

Puckety Presbyterian Church

1009 Puckety Church Road
Lower Burrell, PA 15068

(Return Service Requested)

Last Day For:

Post Scripts Information:

Third Friday of the month.

Bulletin Information:

The Tuesday before the Sunday the
article is to be announced

REMINDER:

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Children's' Church 10:00 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 7:00PM



Puckety Church

*Following Jesus...
Making Disciples...
Loving One Another
as He Loves Us*

Post-Scripts
a monthly publication

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Please join us for our annual Puckety Church Christmas Lunch immediately following worship on December 8th! Fellowship and Care will be preparing a wonderful meal for all! Feel free to bring a dessert to share! See you there!



OUR FINANCES:

MONTH	INCOME	EXPENSES
OCTOBER	\$ 15,173.26	\$ 10,414.81
YR TO DATE	\$ 166,291.59	\$ 142,193.54

PRAYER REQUESTS!

IF YOU ARE NOT ON OUR PRAYER CHAIN, PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR IT. IT ONLY TAKES A MINUTE TO LIFT SOMEONE WHO MAY NEED YOUR PRAYERS! CALL OR EMAIL THE OFFICE. WE HAVE AN EMAIL PRAYER CHAIN AS WELL AS A PHONE CALL PRAYER CHAIN.



In December

- 1 Beth Dober
8 Chari Burtner
15 Michelle Gordon
22 Mick Dober
24 Cliff McKay
29 Brandy Roland

Your Session:

Debra Artman
Jack Barnett
Rebecca Fisher
Michelle Gordon
Jolene Kostelansky
Charlene McKay
Jennifer McKay
Matt Wehrle
Chuck West

Corporate Officers:

President: Sophia Earhart
Vice-Pres.: Matt Wehrle
Secretary: Debra Artman
Treasurer: Donna Bracken

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

DEB ARTMAN
MICK DOBER
SOPHIA EARHART
REBECCA FISHER
KELLY KAPELEWSKI
BRENDA MCALLISTER
CLIFF MCKAY. SR.

Your Deacons:

Sandy Ankney
Beth Dober
Mick Dober
Margie Hazlett
Traci Kirchartz
Brenda McAllister
John McAllister
Brandy Roland
Maria Schafer
Rodney Schafer
Peg Uhing
Jean Welte

CHURCH STAFF

**Administrative
Secretary:**
Kelly Kapelewski

Treasurer:
Donna Bracken

Choir Director:
Lorraine Menk

Organist/Pianist:
Sue Close

Housekeeper:
Irene Nelson

Financial Secretary:
Judy West

GREETERS SCHEDULE

- 1 Michelle Gordon and
Matt Wehrle
8 Deb Artman and
Jolene Kostelansky
15 Chuck West and
Rebecca Fisher
22 Jennifer McKay and
Jack Barnett
24 Charlene McKay and
Michelle Gordon
29 Matt Wehrle and
Deb Artman

POWER OF PRAYER

To the family of God here at Puckety: We want to remind you that there are people here at Puckety who are available to pray for you after the worship service and we invite you to take advantage of these opportunities for prayer. We are asking that all who desire prayer to come and be seated in the first or second pew, up by the communion table. This will help us be aware of your desire for prayer. "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." (James 5:16b)



OFFERING
COUNTERS

- 1 Janet Karan and
Deb Artman
8 Chuck and Judy West
15 Sophia Earhart, Jolene
Kostelansky and Matt
Wehrle
22 Helen Crissman and
Marilyn Crumley
29 Janet Karan and
Deb Artman

Like and follow us on Facebook for updates and info on activities and events as well as announcements!



"The Veteran's Day Service was beautiful. It touched my heart as it recognized the men and women who had dedicated parts of their lives or their very lives to the country. I will make sure I send in a picture of my dad, Elmer Burd, who served in the Navy during the Korean War for next year's service.

