

# Bellevue Presbyterian Church

## BELLEVUE TIDINGS



Bellevue is a family of faith who lifts up the name of Jesus Christ in Worship,  
teaches the Truth of Christ to those who follow Him, and shows the Way to Christ to those who do not know Him.

Purpose Statement of Bellevue Presbyterian Church

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### CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

10:00 a.m.

We will have just one service of worship on Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>. We will gather for Worship at 10:00 a.m. and there will be no Sunday School or Children's Church that morning. Following the service we will have a special Coffee Hour featuring "A Birthday Party for Jesus."



### CHRISTMAS CAROLING DECEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to join in an afternoon of caroling on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. The group will go into the community in which our church building resides using Christmas carols as a reminder of the meaning of Christmas. Singing skills are not a prerequisite, just a joyful spirit to share in the celebration of Christ's birth. We will gather together at 4:00 p.m. at Bellevue and then head into the neighborhood. Dress warm as the sun will be setting. In conclusion we will come back together at Bellevue for some cookies and hot chocolate before heading home.

### "JOURNEY OF PROMISES"

CHRISTMAS CANTATA  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18<sup>th</sup>



Bellevue's Sr. Choir and Instrumentalists invite you to worship on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> when they will share the cantata "Journey of Promises" by Joseph Martin. *"Come on a journey, a journey of promises. Walk in the path of prophets and listen to their voices. Come on a journey of promises fulfilled. Walk in the path of the saints and hear their words. Come on a journey through time. Travel the distance from promise to fulfillment."*

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>

6:30 p.m.

The kids in Sunday School would like for you to join them as they present *Christmas Letters: The Musical* on Sunday night December 11<sup>th</sup>. The program will start at 6:30 p.m. and will include a short musical, some singing and lots of wonderful kids. Following the program all are invited downstairs for cookies and refreshments.



We strongly encourage all parents to make sure their kids are in Sunday School where they will be learning the songs and for those with a speaking part they will be practicing their lines. All children from 2 yrs. old through sixth grade can participate but we need them in Sunday School to learn what they are doing.

Please help us by supporting the children as they retell the Christmas story in their own way. We hope they will have a lifetime of sharing this amazing story of how God took on flesh and dwelt among us. Join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, encourage the children to be bold in sharing the Christmas story, and as we worship a God who loves us so much He sent His one and only Son.

And yes... we need lots of cookies. Leave them in the kitchen in the area marked Children's Sunday School Christmas Program.



**6:00 p.m.** – Informal family Service with an emphasis on children and families but not exclusively for them

**8:00 p.m.** – Traditional Christmas Eve Service with the Sr. Choir and Resounding Joy bell choir

**11:00 p.m.** – Candlelight Communion Service

# Christmas Message From the Pastor

*William S. Davies, Jr*

We are indebted to Luke, the author of the third gospel, for most of what we know about the birth of Jesus. Now although his writing was entirely inspired by the Holy Spirit, God used him to communicate the “Christmas Story.” Luke began his Gospel with these words, “Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. Therefore, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning, it seemed good also to me to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may know the **certainty** of the things you have been taught” (Luke 1:11-4). This prologue to Luke’s Gospel, comprised of a single sentence, ranks among the finest Greek writing of the first century and demonstrates Luke’s skill and credentials as a writer.

Time and space will not allow me to unpack the whole of these first four verses of Luke’s Gospel so let me jump quickly to the last phrase, “so that you may know the **certainty** of the things you have been taught.” Many place the date of Luke’s Gospel some thirty years after the death and resurrection of Jesus – some sixty plus years after Christ’s birth. Apparently others, perhaps Mark and Matthew but not limited to just them, have already produced written accounts of the “Story of Jesus.” By this time there was also a lot of oral information, stories and hearsay being circulated widely about this Jesus of Nazareth. However, Luke states very clearly that he is writing so that Theophilus (an official of high standing) and others might know the **certainty** of the things that were being said and taught about Jesus. The written Word of God was given to us for that very reason: that we might know the Truth and Word of God. Oral tradition is wonderful, sometimes amazingly accurate, but is often twisted and changed to align with the beliefs and the opinions of the teller. The Word of God was written that we might know the truth, that very truth that sets us free.

