areas around the lift site will need to be cleaned thoroughly after the work on the project has been completed. If you would like to help with the fall cleaning, you may come anytime when it is convenient for you. A list of rooms to be cleaned is posted on the cleaning closet door (next to the women’s restroom in the Sunday school hallway). Cleaning supplies are available in the closet, however, if you can bring a bucket and a few rags it would be great! Your help is greatly appreciated! Many thanks! Desireé Whitcraft (717-330-4559)

Overheard at a Children’s program:

Joseph asked the inn keeper if there were any rooms, and the young man said “You are in luck. We just had a cancellation.”

### Pastor Brian Albert

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Church Office - 717-653-5683 - Email: [jackier@gumcmj.net](mailto:jackier@gumcmj.net)

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Justine Madonna, Music Director

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### TO ACTIVATE GLOSSBRENNER’S PRAYER CHAIN

Email: [gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com](mailto:gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com) or Phone: 717-653-4717 (Leave a message on the answering machine with the information.)

Greeting Card Ministry: Betty Robinson – 717-366-4549

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Kathy Binkley – 717-653-2791

# FAMILY CHRISTMAS NIGHT

Saturday, December 10

5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Free! Family Fun!

Family Christmas Photo, Hot Chocolate Bar,  
Cookie Decorating, Crafts, Wrapping & Card  
Stations, Food...

Please fill out and place in offering plate  
or Jess Rockey's mailbox.

## Family Christmas Night

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults \_\_\_\_\_

# Children \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I can help at a station!

## COOKIE WALK

DECEMBER 10, 2022

\_\_\_\_\_ I will make \_\_\_\_\_ dozen cookies for the  
cookie walk on December 10th

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



## COOKIE WALK

Caring Hands and Hearts will be holding a cookie  
walk on **Saturday, December 10, from 9:00 until  
cookies are gone. BAKERS ARE NEEDED** to fill  
the trays with delectable cookies for the walkers to  
fill their boxes.

Please fill out the tear sheet above if you are able to  
provide cookies for the walk and place it in the  
offering plate or give it to Bonnie Engle or Sue Kopp.  
You can also give Bonnie a call at 717-824-1368 or  
Sue at 717-653-2770.

Cookies can be dropped off at the church on Friday,  
December 9th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

You will also want to mark your calendars to come  
and fill a container from a large variety of homemade  
cookies for only \$12.00 per container.

Your support of this fund raiser is greatly  
appreciated.

## HOLIDAY POINSETTIA ORDERS

Poinsettia plants will be placed in the sanctuary for the Christmas Eve services on December 24. If you wish to place a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill out the tear sheet below to place your order.

Two options are available: 6½" (5 to 7 blooms) for \$9.00 and 4½" (3 to 5 blooms) for \$5.00. (Make checks payable to Glossbrenner UMC). The plants may be picked up after the evening Christmas Eve candlelight service.

TODAY is the DEADLINE to place an order.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ OF PLANTS @ \$9.00 EACH \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ OF PLANTS @ \$5.00 EACH \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Place in offering plate or Jackie Roberts' mailbox.)

(Circle if paid) PAID