The alter was the prettiest that I can remember. The front wall that recognized each branch of the military was impactful. We tend to forget that our freedom comes with a price and the flags were a reminder to me that there are many ways to serve and many who serve.

The decorations knit seamlessly into Cliff's message.

Thank you for the time and thoughtfulness given to make Veteran's Day a special moment."

Joy Burd

THE BEAUTIFUL TABLE AT OUR VETERAN'S LUNCHEON HONORING THOSE THAT SERVED.



CAYDEN SIMEONE LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.



Bible Readings

The Bible readings are from
"Book of Common Worship"

For the week of:

December 1:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

December 8:

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

December 15:

Isaiah 35:1-10

Psalms 146:5-10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

December 22:

Isaiah 7:10-16

Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19

Romans 1:1-7

Matthew 1:18-25

December 29:

Isaiah 63:7-9

Psalms 148

Hebrews 3:10-18

Matthew 2:13-23



If you are not currently on our email list and would like to receive our weekly Friday morning emails that briefly describe the upcoming Sunday sermon and contains important announcements for future events, please email the office at kelly@pucketychurch.org and we would be glad to add you!

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## Blessings On Your Birthday!!!

- 3 Donovan Cosentino
- 6 Howard Newell
- 8 Mark Benish
- 9 Debbie Fotheringham
- 10 Nita Serene
- 12 Bernard Adams
- 13 Karen Tkach
- 14 Jeffrey Burtner
- 17 Emma Hough
- 20 Becky Cosentino
- 21 Julia McAllister
- 23 Bill Dailey
- 24 Amanda Schirato
- 27 Linda Zurenski
- 29 Joyce Ewing
- 30 George Tkach
- 31 Jack Guyer

Please include the PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee) in your daily prayer list!

\*Ask God to work schedules out, so that they can meet when needed and all be able to participate.

\*Ask God to give them wisdom as they do interviews with candidates, to hear what is being said as well as what is not being said.

\*Ask God to give them unity of thought and mind as they rate/rank candidates, so that they would be led to the pastor God desires for Puckety.

\*Pray about anything else for them that God brings to your mind.



The Fellowship and Care Team would like you to Submit your favorite Recipes for a Puckety Church Cookbook! It Will be gifted to our new Pastor when he/she Arrives as a welcome To Puckety gift. More Details to follow. . .

## **FELLOWSHIP AND CARE PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020**

**JANUARY 23 – COFFEE HOUR**  
**FEBRUARY 16 – COFFEE HOUR**  
**MARCH 15 – PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
**APRIL 19 – COFFEE HOUR**  
**MAY 17 – PIE SOCIAL**  
**JUNE 14 – COFFEE HOUR**  
**JULY 12 – CHURCH PICNIC**  
**AUGUST 16 – COFFEE HOUR**  
**SEPTEMBER 13 – COFFEE HOUR**  
**SEPTEMBER 26 – BONFIRE**  
**OCTOBER 25 – SOUP AND SALAD LUNCHEON**  
**NOVEMBER 8 – VETERANS LUNCHEON**



**DECEMBER STORIES OF REDSTONE**  
**CHRIST AT WORK IN OUR MIDST**  
**COMMUNICATE THE WORD... CARRY ON THE WORK...**  
**CHANGE THE WORLD**  
**TOGETHER!**

**“A SPIRIT GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY”** FOR THE 36TH YEAR, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF JOHNSTOWN WILL BE OFFERING A “GIFT” TO THEIR COMMUNITY. INITIATING THE SEASON BY STEEPING THE COMMUNITY IN THE “SIGHTS AND SOUNDS” OF THE CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS, IT ENGAGES MANY MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION. THEY COME TOGETHER TO BRING NATIVITIES, GREET GUESTS, PREPARE AND SERVE REFRESHMENTS, WORK WITH CHILDREN, SING IN THE THREE-DAY MUSIC PROGRAM AND TO PRAY. IT BECOMES A SOURCE OF JOY BOTH TO THE CONGREGATION AND TO THE COMMUNITY. ALONG WITH THE OVER 100 NATIVITIES ON DISPLAY, CHOIRS FROM BOTH SCHOOLS AND CONGREGATIONS WILL PERFORM SACRED SONGS OF THE SEASON. THE FESTIVAL CONCLUDES ON THE THIRD DAY WITH A MASS COMBINED CHOIR IN THE FINAL PERFORMANCE, CONCLUDING WITH A ROUSING RENDITION OF HANDEL’S HALLELUJAH CHORUS WHICH ALWAYS BRINGS THE AUDIENCE TO THEIR FEET TO JOIN IN. TRULY, THIS IS A “SPIRIT GIFT TO THE COMMUNITY”