Now this is all pretty heavy or academic for a Pastor’s Christmas message. (That is not my intent.) My intent is to remind all of us that as Christians Christmas is not just a nice time of the year during which we remember a nice story about the baby Jesus. Christmas is about the incarnation of God into

human history, or as the disciple John would write, several decades after Luke’s writing, “the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory.” Knowing the **certainty** of that truth we know that everything in this world revolves around Him who was born in Bethlehem two thousand years ago. May we live out that truth in both word and deed as we celebrate Christmas along side of those who have no real understanding for the reason of the season.

Sharon joins me in wishing all of you a very blessed Christmas filled with the knowledge and experience of a grace-filled walk with Jesus, the Word made flesh.

## PULPIT PREVIEW

### DECEMBER 2011

December 4 <sup>th</sup>	“Standing Firm in Your Faith”	Isaiah &:1-14
December 11 <sup>th</sup>	“Shoots & Roots”	Isaiah 11:1-10
December 18 <sup>th</sup>	“Journey of Promises”	
December 24 <sup>th</sup>		
6:00 pm	“A Gift for a King”	Matthew 2:1-12
8:00 pm	“A Gift for a Priest”	Matthew 2:1-12
11:00 pm	“A Gift for a Savior”	Matthew 2:1-12
December 25 <sup>th</sup>	“A Beautiful Name...that the Angels Brought Down to Earth”	Luke 1:31

### JANUARY 2012

January 1 <sup>st</sup>	“Everything New”	Revelation 21:1-8
January 8 <sup>th</sup>	"Here Comes The Judges"	Judges 2:6-19
January 15 <sup>th</sup>	"The Left-Handed Judge And The Fat King"	Judges 3:12-30
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	"Deborah: A Prophetess of Israel"	Judges 4:1-10
January 29 <sup>th</sup>	"Where Two or Three Are Gathered"	Judges 6:36-7:8



## DEACONS' GIFT TAG TREE



The Board of Deacons invites you to coffee hour on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> highlighting this ministry outreach. The Deacons Gift Giving Tree will once again be filled with gift giving ideas with a gift suggestion for either a member of our congregation, our community or a young child from the Pequea Valley School District. We request that gifts be returned by Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> to allow delivery in time for Christmas. Additionally, we are looking for those willing to serve by delivering a gift or two. As we prepare to celebrate God's gift to us, may we His children share our blessings with others.



## CHRISTMAS CARDS

It is that time of year again when we send Christmas greetings to friends and family. Deacons will be providing a Christmas Card bulletin board again this season. Please consider one card for the church family displayed on the board, in lieu of cards in all of the mailboxes. Any savings you have can be donated in the gift box on the bulletin board for the Deacons fund for community outreach. Thank you!

## MITTENS AND HATS, GLOVES AND SOCKS, AND TURKEYS



The Board of Deacons extends a "abundant thanks" to all who participated in the Mitten Sunday gifts and Money Savers for turkeys. A total of 35 hats, 81 pairs of gloves, 79 pairs of socks and 11 scarf sets were delivered to the elementary school to be distributed to children in need.

We were able to deliver 220 pounds of turkey to the Water Street Rescue Mission for its annual Thanksgiving dinner. We want to say "Thank You" to everyone who donated Dollar Stretchers over the past year for this outreach.

## PEQUEA VALLEY SR. CITIZEN CONCERT

December 9<sup>th</sup> - 11:30 a.m.



Pequea Valley High School invites all senior citizens to a special concert on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. in the high school auditorium. After the concert a free lunch will be served in the cafeteria. You can make your reservations for lunch by calling 717-768-5500 by December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Those wishing to meet at the church and car pool are asked to sign the P.V. Concert Car Pool Sheet at the *Welcome Center* (car poolers are asked to gather at 11:00 a.m.).



## G.A.P.

(Gals Are Praying)

## DECEMBER AND JANUARY

In December the G.A.P. will have a joint meeting on Monday evening, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the church Library for a dessert fellowship and a study of Mary. All ladies are invited to join us.

