

# THE MESSENGER

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*Our Christmas Eve Candlelight Services will be held at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.*



2<sup>nd</sup> - Gil Culbreth, Hazel Murphy  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Judy Mix, Janice Spyker  
6<sup>th</sup> - Anne Young  
7<sup>th</sup> - Sandy Watford, M/M Larry White

## BACK BY POPULAR

**DEMAND:** The Christmas Card exchange box is located in the Fellowship Hall. **PLEASE BRING CARDS TO SHARE ONLY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ATTENDING REGULARLY.** Please sort your outgoing cards alphabetically when placing them in the box. **EVERYONE**, please check the box for cards addressed to you and your family. Any cards not claimed by Sunday, January 5 will be disposed of.



12<sup>th</sup> - Dana Straight  
14<sup>th</sup> - Janet McKinley  
15<sup>th</sup> - Darrell Enfinger  
17<sup>th</sup> - Jennifer Gagliano  
23<sup>rd</sup> - Ed Fletcher  
26<sup>th</sup> - M/M Joe Ostavitz  
29<sup>th</sup> - Jim Barnhart, Helen Brumitt  
30<sup>th</sup> - Joe Suarez  
31<sup>st</sup> - Peggy Lampi



We are very grateful to the generous donors for the Audio Visual Fund. The equipment has been installed and working very well. We have completely paid for both the AV equipment and the upgraded computer. Unfortunately we are still running a deficit in our general fund. Please consider an extra gift as you plan your year end giving.

The United Women in Faith will meet for lunch at the historic bank building on Tuesday, December 10 at 11:30 a.m.

On Sunday, December 15, following the worship service we will have our annual covered dish Christmas Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited. The meat will be provided. This will be our monthly dinner for December. Please bring your favorite vegetable, salad, side dish or dessert and plan to join us for great food and fellowship.



**PUMPKIN PATCH:** The Pumpkin Patch was another success this year, with a profit of over \$7,000. This will go into the general fund. Thanks again to everyone who helped with the Pumpkin Patch.