

PAYNE AVENUE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

1459 Payne Avenue North Tonawanda, NY 14120



December 2024 NEWSLETTER

We hope you enjoy catching up with current events and all the happenings Within our Church and Church Families!

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship Service Hour.....10:00 a.m.
A quiet room is available for families with small children, which is located in the back of the church.

Visit us on the Web: <http://www.PayneAvenue.org/>

[Our web site is now up and running, be sure to look it over!](#)
[All upcoming Events are in the Newsletter which is always posted on the Website!](#)

E-Mail Address:

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WiFi is available in the church building and on the grounds; Password Peace2All

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“ANNOUNCEMENTS”

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Will be held at 7:00 pm on Christmas Eve

**Be sure to pick up your poinsettia plants after the service
On Christmas Eve!**



***Please see Holiday office hours listed on the final page.**

Deaconess Schedule

December (5 Sundays)

Prepare – Shirley Jayne Clean Up – Nancy Golba

Elders at the Table

December 1	Bread – Becky Wilson	Cup – Brett Kofod
December 8	Bread – Bob Link	Cup – Brett Kofod
December 15	Bread – Ken Ozzimo	Cup – Bill Wolcott
December 22	Bread – Ross Benton	Cup – Leah Benton
December 24	Bread – Leah Benton	Cup – Ross Benton
December 29	Bread – Jim Wokersien	Cup – Barb Wokersien

Rev. Hope Douglas Harle-Mould

Help Us to See, Hear, and Feel Your Presence

An Advent prayer by Hope Harle-Mould

*God of the Incarnation,
help us to see, hear, and feel your presence
as we celebrate once again the birthday of Jesus.*

Keep our eyes from being blinded by the maze of blinking colored lights.
*Rather, help us to see you in the steady glow of a single candle
that can banish darkness and be a beacon of hope.*

Keep our ears from being deafened by Christmas carols
incessantly repeated over shopping center Muzak and radio.
*Rather, help us to hear with new ears
the words and melodies of these songs
in which the world so desperately needs to believe.*

Keep our senses from being insulated from those around us
by roll after roll of slick wrapping paper.
*Rather, infuse us with such a spirit of giving
that those expecting gifts from us
may have their breath taken away
by what it is we have to give.
And may our giving reach out to include those
who never knew that **we**—
who knew them so little—
could care so much.*

*We pray in the name of Emmanuel.
Amen.*

Continued Prayers are being requested for the following:



Prayer Requests

Burton Merrian and Devon Compton, nephew of Paul White and Nancy Mueller, Ken Miller, Brian's father-in-law, Billy Wilson a nephew, Jan Tooke and her Sister-in-law Ronni, Lorna Annis, Diane Misner (Bob Link's daughter) Harry and Lois Madrid (requested by Jan Tooke) Cynthia Pullman, Madeline Mock and Vince Perfetto (Friends of Marcy's) Autum Lee, Sherrie Ostwald, Don Golba. Rev. Dr. Arthur Davis, Shirley Jayne, Sue and Ross Benton, Leah Benton and daughter Ruth, Bob Link's Daughter Shelly and Grandson William and Son-in-law David Misner, Karen Lawrence and her daughter Rhonda and her friend Sharon Weiss and Lisa Geraci.

***There will be copies of this list printed and located on the Deacons tables. Please be sure to take one home so you continue to keep them in your prayers. *Please note, after a 6 week period names will be removed unless a special request is received in the office. Thank you.**

To be added to the Prayer Chain call Jan Tooke 693-2848 (before 9pm).

*In memory of Jack and Marge Zobrist
and Janet Rider
By Mary Caldwell*



*In
Loving
Memory*



Thinking of You!

Please remember our members that are unable to be in their homes any longer....they would love to hear from you...send a card it will help them knowing we care!

Thank you!

**Cynthia D. Pullman,
Comfort Care @ Our Lady of Peace Skilled Nursing
5285 Lewiston Road
Lewiston, NY 14092
Room 254
(daughter of the DiBernardo's)**

**Susan Benton
Is now in Hospice
c/o Elderwood Room 214D
2850 Grand Island Blvd.
Grand Island, NY 14072**



"IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT"

If anyone needs to be placed on the Communion to Shut-Ins list please be sure to contact Becky Wilson at 998-9052.