In January, the G.A.P. will meet on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to begin our study of Lisa Harper's  Holding out for a Hero: A new spin on Hebrews . Lisa will be one of the presenters at *Among Friends* in April. She is the former director of women's outreach for *Focus on the Family* and a speaker at *Women of Faith*.

We are told: *"Throughout the study, Lisa guides readers along the road to a more complete understanding of Hebrews as she discusses such timeless themes as trusting God in tough times, holding onto hope when life is hard, and the importance of running toward God when you feel like running away. This study helps readers understand what life was like for a Jewish Christian during the first century and parallels that to our own trials today."*

Both groups are growing and there is room for more. Come join your Bellevue sisters for a time of study, prayer and fellowship as we learn how much we have in common with first century Christians and what we can learn from them. If you have any questions or need more information please speak to Ruth Davies or Louise Quillin.



Pippi Villa

During the first Advent in which I was able to celebrate Christ's birth with Bellevue, the Sanctuary housed the most fragrant fresh evergreen. The tree's limbs were draped with ornaments that glistened from the hanging white lights. It was most picturesque in its beauty. However, for the life of me I could not figure out why everyone wasn't pronouncing Christmas Tree correctly as they referred to it; then someone kindly informed me.

Bellevue has incorporated a *Chrismon Tree* into worship during Advent for over 35 years with each ornament being made by a member of the church. The term Chrismon comes from a conjunction of the words CHRIST + MONogram. Chrismon Trees date back to 1957, when Frances Spencer originated them at Ascension Lutheran Church in Virginia. There are specific standards for a tree to be considered a Chrismon, with the intention being that it all points to God and His glory.



The base starts with an evergreen, a symbol of eternal life. This imagery of Christ is the backdrop for lines of tiny white lights; each light reminding us that Christ is the light of the world (John 8:12). Reflecting each light, gold and white handmade symbolic patterns adorn the evergreen. These ornaments are a combination of simple and detailed, monogram and pictorial, ancient emblems and new explanations of God's constant presence. Each Chrismon decoration is intentionally designed to correspond to the life of Christ and meaning of Christmas. They are created using white and gold beads, ribbons, etc. to represent the Lord's purity and majesty respectively. Chrismons cannot be bought or sold, but are to be made to give in love and in celebration of Christ's birth.

The stunning illustration of church history and theology paired with the meaning of Christmas show how out of place shiny balls and stockings are during the celebration of Christ's birth. This Advent season I would encourage you to take another look at the Chrismon Tree. Let the resonating smell of evergreen remind you of Christ's gift of eternal life. Take a moment outside of the sermon to examine the stunning Chrismons which implicate the foundation of Christmas. During the service, let the striking visual of the Chrismon tree usher you into a time of praise and worship. May the tree's beauty reflect wholly back to God in His glory.

Sources: [chrismon.org](http://chrismon.org); [cfumcga.com/chrismons.html](http://cfumcga.com/chrismons.html);



## CHRISTMAS CHILDCARE DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>

December 3<sup>rd</sup> the youth ministry will be hosting our fourth annual Christmas Childcare. This is a day in which the youth serve the families of Bellevue by providing free childcare so that parents can go Christmas shopping. The kids get to sing songs, have Bible lessons, do crafts, watch movies, and eat snacks! It's a great day. It will be held at Bellevue from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There is a signup sheet available at the *Welcome Center*. We ask that if your child will be there during lunch that you pack one for them. Thank you!



## JR HIGH AND SR HIGH RETREATS

### Junior High Winter Retreat

January 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 all middle school students and their friends are invited to join us for the Junior High Retreat at Camp Hebron. It will be a weekend filled with spiritual growth through special speaker Jay Trainer, small group sessions, and devotionals. The weekend will also be packed with fun as we use camp facilities for group games, such as the climbing wall. Pick up a packet at the youth board for more information. The cost for the weekend is \$75, with a discount for siblings. If money is an inhibitor, please see Pippi regarding scholarships available. ***All money and paperwork is due Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.***

### Senior High Winter Retreat

February 2012 there is an opportunity for high school students to get away for a weekend filled with biblical teaching and friends. High School youth are encouraged to join in the High School Winter Retreat at Camp Hebron. We will have teaching times brought by George Davis, as well as opportunities for church small group time. We will be able to enjoy all the great activities camp has to offer! The retreat is February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and cost is \$75 (with an additional discount for siblings). If money is an inhibitor, please see Pippi regarding scholarships. Please see the packets on the youth board for more info. All money and paperwork are due Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.