**2019 FESTIVAL OF THE NATIVITY SCHEDULE – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6; 6:00-9:00 –SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7; 6:00-9:00 –SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8; 1:15-3:00; 6:00-9:00**  
**EMBER 20 – CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

## December 2019

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Monday                                                                                                | Tuesday                                                                                                                                                                           | Wednesday                                                                                                                                    | Thursday                                                    | Friday                                                                                                 | Saturday                                     |
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| <b>1</b><br>9:00 AM Adult Sunday School<br>10:00 AM Children's Church<br>10:00 AM <b>Worship</b><br>                                                                                                                        | <b>2</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>10:30 AM Card Ministry                                                 | <b>3</b><br>1:00 PM Bracken Small Group<br>4:15 PM Worship Team Meeting<br>8:00 PM N.A. meeting                                                                                   | <b>4</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>9:30 AM Meals 4 Children Food Packing<br>6:00 PM Girl Scouts<br>6:30 PM Deacons Meeting<br>7:00 PM Boy Scouts | <b>5</b><br>5:30 PM Girl Scouts<br>6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal  | <b>6</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>1:00 PM Line Dancing                                   | <b>7</b><br>Christmas Luncheon Set Up        |
| <b>8</b><br>9:00 AM Adult Sunday School<br>10:00 AM Children's Church<br>10:00 AM <b>Worship</b><br><br> <b>11:30 AM Christmas Luncheon</b> | <b>9</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>5:45 PM MS Group Meeting<br>6:30 PM Seneca Service Unit Leader Meeting | <b>10</b><br>6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 20130<br>6:30 PM Session Meeting<br>8:00 PM N.A. meeting                                                                                    | <b>11</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>7:00 PM Boy Scouts                                                                                           | <b>12</b><br>5:30 PM Girl Scouts<br>6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal | <b>13</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>1:00 PM Line Dancing                                  | <b>14</b><br>9:00 AM Snow Family Reunion     |
| <b>15</b><br>9:00 AM Adult Sunday School<br>10:00 AM Children's Church<br>10:00 AM <b>Worship</b><br><br><b>12:00 PM Votqueene Birthday Party</b>                                                                         | <b>16</b><br>Kinter Blood Drive???<br>Meals on Wheels                                                 | <b>17</b><br>1:00 PM Bracken Small Group<br>7:00 PM Sewing Guild<br>8:00 PM N.A. meeting                                                                                          | <b>18</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>9:30 AM Meals 4 Children Food Packing<br>10:30 AM Monarch Grief Group<br>7:00 PM Boy Scouts                  | <b>19</b><br>5:30 PM Girl Scouts<br>6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal | <b>20</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>1:00 PM Line Dancing<br>5:00 PM Girl Scouts Sleepover | <b>21</b>                                    |
| <b>22</b><br>9:00 AM Adult Sunday School<br>10:00 AM Children's Church<br>10:00 AM <b>Worship</b><br><br>                              | <b>23</b><br>Meals on Wheels                                                                          | <b>24</b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>7:00 PM Christmas Eve Service<br><br><b>8:00 PM N.A. meeting</b> | <b>25</b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>                            | <b>26</b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal       | <b>27</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>1:00 PM Line Dancing                                  | <b>28</b><br>11:00 AM Miller Christmas Party |
| <b>29</b><br>9:00 AM Adult Sunday School<br>10:00 AM Children's Church<br>10:00 AM <b>Worship</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>30</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED                                                         | <b>31</b><br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>8:00 PM N.A. meeting<br>                                         | <b>1</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>          | <b>2</b><br>6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal                         | <b>3</b><br>Meals on Wheels<br>OFFICE CLOSED<br>1:00 PM Line Dancing                                   | <b>4</b>                                     |