All of us at the North Tonawanda Interchurch Food Pantry offer our heartfelt thanks to everyone who stepped up to meet the need for groceries (especially cereal) to restock our nearly empty shelves last month. During the month of October, you donated 11 bags of food and personal care items. Your generous response shows that although Payne Avenue Christian Church may be few in numbers, we can have a big impact on the lives of refugees and other people in need. I believe this is a great way for us to live and love in God's Kingdom!

May our loving Lord continue to bless and inspire you.

Gratefully, Nancy Golba



RECYCLE

For many who do not know or may have forgotten...here at PACC we accept clean returnable drink bottles and cans that are taken to the redemption center and the money received is part of our fundraising.

Please consider donating your returnables and place in the large bins at the entrances of the church! Thank you!



Let's Celebrate!

December Birthdays

8	Vern Ortel	21	Frank Akins
14	Sarah Ann Misko	25	JESUS
16	Rebecca Wilson	25	Bennett Shamrock
17	Adam Ozzimo	27	Paul Stuart Benton
18	Rachel Misko Hand		
19	Andy Krull		



January Birthdays

3	John Harbridge	9	Jason Papke
4	Marissa Wokersien Tetzlaff	21	Jennifer McGlone
4	Janith Tooke	21	Rhonda Lawrence
5	Mary Dzik	30	Michael Shamrock
8	Heather Ozzimo		

December Anniversaries

Michael and Amanda Shamrock December 16th

***I would like to update the birthdays and anniversary dates so please be sure I have this information for all members of your family so they can be included each month.**



COFFEE HOUR

Coffee is available every Sunday morning at 9:15am.

On the first Sunday of each month, the coffee hour includes sweet treats!

Also, introducing an additional Coffee Hour and Fellowship Sundays every first and third Sunday of the month following the Worship Service. We are looking for volunteers to help during the third Sunday...please see the sign-up board in the center of the church. Thank you!



THANK YOU!

The Sanctuary has been completely decorated!

Thank you to everyone who helped to decorate our church for Christmas! It looks amazing!

New this year!

WREATH/SWAG SALE

CHRISTMAS 2024

The swags and wreaths that have been ordered by individuals will be available to take home on Sunday, December 1st, before or after church. Thank you to everyone who supported this new venture!



**UPCOMING
Drive Through
CHIAVETTA'S CHICKEN BBQ**

THIS SATURDAY DECEMBER 7TH FROM NOON TO 4PM

Be sure to let all your family and friends know! Dinners are \$15 and include ½ chicken, macaroni salad, baked beans, a roll with butter and a homemade dessert! Come early as we might sell out again!

POINSETTIA SALE CHRISTMAS 2024

The Worship Committee is planning to decorate the altar of PACC for Christmas with a variety of live poinsettia plants (6 & 1/2" pots) in your choice of color (red, white, pink or marble). If you would like to purchase and share your plants with the Congregation in this way, please contact Becky. Order forms are available on the table in the center of the church, the Deacons will all have envelopes available for you to enclose cash or a check payable to Payne Avenue Christian Church. These will be collected by Becky Wilson or placed in the Offering plate. If you are mailing in your request, please send it to PACC @ 1459 Payne Avenue, North Tonawanda, NY 14120. Attention: Becky Wilson. The **DEADLINE** is **Sunday, December 8th**. The Worship Committee plans to have them on the Altar on Sunday, December 15th and will be there through the Christmas Eve Service, Tuesday, December 24th. Contributors may pick up their orders after the Christmas Eve Service @ 7:00 pm.



You can call me with an order and pay by Sunday the 8th @ 716-998-9052 (Becky).

Please note: The church office will be closed from Monday, Dec. 23rd and reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2025...Marcy will be on vacation. Bulletins for December 22nd, 24th and 29th must be submitted to the office no later than December 19th so I have time to process and print everything. Articles for the January Newsletter should be submitted by January 2nd. Thank you all and Merry Christmas!