Mike Wehn



### CLUB 425 December & January news

Club 425 is our fourth and fifth grade ministry and meets once a month on the third Sunday. It is meant to compliment Sunday School and Kingdom Kids while preparing kids for youth group. On December 18<sup>th</sup> we are meeting in the Kennedy room at 5:30 p.m. It will be a time of Bible study, snack and a quick game or two. On January 15, 2012 we are going to That Jump Place in Lancaster. It will cost \$8.95 which includes two hours at the facility, a slice of pizza and a drink. We will leave the church that day at 12:30 p.m. and should be back by mid afternoon. If you have any questions please see Mike Wehn.

### KINGDOM KIDS NEWS

We are having another great year at Kingdom Kids. Hope that you have had a chance to invite someone you know to join us on Wednesday nights. It is always a fun time! This December we will again take a short break around Christmas. **Kingdom Kids will not meet on either December 21 or December 28.**



### NURSERY NEWS

In our ongoing attempt to make the nursery a safe, clean and loving environment we have purchased and placed in the nursery an Evacuation Crib. This crib is designed to be a vehicle for the nursery staff to use in the case of fire or emergency to quickly get the babies in the nursery out of the building.

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

On January 1<sup>st</sup> we will begin a 9 week Sunday school quarter that will go through all of January and February. There will be three adult electives offered. The first is a class on the Persecuted Church taught by Elise Roelands. The second class is called Growing Older and Wiser being taught by Ann Hagen and Phil Castor and the last class will be a video series called Faith Lessons taught by Rob Shaubach and Paul Burns. All three classes will meet downstairs in Fellowship Hall. A full description will be included in December bulletins and can also be found on the church website [www.bellevuepresbyterian.org](http://www.bellevuepresbyterian.org).

### COVENANT GROUP NEWS DECEMBER & JANUARY



On December 14<sup>th</sup>, the Covenant Group will try the ancient practice of Bible study called "Lectio Divina", which means "holy reading" or "prayerful reading". It is a process for praying with scripture and being open to the transforming Word of God. The four steps are: 1. *Lectio- Listen to the Word of God with the ears of the heart* 2. *Meditatio- Ponder God's word in your heart* 3. *Oratio- Let your heart speak to God* 4. *Contemplatio- Rest in God.* The two Bible passages we will prayerfully read are the two songs found in Luke chapter 1: Mary's Song and Zechariah's Song. All are welcome to come for this new Advent experience. After the study, we will be going out to eat together, so join us Wednesday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. Newcomers are always welcome.

In January, the Covenant Group will start a new study which is "Miracles, Signs of God's Grace." Author Douglas Connelly describes the study with these words:

*"Most of us could use a miracle. When we open the pages of the Bible, our desire for a miracle intensifies as we read astonishing stories of God's power poured out. What do these events have to do with us? How can we experience the power of God in the struggles we face every day? This Study Guide will help you discover how God works in the world."*

On January 11<sup>th</sup>, we will start with Chapter 1 "Searching for a Sign" (Hebrews 2:1-4). On January 28<sup>th</sup>, we will study Chapter 2 "Supernatural Wonders in a Scientific Age" (Exodus 14:5-31). Join us for these fascinating studies about God's great grace to us even today. Covenant Group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the church library. Everyone is welcome.



**Don't forget to bring your books back!  
Children's Library day is the first  
Sunday of the month during Sunday  
School!**



## UPDATE ON THE FACTORY MINISTRIES



### AMONG FRIENDS AND LADIES' RETREAT

If you haven't heard April 20 -21, 2012 has a special opportunity for ladies to escape everyday life for a few hours and join their sisters for a time of fellowship, bonding, laughing, crying, encouragement and learning at *Among Friends* and Bellevue's Ladies' Retreat Weekend. This is planned for Bellevue's women in all seasons of life - no one is too young or too old; plan on coming with your mother, your daughter, your sister or your friend.