*A special Christmas devotional from Our Daily Bread titled **“Joy to The World”** is available at all entrances to the sanctuary. There are 10 Christmas-themed readings to help you discover and begin to spend time in God’s Word and understand more about God’s love.*

*May you experience the Spirit of Christmas and may the wonder of Christmas bring great Hope and Joy*

***Our Daily Bread – Regular Print  
December 2019, January, February 2020***



*The “Our Daily Bread” devotional is available for you, a friend, or relative at all entrances to the sanctuary and on the glass display case near the conference room. Please use the devotional as a way of disciplining yourself to read the Bible every day and reflect on the words of scripture with receptive heart.*



***The Deacons will once again be displaying an Angel Tree in the hallway by the library. There will be 40 names on the tree given to Puckety by Try-Life. You may begin taking Angels from the tree and registering your angel and your name/number on the tablet. Wrapped gifts should be placed under the sanctuary tree by 12.15.***

If there is ever a question as to whether we are having worship due to inclement weather, please tune into WPXI 11. Kelly has registered our church with this local news station and will post any closings with them as soon as she is made aware.







Puckety filled 19 Christmas shoe boxes. Ten boxes for boys, nine for girls. The Deacons extend their thanks to all who participated.

### **Buy your Christmas Poinsettias Here!**

6 1/2 inch **red** poinsettias for sale at \$8.75 each. Money and orders to be turned in no later than December 2nd. You may pick up your flowers on Christmas Eve after worship. Please fill out below and return with your money to the office, offering plate or Charlene McKay.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_



The Deacons will be collecting names of local families in need of a Food Basket for Christmas until Dec 19, 2019. Delivery will be Saturday, Dec 21st from 9:30-10:30am. Please email or call the church office or drop off a note!

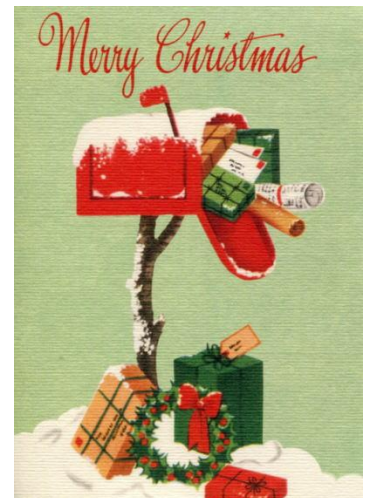
Sponsor's Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Receiving Food

Name/Number/Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children (& ages if known): \_\_\_\_\_

PUCKETY CHURCH'S WONDERFUL CHILDREN  
ARE ONCE AGAIN PASSING OUT CHRISTMAS  
CARDS TO THE CONGREGATION. WATCH FOR THE  
MAILBOX IN THE HALLWAY AND DROP IN YOUR CARDS!  
THE CHILDREN WILL DELIVER THEM EACH SUNDAY  
BEFORE WORSHIP!



# CHRISTMAS STORY

## CROSSWORD

by Marsha R. Chudy

How much do you know about Jesus' birth?

