

Dennis Union Church

Making a Difference

Sunday – December 10, 2017

PRAYER LIST – Dec. 10, 2017

FLOWERS: Given by Jane Springer
and Tony Coccio
“In loving memory of Jane’s
father, Herb Sturges”

DEACON OF THE DAY: Bob Waldo

USHERS: Howard & Judy Chesley,
Peggy McAloon

THIS WEEK AT DENNIS UNION CHURCH

SUNDAY – Dec. 10

10:00 Worship - Pageant
11:00 Fellowship – Cookie Sale
12:00 Dennis Stroll
1:00 Eventide story telling in Fellowship Hall
3:00 Carol Sing

MONDAY – Dec. 11

6:30 Finance
7:30 Trustees

TUESDAY – Dec. 12

8:30 Auction Crew
6:30 Council

WEDNESDAY – Dec. 13

9:30 Clergy
5:15 Casseroles and Carols
7:00 Choir

THURSDAY – Dec. 14

7:30 Al-Anon

FRIDAY – Dec. 15

SATURDAY – Dec. 16

4:00 All Choirs Christmas Concert
5:00 Living Creche

Nursing Home

Edith Conti – Liberty Commons
Robert Darling – Wingate of Brewster

Health Concerns

Beth Boyd
Richard Burnham
Anthony Coccio, Jr. (son of Tony Coccio)
Bob Colpitts (brother of Nancy Aceti)
Doris David
Nancy Fuller
Russell Gillis
Ann Johnson (Dave Crocker’s mother)
Kennedy Joy (member of the Cerbonne Family)
Bob Maclin (father of Betsy Crowell)
Bruce and Carol MacPherson
Geri Noble
Elizabeth Peterson (niece of Laura & Blair Jasie)
Bill Springer (brother of Earl Springer)

Others to Support with Prayer

Service men and women serving at home and
abroad

COOKIE SALE



Our annual cookie sale is today, immediately following the 10:00 service. The first dozen is \$5.00 and \$3.00 for each dozen after that! Proceeds are going to the Colombia mission project.

POINSETTIAS

Christmas Poinsettias are on sale during Fellowship today. Plants can be purchased in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Plants will arrive in time to make the church look beautiful and can be picked up and brought home on Dec. 24 or 31.

REMINDER!

Committee Chairs: Don’t forget to turn in your annual reports!



STEWARDSHIP

Many thanks to all who have made a pledge to support the church's mission and ministry in 2018. Your generosity is appreciated! It's not too late to return your pledge card. Pledge cards may be returned in person or by mail.

COMING UP!

CASSEROLES AND CAROLS!

Save the date!! We will have a Christmas Covered Dish Supper this **Wednesday, December 13 at 5:15**. Please plan to be there! Sign up today during Fellowship. Let us know if you will be bringing a casserole or a salad. Please bring your own plates and silverware.



PROJECT GAIA

The Dennis Union Church welcomed Harry Stokes, Executive Director of PROJECT GAIA in 2015, and the church generously embraced his charity. Maggie kindly organized a special concert with Harry's son, Colin, a cellist along with John Wolfe, organist and Katie Goddard, violinist. We look forward to another concert this coming year.

Nancy Berquist will be at a Project Gaia table during social hour in the coming services. A donation of a stove(s) to a needy family makes for a wonderful gift in your name or another's for Christmas, births, birthdays, weddings, anniversaries and memorials.

Project Gaia donates lifesaving cookstoves that remove disease causing pollution from households who normally cook with charcoal. Project Gaia provides clean ethanol burning stoves that allow women and girls, who otherwise would venture outside for firewood, to study and be productive. It saves on average 27 hours per week in foraging for firewood. This allows time for school in a toxic-free environment. Each stove impacts an average of 7 people and avoids 20 pounds of fuelwood per day. This contributes to combating deforestation.

A donation of \$25.00 is a wonderful gift for Christmas or for any occasion. Nancy Berquist will be offering the opportunity to purchase these stoves after coffee hour beginning today. If you have any questions, feel free to contact her.

DECEMBER EVENTS – STARTING NOW!

During Fellowship, we will have our annual **Cookie Sale**. The **Dennis Stroll** will be from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. today, with lots of family activities around town. Children will be busy in our lower level. Our **Carol Sing** will be from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. **Eventide** will have a story teller on the stage in Fellowship Hall starting at 1:00 p.m.

As mentioned, we are having a **Covered Dish Supper** this Wednesday, December 13, at 5:15 p.m.

On Saturday, December 16, we will have an **All-Choirs Concert** at 4:00 p.m., followed by the **Living Creche** at 5:00 p.m.

On Sunday, December 17, We have our **Music Sunday** service...with all choirs performing. It's also Secret Santa Sunday!

On Sunday, December 24, we will have three worship services. Our regular service at 10:00 a.m. with "Cranberry Shores" as a guest choir, and **andleight services** at 4:00 and 9:00 p.m.

Our annual "**Lessons and Carols**" service will be on Sunday, December 31, (New Year's Eve) at 10:00 a.m.

THANK YOU!

I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, offers of rides, cards and general positive messages given to me over the past few months. It has been a long haul, but I am feeling better then I have in a long time. Still some rehab to do on my leg, but must wait until the back heals. Patience is a virtue, I lack it but am learning. A special thank you to the group of ladies who do the prayer shawls. I have been given one, and what comfort it has given me. Nothing is better then curling up on your bed or couch and have it wrapped around you. Not only does it give you warmth, it also gives you comfort of the prayers, work and energy that was put into it.

Can't thank all of you enough. Although it was a painful experience, it was a special experience knowing how many people were helping me along the way. Special thoughts for all of you. –Barbara Lussier

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

The Minister, officers and congregation of Dennis Union Church offer their sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Elmer Eschenburg who died on December 3, 2017.