*Among Friends* will be held at the Worship Center on Friday, 7:00pm - 9:00pm and Saturday, 9:00am - 12:30pm with Kathy Troccoli, Chandra Pierce, and Lisa Harper. Over half of our tickets are spoken for, so now is the time to reserve your seat and sign up at the *Welcome Center*.

Our Ladies' Retreat will wrap around *Among Friends*. We have overnight reservations for Friday night at Amishview Inn and Suites which includes a hot country breakfast. We are also going to begin our fellowship with dinner on Friday evening and end with a pizza lunch on Saturday. With ala carte pricing everyone is invited to join in for all or any part of the weekend that works into their schedule and budget.

- Among Friends*: \$39.00
- Overnight Accommodations: \$55.00 based on quad occupancy
- Friday dinner: \$5.00
- Saturday lunch: \$4.50

Registration forms are available at the *Welcome Center*. Deposit of \$39.00 is due by December 30; and final balance by March 4, 2012.

If you have any questions or need more information please speak to Kim Mann, Heather Shaubach, Rachael Wehn, Elise Roelands, Pippi Villa, Louise Quillin, or Ruth Davies.

### NEED A GIFT FOR A LADY IN YOUR LIFE?

If you need a Christmas, birthday or other occasion gift for a lady, give a gift certificate to *Among Friends* and the Ladies' Retreat Weekend.

As the youth headed back to school and to the youth center they noticed several changes. With the continuing rise of youth attending, the board knew a change was needed as the current building is not able to handle large numbers. Starting this past fall we split; Monday nights are attended by the intermediate school students and Thursday are high school students. Counts were down at first but have increased each month. Also noticed was how the intermediate youth have opened up and been willing talk about issues on Monday nights. Tutoring is now offered at the intermediate school where bus transportation is available and for high school students at The Factory House on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Three new part time staff have been hired along with two adults completing their internships. The Factory also distributes bags of food each month to area families. Thanksgiving dinners purchased by The Factory (cooked and boxed by Bob Evans) were given to local families. Christmas brings a dinner given by a local church with gifts presented by The Factory to each youth and Christmas dinners for local families once again. With holidays here, we will not serve our monthly meal in December. The Factory Board would like to say "Thank You". Through your continued prayers and support the youth are able to have hot meals each month and enjoy the holidays. As we get ready to celebrate the holy birth of Jesus our Lord and Savior, we would like to wish you a Blessed Christmas.



### 2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES

You will soon find the 2012 offering envelopes in your church mailbox. All members will receive a numbered box of envelopes. If you are not a member but would like a box of envelopes please let the church office know. Thank you to all who returned their pledge cards.





## SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

There will be a service of ordination and installation of elders and deacons during the morning worship services on Sunday, January 8, 2012. Ordination is a high and solemn occasion where the elected leaders of the church are set apart and installed into their office as ruling elders or deacons in Christ's Church. The Elders in the Class of 2014 are Phil Castor, David Doutrich, Dirk Hagen and Frank Rotella. The Deacons in the Class of 2014 are Beckie Castor, Toni Holton and Kara Snyder. Please remember to pray for these church officers as well as the other leaders of our church.

## THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



The Annual Congregational Meeting of Bellevue Presbyterian Church will be held Sunday, February 12, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. All material for the yearend report is due to the office by January 15, 2012. The 2012 Annual Report will be available on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

## M.O.B. (Men of Bellevue) December 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m.



The M.O.B. will meet at Wimpy and Dee's Diner for breakfast on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am. Wimpy and Dee's is an old fashioned diner located along Rt 322 in Honeybrook, about ¼ mile west of the intersection of Rt 322 and Rt 10. If you have any questions or need better directions, please see Gary Snyder.

The M.O.B will meet on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am in the Library. We will be beginning a new series of studies from the 2010 Ligonier National Conference, entitled Tough Questions Christians Face. Some of the topics we will be discussing are: Why Did Jesus Have to Die?, What is Evil and Where Did it Come From?, Is the Bible Just Another Book?, and If God Is Good, How Could He Command Holy War? Join us for a time of fellowship and Bible Study.



