



# South Harborcreek United Methodist Church

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In-Person & Online Service @10AM | Children's Sunday School @10:30AM | Nursery Available For Parents & Children

## Thursday December 12, 2024

Pastor - J. Tim Hoover  
Youth Director - Sue Fuller  
Music/Media Director - Linda Morey  
Administrative Assistant - Katie Sadler  
Building Facilitator - Mary Montgomery

Council Chair - Jim Loeffler  
Secretary - Stephanie Kraft  
Finance - Chuck Myers  
Trustees - Dane Charlton  
Staff Parish - Diane Senger

Council on Ministries - LeAnne Morton  
Youth - Lia Hackenberg  
Treasurer - Linda Stewart  
Young Adults -  
Lay Leader -

### A STELLAR CHRISTMAS

SHINE JESUS LIGHT

Too often we ignore the lights we see in the sky at night. We may look at it and say aren't they pretty tonight, but aside from that we seem to know or care little about the lights in the sky at night. But this Sunday our children will cause us to look up and see the stars in the sky in a new way.

The children will share the Christmas story with us by focusing on the stars above, and how they helped lead the way to Jesus' birth. Join us and them as they present "A Stellar Christmas!" Be prepared to participate along with them and enjoy the innocence of our youth as they share the birth of Christ with all of us.

Happy Birthday  
**BABY JESUS!**

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after service this Sunday for a birthday celebration for baby Jesus! Immediately following this weeks service we will gather for cake and a much needed time of fellowship. All are welcome and encouraged to stay.

### Caring TREE OUTREACH

Our Caring Tree tags with the names of Food Pantry clients are due this Sunday, December 15th. Please make sure that if you took a tag that you have purchased & wrapped a gift, attached the tag from the tree and are returning it this Sunday. And thank you, for partnering with us, in making a difference in someone else's Christmas season.

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE CHOIR

## SATB CHOIR NEEDED!

If you are interested in joining voices with others in our congregation to sing praises unto the King this Christmas season, please stay after church this Sunday for the second practice. Our Christmas Eve service will be December 24 at 5PM. If you have any further questions about the SATB Christmas Eve Choir please direct them to our Music Director, Linda Morey.

### CHRISTMAS CAROLING

SUNDAY, DEC. 15 | 1:30 - 4:30 PM | 5-12TH GRADE

Our Jr. and Sr. High SHUMY students will be gathering this Sunday to go Christmas Caroling from 1:30-4:30PM. All 5th-12th grade students are welcome to join us. Please direct all questions to our Youth Director, Sue Fuller.

### END-OF-YEAR DONATIONS

DUE DEC. 30

THREE WAYS YOU CAN DONATE:

- 1 OUR APP
- 2 OUR WEBSITE
- 3 CASH OR CHECKS VIA MAIL/OFFERING

As the end of the year draws near, please keep in mind that in order for your donations to be credited for 2024 they will need to be received by December 30th. If you are feeling the desire to support our ministry financially there are three ways you can do this: via our app, via our website and via checks/cash in the mail/offering.



Elna's Tuesday morning Bible Study meets every week at 9:30-10am for prayer followed by their Bible study at 10-11:30am. December 3, 10, 17 and January 7 they will be reading "Because of Bethlehem" by Max Lucado. Everyone is welcome. Let Elna Morton know you want to join so she can have the materials for you.



Our Parsonage Renovation team is in need of some help right now! Things are moving along beautifully next door, but they are going to be doing insulation work and could use some extra hands. If you are capable of helping, please contact Ron and Linda Miller to find a time. Remember, many hands make light work (Nehemiah 3).

## Galatians

Bible Study with Christa Craven  
Tuesday Nights @6PM

Every Tuesday at 6PM Christa Craven will be leading a study of the book of Galatians. If you are interested in attending, please sign up in the narthex. If you have questions, please contact Christa Craven for more details.



We have an Advent Bible Study led by Diane Senger available. Every Wednesday for 4-weeks (11/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18) we will gather from 6:30-7:45PM in the multipurpose room to read "Because of Bethlehem" by Max Lucado. See Diane Senger with any questions!



This Saturday, December 14th, our Women of Worship will gather for their super yummy Christmas fellowship time! From 11am-1pm they will have lunch and participate in their annual Christmas Cookie Exchange in the multipurpose room! All women of the church are welcome. Just sign up to bring 4 dozen of your favorite Christmas cookie, homebake them, and come ready to swap!



If you have a student who is participating in a winter sport, please send their schedule to Pastor Tim or our church office. We will add their event schedule to our calendar so we can support them as a church.

## ASL INTERPRETATION AVAILABLE AT

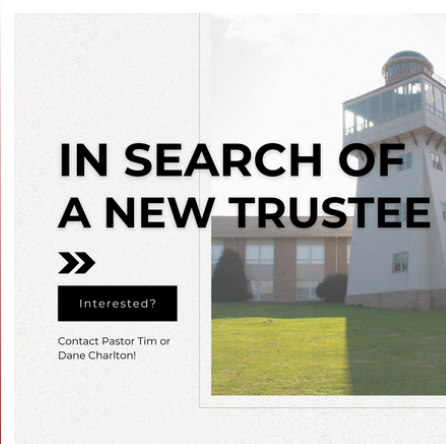


SOUTH HARBORCREEK UMC  
BY REQUEST.

