

### Office Hours

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*Pastor Liz Lahaie, hours on Tuesdays & Fridays 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.*

## This Week's Schedule

<b>Sunday, 6</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:15 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Wednesday, 9</b>	<b>8:00 PM</b>	<b>AA Meeting</b>

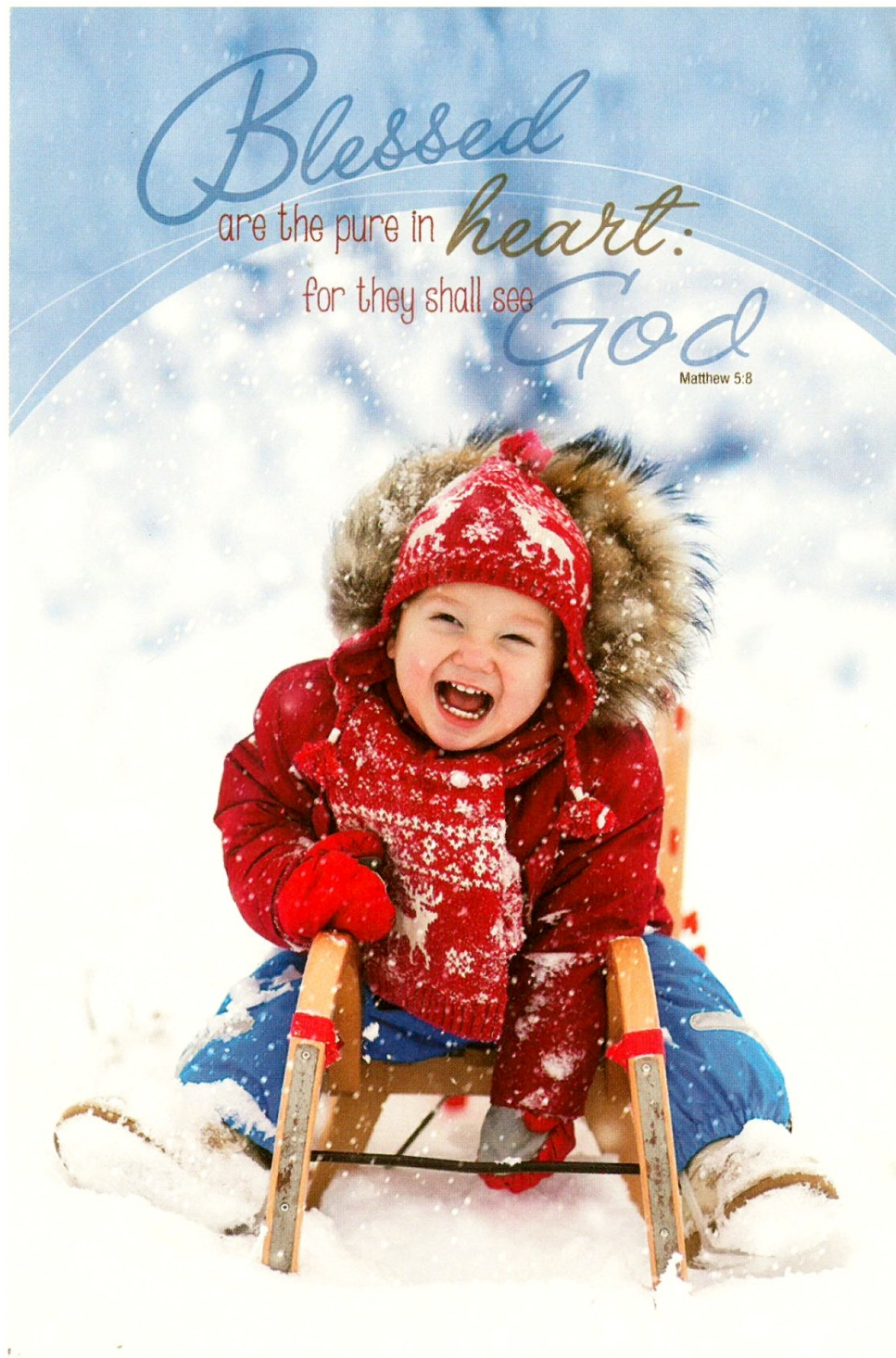
## Upcoming Schedule

<b>Sunday, 13</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>10:15 AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Wednesday, 16</b>	<b>8:00 PM</b>	<b>AA Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday, 17</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Ad Council Meeting</b>
<b>Saturday, 19</b>	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Models Club</b>

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY, WEEK OF DECEMBER 30, 2018**

2018 Non-discretionary Budget:	\$ 62,761.00
2018 Total Budget Offering (through October)	\$ 2,382.45
Weekly giving required to meet this projection:	\$ 1,206.94
December 30 <sup>th</sup> budget offering:	\$ 195.00
On-Line offering for week:	\$ 55.00
Budget giving surplus (deficit) for the week:	\$ (956.94)
<b>December 30<sup>th</sup> Debt Reduction offering:</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
Budget surplus (deficit) after debt reduction:	\$ (956.94)

*We thank you for your continued support in helping us meet our budget and for your ongoing commitment to the work of Jesus Christ through Porter UMC!*



# Porter United Methodist Church

Sunday, January 6, 2019

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## BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF LOVE

**PRELUDE** *Joyce Craig*  
*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (Beethoven) arr. by Richard Ellison*

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** *Judy Reales*  
*Brief Announcements*

**POSITIVE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK (In Unison)** *Judy Reales*  
*"This year, let us dissolve all our hopes into a single hope: to know Christ and be found in Him."*  
*Elisabeth Elliot*

**\*OPENING HYMN** *UMH #234*  
*"O Come, All Ye Faithful"*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *Judy Reales*

L: Lord, this year, we will follow the Star of Bethlehem.