## BELLEVUE TROTTERS

Looking for some fun on Monday and Thursday evenings? Come and join us as we "walk, walk, walk" our way to better health and have fun doing it! Led by Mandy Doutrich (and her supply of Leslie Sansone DVDs) we meet in Fellowship Hall (lower level) at 6:00 p.m. and walk with the DVD. No experience necessary and you follow along at your own pace. We invite you to join us (since it is dark and cold outside) for this time of WARM fellowship! If you have questions please see Mandy Doutrich or Louise Quillin.

## THANK YOU

The M.O.B. (Men of Bellevue) would like to thank the Bellevue congregation for their overwhelming outpouring of love for the Operation Christmas Child project. Our contributions filled 92 boxes with all kinds of goodies. Remember to pray for the children who will receive those boxes. Pray for them to receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.



## NOW CANCELLATION INFORMATION SUNDAY MORNINGS

In the event of inclement weather please tune in your radio to **WDAC, FM94.5** or **WJTL, FM90.3**, TV station **WGAL-Lancaster**, or call the church office at 442-4077 for cancellation information. Should we need to cancel we will normally cancel the 8:00 a.m. service and Sunday school and hopefully have the 10:45 a.m. service. You can also check on the church website [www.bellevuepresbyterian.org](http://www.bellevuepresbyterian.org) for updated information.

## WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

In the event of inclement weather – if school dismisses the students early or is closed due to bad weather (we will follow the Pequea Valley School schedule due to our location) **THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES**. If you have any questions you may call the church office and either someone will be there or the voicemail system will have information. We will also try to get this information to the above radio and television stations

# CHATTERBOX

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## NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE

All articles for the **February/March 2012 newsletter** are due in the office by **January 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you have anything you would like included in the newsletter, please forward to Louise Quillin or leave it in her mailbox at the church. Articles can also be forwarded via e-mail to [bellevue@epix.net](mailto:bellevue@epix.net). Thank you.



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Dear friends and family of Bellevue,  
Vince and I want to thank you all for the cards, visits and food provided to us during Vince's illness. God has truly blessed us by giving us such a wonderful family and friends. Vince and Bea Eby

Dear Bellevue Friends,  
Thank you so much for your cards, prayers, and kind words at the time of my brothers' death. Also, the Gideon Bible in Jesse's memory was very nice. All were greatly appreciated. Joe Stauffer

Thanks to all of you for your prayers, cards and telephone calls during my surgeries and hospitalizations over the last several months. Thanks to Bud and Kristine for their caring ministry. It has been a blessing to have a praying and caring church family. Dick Stauffer

## SENIOR BIRTHDAYS

(We celebrate with those who have reached 80 yrs. and older!)

December 9<sup>th</sup> – Vince Eby

December 14<sup>th</sup> – Zelma Hoar

December 21<sup>st</sup> – Erika Neidhardt

December 26<sup>th</sup> – Millie Ream

January 16<sup>th</sup> – Bob Williams

January 21<sup>st</sup> – Shirley Anderson

## HOSPITAL PATIENTS

Hershey Medical Center – Dick Stauffer

Lancaster General Hospital – Chuck Coates

John Harsh Paul Mullen

Nancy Dennis Marjorie Miller

Ruth Hohenstein Bob Reynolds

## New Church Pictorial Directory



Pictures for our new Church

Directory will be taken on the follow dates:

*Friday, March 23 – 2:30 pm to 9 pm*

*Saturday, March 24 – 10:00 am to 5 pm*

*Thursday, March 29 - 2:30 pm to 9 pm*

*Friday, March 30 - 2:30 pm to 9 pm*

*Saturday, March 31 – 10:00 am to 5 pm*

Sign up will begin in February 2012

Free 8x10 and a Church Directory to all who participate.



## FLOWER CALENDAR

Flower Calendar

The Flower Calendar for 2012 can be found on the easel in Friendship Hall for your review and to sign for flowers next year. The flowers are still \$50.00 for two arrangements and can be placed in honor of, in memory of or even in celebration of anyone. The flowers are then available for you to take home or to give to someone who could use some cheering up.

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