South Harborcreek UMC is a space that welcomes and strives to include everyone and we are happy to announce that this even includes our Hard-of-Hearing and Deaf brothers and sisters. Sign language interpretation during our Sunday service is available upon request. Please make your request known by the Thursday prior to the service you or your loved one will be attending and we will have arrangements made.

## The Message Of JESUS.

Beginning Tuesday, January 7, Christa Craven will be leading a Book Study. Every Tuesday this group will meet at 6:00PM in the multipurpose room where they will be studying the book "The Message of Jesus" by Adam Hamilton. If you are interested in participating in this study please sign up in the Narthex. Any and all questions can be directed to Christa Craven.



Our Trustees are looking to add 1, possibly 2, new trustees. This is a 3 year long commitment. Please prayerfully consider joining the team. If you think you may be interested please contact Dane Charlton, Pastor Tim Hoover or our church office. Thank you.

## Sacraments & SPIRITUAL PRACTICES

MARCH 21-23

All are welcome to participate in an upcoming retreat at Jumonville from March 21-23. The Sacraments and Spiritual Practices Retreat counts as an advanced course for Lay Servant Ministries. Rates vary based on occupancy of your room, so please consider coordinating roommates before registering. You can register at <https://wpa-reg.brtapp.com/2025retreat>.



# 24-25 Winter Youth Schedules



DATE	EVENT	STUDENT	SCHOOL	TIME
12/12/24	Winter Concert	Johnny Shaffstall	Collegiate HS	7:00 PM
12/15/24	Jr Philharmonic	Johnny Shaffstall	Strong Vincent MS	3:00 PM
12/17/24	Winter Jazz Concert	Johnny & Jess Shaffstall	Collegiate HS	7:00 PM
12/23/24	Varsity Swimming	Maddie & Joel White	Iroquois HS	10:00 AM
1/06/25	Varsity Wrestling	Lyle Carnes	Harborcreek Jr. High Gym	7:30 PM
1/08/25	Varsity Wrestling	Lyle Carnes	Harborcreek HS	7:30 PM
1/09/25	Varsity Swimming	Maddie & Joel White	Erie HS	6:00 PM
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1/11/25	PMEA Orchestra	Johnny Shaffstall	Collegiate HS	1:00 PM
1/16/25	Dance Showcase	Jess Shaffstall	Collegiate HS	6:30 PM
1/22/25	Varsity Wrestling	Lyle Carnes	Harborcreek HS	7:30 PM
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2/03/25	Varisty Swimming	Maddie & Joel White	Erie HS	6:00 PM
2/05/25	Varsity Wrestling	Lyle Carnes	Harbocreek HS	7:30 PM
2/06/25	Varsity Swimming	Maddie & Joel White	Erie HS	6:00 PM
2/13/25	Varsity Swimming	Maddie & Joel White	Penn State Behrend	6:00 PM



# DECEMBER 2024



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Advent	2	3 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christ Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros	4 6:30 AM Men's Study 6:30PM Advent Bible Study	5 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal	6	7 1-3 PM SHAWL MIN SHUMY/His Shining Lights @2pm at Elmwood
8 Multi-Purpose Room Occupied Advent	9	10 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christ Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros	11 6:30 AM Men's Study 6:30PM Advent Bible Study	12 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal	13	14 W.o.W Advent Dessert & Program SHUMY/His Shining Lights @2pm
15 Christmas Pageant 1:30-4:30PM SHUMY Christmas Caroling Advent	16 6:30PM Administrative Board Mtg	17 9:30AM Elna's Sm Grp 5:30PM Wesleyan Sm Grp 6PM Christ Craven Sm Grp 6:30PM Band of Bros	18 6:30 AM Men's Study 6:30PM Advent Bible Study	19 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal	20	21
22 Communion Advent	23	24 5PM Christmas Eve Service	25 Christmas	26 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal	27	28 Fellowship Hall Occupied
29	30	31				



# JANUARY 2025



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19	20 6:30PM Administrative Board Mtg	21	22 6:30 AM Men's Study	23 6:30PM Sweet & Salty Bible Study Praise Rehearsal	24	25
26	27	28	29 6:30 AM Men's Study 6PM Council On Ministries Mtg	30	31	



# **Winter Blast**

**AN ERIE-MEADVILLE DISTRICT YOUTH  
RETREAT AT WESLEY WOODS CHRISTIAN  
CAMP GRAND VALLEY, PA**

**February 21-23, 2025**

**Cost \$110/per person**

*This year our winter  
Retreat will be at Wesley  
Woods. We are combining  
with other Churches in  
the district! More  
information to follow but  
please mark your  
calendars now!*