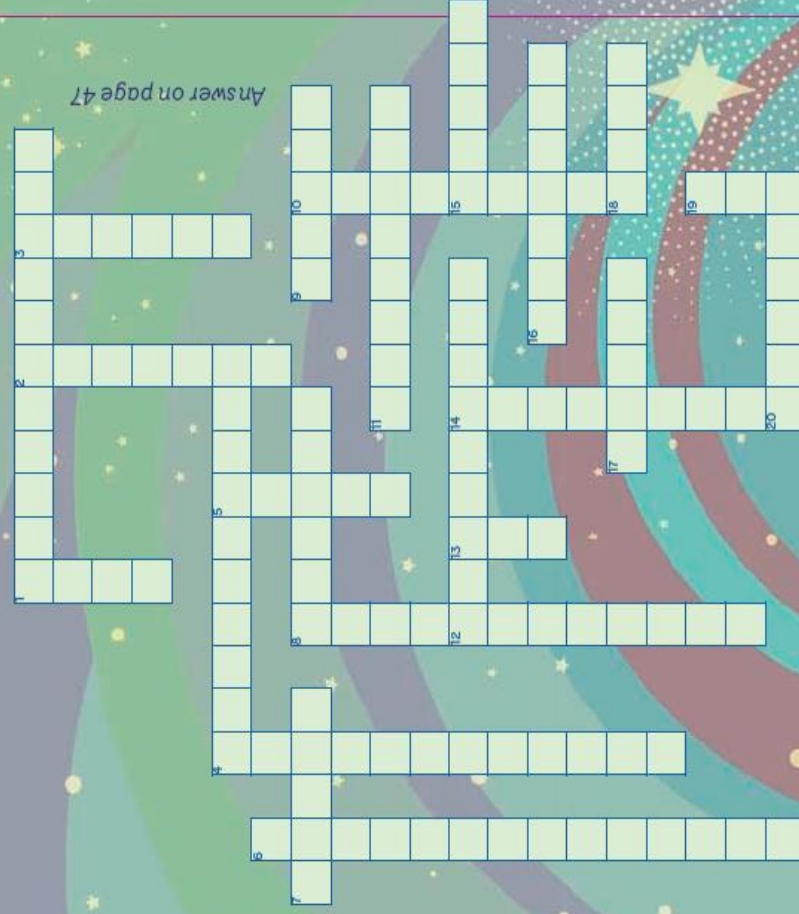
If you get stuck, check out the clues in your Bible.

### ACROSS:

1. Emmanuel means \_\_\_\_ (4 words). (Matthew 1:23)
4. The angel called Mary \_\_\_\_ (2 words). (Luke 1:28)
7. Joseph had a \_\_\_\_ about marrying Mary. (Matthew 1:20)
8. After they finished praising God, the angels went into \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:15)
9. The visitors who brought gifts came from the \_\_\_\_\_. (Matthew 2:1)
11. The angel brought \_\_\_\_ (2 words) to the men in the fields. (Luke 2:10)
12. Mary visited her relative named \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 1:36, 40)
15. \_\_\_\_ was the king when Jesus was born. (Matthew 2:1)
16. An angel named \_\_\_\_ appeared to Mary. (Luke 1:26)
17. Mary wrapped Jesus in bands of \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:7)
18. The visitors followed a \_\_\_\_ to find out where Jesus was. (Matthew 2:9)
20. Mary used a \_\_\_\_ for Jesus' bed. (Luke 2:7)

### DOWN

1. \_\_\_\_ was one of the gifts given to Jesus. (Matthew 2:11)
2. The \_\_\_\_ (2 words) travelled a long distance to see Jesus. (Matthew 2:1)
3. They came to pay \_\_\_\_ to Jesus. (Matthew 2:2)
4. \_\_\_\_ was another gift given to Jesus. (Matthew 2:11)
5. Jesus was born in the City of \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:11)
6. The visitors brought their gifts in \_\_\_\_ (2 words). (Matthew 2:11)
8. The \_\_\_\_ (2 words) appeared to the men in the fields. (Luke 2:13)
10. The men living in the fields were \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:8)
13. There was no room for Jesus and Mary and Joseph in the \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:7)
14. Another name for the city in #5 DOWN is \_\_\_\_\_. (Luke 2:15)
19. The men also gave Jesus \_\_\_\_ as a gift. (Matthew 2:11)



Answer on page 47

