

MARKET STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH JANUARY 2021

Christ Comes (Reflection from Christmas Eve)

2020 was a difficult year for many. So many have faced the death of the loved ones, Covid or otherwise. Many others struggled with illness and other health-related concerns. Others experienced loss of work or financial difficulties. Medical professionals sacrificed their lives to take care for others. Many devoted to help others so our lives could remain as 'normal' as possible. Students and teachers had to learn a new learning style. Throughout the globe, people are living in uncertainty of what the future may hold.

That is precisely why, perhaps more than ever, we all must remember the good news of Christmas: Christ comes. God chose to come and live among us. God chose to fully experience the messiness of human lives (yet does not give up on us!). Through the mystery of incarnation, God is reminding us that God never leaves us, God continues to be with us, God continues to guide our steps, God continues to forgive us, and God continues to comfort us, and God continues to give us hope for tomorrow.

Christ comes in the midst of our challenges and struggles.

Christ comes in the midst of pain and suffering.

Christ comes in the midst of grief and despair.

Christ comes in the midst of uncertainty in life.

Christ comes in the midst of human brokenness.

Christ comes, as an infant, to bring us comfort, peace, and hope.

In his gospel, John declares: What has come into being in him was

life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. So, as we begin this new year, may we be guided by the light of Emmanuel (God with us), today and every day. May 2021 bring you and Market Street Church many special blessings! Keiko





Stay Connected with Market Street!

Sunday morning Worship
You can view the service via Facebook Live
(www.facebook.com/marketstreetumc) or
YouTube (www.youtube.com/channel/
UCAKQ2HQcXqdkg1W0gBS5y8w)

Group Email – If you would like to be added to the church's email list, please contact vamarketst@gmail.com
Church main: 540-662-6709 (voicemails checked daily)

Our Staff

Pastor

Rev. Keiko Foster Admin. Assistant

Kathy Freeland

Director of Music

Dr. Steve

Jennings

Church Musician

Robert Lewis

Youth Director

TBA

Custodian

Linda Campbell

Our Leadership

 ${\it Administrative}$

Council Chair

Wilma Jennings

Lay Leader

Donna Dailey

Finance Chair

Roddy Annan

Treasurer

Judy Hagan

Staff Parish

Relations Chair

Toni O'Connor

Trustee Chair

Ed Henshaw

Children's Choir

Director

Linda Hart



Remembering our dear friends...



Sandy Glover

Sandy claimed the promise of resurrection

on December 3.

Condolences may be sent to: Charlie Glover 251 Carters Ln. Stephens City, VA 22655



Also, please remember Anita and Kelly in your prayers.



Susan Peer

Susan went to be with the Lord on December 16.

Condolences may be sent to:

Gary Peer 1605 Pondview Dr. Winchester, VA 22601





Please also remember her daughters, Julie and Laura in your prayers.



Betsy Whitehead

Betsy completed
her earthly
journey on
December 18 in
Woodstock.

Family's addresses are:

Larry Whitehead 9620 Kestral Ridge Drive Charlotte, NC 28269

Kevin Branner 134 Old Forest Cir Winchester 22602

Keith Branner 1607 Charles St. Apt2 Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Market Street Church will serve as WATT's WARMING SHELTER

Our leadership unanimously supported the idea of opening up our Fellowship Hall, so WATTS guests can have a safe and warm space during the day. WATTS staff will be present during the entire hours of operation.

** For now, the shelter will be opened as needed.

Eventually, the shelter will be open (Until March 28):

Monday-Saturday 7am – 4pm Sunday 7am – Noon





Christmas Cantata
Song of Joy
December 20



Robert and guest musician,

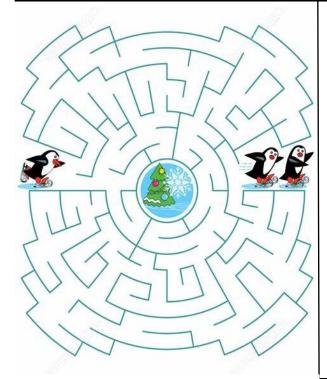
Connor Crotzer



(All God's) CHLDREN'S PAGE!

New Year's Special



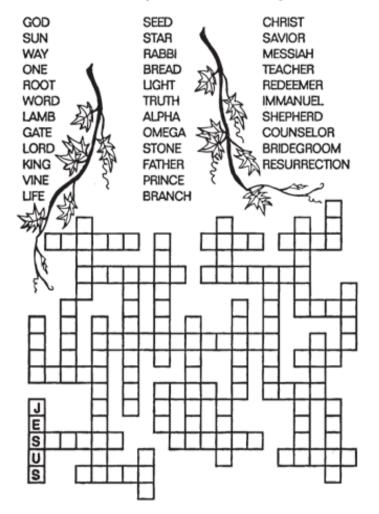






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Balloons Bubbly Confetti Countdown Family Firecrackers Hats Memories Music Parade Streamers Toast Jesus had many names. All the words below were used to refer to Jesus in the Bible. Fit the names into the puzzle. (Hint: Start with the longest names.)