C: Too long we've gone the wrong way, followed the wrong stars!

L: We went South following movie stars, greed, and lust.

C: Star of Wonder...

L: We went East following stars of militarism, nationalism, and war.

C: Star of Light...

L: We even went North following our own visions, our own intuition, and our own way.

C: Star with Royal Beauty Bright...

L: Lord, this year, we will follow the Star of Bethlehem.

C: The Star of Hope. The Star of Peace.

L: The Star of Joy. The Star of Love.

ALL: The Star that is You.

**\*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (In Unison)** *Judy Reales*  
God with us, God revealed in us, God come to us, Emmanuel: long hidden within our heart's barren womb; too often explained away by our mind's idol of reason; and so many moments kept captive in our soul's chains of doubt. Show forth among us, Bread of Life! Be manifest here this day, Cup of Salvation! Great God of

the Epiphany, this day reveal Your salvation to the poor who hunger for Your nourishment, to the seekers who travel across deserts for your drink, to us gathered here, who desire You. Great God of the Epiphany, this day reveal Your salvation through the One who saves us, Jesus Christ, Amen.

followed by "GLORIA PATRI" *UMH #70*

**PASSING THE PEACE:** "Meet & Greet" *All*

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** *Pastor Terry Rhine*

**RESPONSIVE READING** *Judy Reales*  
Psalm 8 *UMH #743*

**RECEIVING JOYS AND CONCERNS** *Pastor Terry Rhine*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**  
*followed by The Lord's Prayer*

**WORSHIP OF GIVING: Tithes, Offerings & Gifts** *All*  
*"Shine, Jesus, Shine" \*\** *Screen*  
*followed by "The Doxology" \*\** *Screen*

**THE EPISTLE** *Judy Reales*  
Ephesians 1:1 - 14

**SERMON: John 1:1 - 5** *Pastor Terry Rhine*  
*"To Whom Do You Pray?"*

**THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION** *Pastor Terry Rhine*  
*"The Great Thanksgiving"* *UMH #15*  
*Communion bread baked by Bob Kremke*  
*Music: Pastoral on Blessed Assurance* *Joyce Craig*

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *UMH #89*  
*"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"*

*- Closing Words & Benediction -*

**CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING** *All*  
*"Grace, Love and Fellowship" \*\**

*\*Indicates STANDING if you are able. \*\* Video Presentation*

# Prayer Requests

## Joys:

Thankful for the gift of Jesus.

## Recent Prayer Requests:

**Judy Reales** - health issues

**Tony Reales** - calmness during Judy's testing

**Chris** (Dollie's husband) - hospitalized

**Fern Duvall** - health

**Giovanti** - 4 year old who has an immune deficiency & is also lacking clotting agents in blood; might need kidney transplant

**Carolyn Coslet**

**Jeanette Burton** - is having vertigo with the rocking again

**JoAnn Burton** (Judy Reales' mom)

**Kim Allmon** - prayers for a good biopsy outcome

**Joyce Miller** - numerous health issues

**Our church.**

**Les Babcock, William Kuhns, Judy Hoffman** - health issues

## Continue Prayers for:

**Brenda Brueckheimer**

**Food Pantry** is in need of monies and prayers.

**Will** (nephew of Jim Frieske) - cancer

**Trisha Olsen** (friend of Brenda B.) - colon cancer

**Keenan Bush** - stationed in Hawaii

**Sharon** (friend of Brenda Brueckheimer) - battling cancer

**Tim Bower** (Brenda B's brother-in-law) - non-Hodgkins

Judy Hoffman's son-in-law **Matthew** - undergoing chemo

## Ministry Partners & Organizations

Frontline Foundations; Duneland Medical Loan Closet; Yost; Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry; Duneland Resale; Westchester Meals; VNA Phoenix Center; RFKC; Boy Scout Troop 928; TrueNorth

# Announcements

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The new flower chart is up on the board in the Narthex. Please stop by the chart to sign up for important dates in 2019.

## **WESTCHESTER NEIGHBORS FOOD PANTRY**

We have entered a New Year and a new month and have been asked to collect **bottles of liquid dish soap** for the month of January.

## **QUARTERLY CHILDREN'S MISSION: STAY TUNED!**

We thank you so much for all your support in contributing to all of our children's missions throughout last year: TrueNorth Training Stables, Christmas with the Cops, Jacob's Ladder, and the VNA Phoenix Center. Stay tuned as it's determined what missions will be supported in 2019.

## **QUARTERLY MISSION: TBD**

Thank you so much for supporting Frontline last quarter. Your generosity provided \$245 towards the purchase of Bibles that are used in their recovery program. Your past contributions also gave to Royal Family Kids Camp, our very own Vacation Bible School, and Yost kids. Once we know what missions we will support in 2019, we will get that information to you.

## **MITTEN TREE ITEMS NEEDED**

We are running out of time to gather winter accessories to fill our sanctuary mitten tree! We are looking for hats, scarves, mittens, children's socks and underwear. This will benefit local families in need from Yost as well as families served by the Westchester Neighbors Food Pantry. As always, we thank you for giving towards families in need throughout the year.

## **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

If you would like to have offering envelopes printed up for 2019's giving, please let Kim know. **She will only make envelopes for those requesting them, as they are done in-house.** Contact her by calling 926-1586 or by emailing porterumchurch@gmail.com. If you're on our email list, you have already been asked, so you can just reply back to that email.