

Announcements:

Today: Mutual Aid Offering

During months with five Sundays, a special deacon (Mutual Aid) offering is collected to help build our Mutual Aid Fund. This fund is used to help folks in our fellowship during financial crisis. If you are able, please give towards this special offering. Your well-marked gift can be placed in the offering plate.

Offering Envelopes

If you requested offering envelopes for the new year, they are available today for pick up in the entryway of the church.

Next Sunday: Pantry Sunday

The first Sunday of every month is designated as Pantry Sunday. Please place your offering of nonperishable food to restock a local food pantry in the cabinet located in the entryway **next Sunday**. A monetary gift is just as useful. Please place your well-marked gift in the offering.

Church Board & Daycare Liaison Committee Meeting

The Church Board and the Daycare Liaison Committee will have a joint meeting after Sunday School on **Sunday, January 6th**. This meeting is intended for all board members and those persons on the committee only. Please bring a bagged lunch and your questions, concerns, and ideas about the daycare. Congregation members should email a board member with their questions, concerns, and ideas so they can be brought to the meeting for discussion.

Upcoming events: Pancake Breakfast

The monthly community outreach pancake breakfast will be served on **Saturday, January 12th** from **8-11am** in the fellowship hall. Join us for a home cooked meal of pancakes, eggs, breakfast meats, hot & cold drinks and more. The cost of this meal is a free will offering. All are invited, invite a friend! Interested in helping out? Contact Mike Hanna.



Compelling Vision Conversations

The Compelling Vision Process Team (CVPT) seeks to engage as many people as possible in the process of conversation and discernment to arrive at a compelling vision for our denomination. This is an opportunity for you to give voice to your passions and concerns, listen to one another, and work together to identify common threads and themes that might point to a shared and compelling vision. The CVPT Team will then report as a district to the denomination at this summer's Annual Conference. Your last opportunity to join in the conversation is **Saturday, January 12th** from 10am-noon at Pleasant Ridge CoB located in PA. This session will be led by Paul Munday.

Book Club

Looking for a great book for the New Year? The book club suggest reading "*A Gentleman in Moscow*" written by Amor Towles. This exciting novel holds many adventures for the main character all while being on house arrest in a hotel. Join for the discussion at The Sack's home on **Friday, January 25th** at **7pm**. All attending is asked to bring a snack to share with the group. Completion of reading is not required to enjoy this social event. All are welcomed.

With love: Keeping warm during church

If you get a little chilly during the worship service, we have got you covered. The sanctuary can become a little drafty during the winter months. **Beth Kagarise** made lap blankets for the congregation to use during worship as a service project for Girl Scouts. There is a shelf with bins in the back corner of the sanctuary area – please borrow for the service and return to the bins afterwards. Thank you, Beth, for your service project that provides warmth, and was made with love!