Health



Minute There are a lot of questions out there about the Covid-19 vaccine. I had questions as well. Valley Health does not require us to get the vaccine. It was offered and I decided to get it. After listening to a radio interview with Dr. David Prentice I felt much better about the vaccine. I would encourage everyone to listen to the interview. Here's how. Type in tonyperkins.com. Go to "Archived Shows". Go to 12/23/20, Dr. David Prentice. It's about an hour-long but worth the listen. The research and production of the vaccine were on a fast track, but "no short cuts were made".

New technology made the creation of the vaccine possible in such a short period of time. Instead of using the "whole virus" and injecting a weakened Covid-19 virus into our arm similar to the flu vaccine, scientist used a part of the virus, the "spike protein" and used mRNA to introduce the recipe for that protein to our cells so our cell could use that recipe in order to make the spike protein which then would be recognized by our immune system and would then make antibodies to fight it.

Sorry for the run-on sentence! We've all seen pictures of the nasty coronavirus. It looks like a little ball with spikes on it. The virus uses the spike to attach to our cells and infect them with the virus. It's the recipe for that spike protein that is replicated and transported to our cells and our cell machinery is able to make that spike protein and then we can make antibodies to fight the virus should it try to infect us. No cells were used in the production of the virus. That means no fetal cells from aborted babies or any other cell.

The recipe came from the genome or the genetic makeup of the virus. Instead of using the entire DNA of the virus, only "the face on the wanted poster" was used as Dr. Prentice explained, which is the spike protein. Dr. Prentice feels the vaccine is safe and effective.

Both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines used this mRNA technology. There are always going to be reactions in the population with any vaccine. My reaction to the first shot was a sore arm for one day. Nothing more. Some had a sore arm and a mild headache. Some had stomach upset. All short-lived. If your Dr. clears you for the vaccine, I would encourage you to consider getting it. It's two shots about 3 weeks apart. Both shots are exactly the same. Discuss any reservations with your Dr. Listen to the entire interview with Dr. Prentice, it will help answer most of your questions. He does a much better job explaining the science than I.

Stay safe, stay informed, stay in the WORD Market Street. Happy New Year to you all!!

Jeff Swift is a member of Market Street. He is a physical therapist at Hampshire Hospital.



If anyone has topics that you would like Jeff to discuss, Contact the church office.





John & Pam Castle
616Aquduct Avenue
Martinsburg, We have a new address!



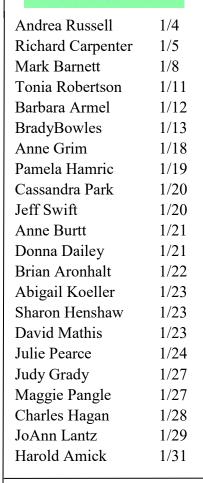
KOH—In need of to go boxes

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR CCAP

Food Pantry --- Shifts will be 9:45am-1:15pm 4 Persons needed Mon, Wed, and Thurs. Phones—shifts 10am-1pm Tues., Thurs, Fri.

Substitute drivers (On Call) 8am-11am Please contact (540) 662-4318 if you can help!

BIRTHDAY





Weekly Prayer Group
Join us Wednesdays at 1:30 pm
Contact the Church Office if
interested in joining...Judy
Hagan, our leader, will contact you.

Let us Pray for On Another...

For the world in the face of COVID-19 Pandemic
All those who are under medical care, recovering, or quarantined
All those who are mourning the death of loved ones
All Children, Families, Schools, Medical and Health Professionals
All who are serving others (First responders, those who provide
necessary services, volunteers, etc.)
All divisions, unrest, injustices

Please Also Pray for Valley Health!
Melanie Lewis, lead chaplain at Valley Health,
is asking for prayers for patients and staff daily at:
7:00 am / noon / 7:00 pm / Midnight

In this way, staff can remember that they are always being prayed for, as they do the important work they do for our patients. Patients would also be told that the community is praying for their recovery.



Prayers for Our friends & family at Market Street:

Adrian O'Connor, Family of Susan Peer, Faye & Julius Armel, Dick Carpenter, Ed Henshaw, Betty Shackleford, Joe Lausier, Mary Grim, Brian Aronhalt, Virginia Saunders, Family of Betsy Whitehead, Larry Whitehead, John Castle, Lee Harris, Ben Mathis, Family of Judy Fogle, Mable Carter, Chris Sweeney II, Janet Moore, Family of David Smallwood, Maxine Korb, Tom Dickinson, Pat Jenck, Brenda Sine, Gloria Ann Trent, Pearl Ebert, Norma Fries, Betty Hess, Family of Sandy Glover, Linda Campbell (sister Debbie cancer), Linda Bynog, Market Street Church, Market Street Commons, United Methodist Church (General Conference in 2021)

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TO:

Sunday School—9:15 am via Zoom Sunday Worship Service In-person or via Facebook Live 10:30 am (or anytime later)

https://www.facebook.com/marketstreetumc/

(You do NOT need to have Facebook account to watch!) Market Street United Methodist Church - YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAKQ2HQcXqdkg1W0gBS5y8w

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Mission Statement of Market Street United Methodist Church:

Our mission is to nurture persons of all ages in their spiritual growth, to reach out with compassion to identify and address the needs of others, to boldly share our faith and invite all to become part of our church family.