



Welcome to
Newport Presbyterian Church
Welcoming in Spirit; Progressive in Theology
December 27, 2009



If you are visiting today, welcome!

• Please look in the Friendship Folders at the welcome desk in the Narthex for our visitor cards and ribbons. We invite you to wear the blue ribbon so we can get to know you, and to fill out the card and leave it in the offering plate. Please pick up a welcome bag in the narthex.

If you attend regularly

• Please give anyone wearing a blue "Visitor" ribbon your warmest Newport welcome.

Today at Newport

• **FRIENDSHIP COUNTER:** Please stop by today and sign cards for those in our congregation who need a greeting, a prayer, or a boost.

All-Church

• **UPCOMING SERVICES:**

Sunday, January 3: One service at 10:00 a.m. No Sunday School.

• **OFFICE HOURS:** December 28-31 we may be working shorter hours, so call before you come.

Friday, January 1, the office will be closed all day.

Adults

• **LECTIONARY CLASS** will not meet on Tuesday, December 29. We will resume on January 5.

• **ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES** will not be held today or Sunday, January 3.

(Worship is at 10:00 a.m. only.) A reminder that on January 24 we are having our Annual Meeting following worship at 10:00 a.m.; there are no classes for adults or children that day.

• Check the Newport News for information on the Intergenerational Sunday School on January 10 and 17. We will have more information in future announcements.

Save the Date

• Meekhof Lecture with Tony Robinson January 15-17.

• Congregational Meeting January 24.

• Annual Lay Musicians' Benefit Concert at First Congregational Church on Sunday, January 31.

• Creative Arts Show The Celebration of Newport's Creative Talent event will be Sunday evening, February 7. Start creating or selecting now for this festive appetizer supper and art show.

Prayer Concerns and Support Opportunities

• We have an active Prayer Chain. If you have a concern for which you would like prayers, contact Carib Smallman, 206-588-1277, or Judy Schwab, 425-391-4167. To be listed in the printed list of prayer concerns, contact the church office, 425-746-6111.

• **PEACE CANDLE:** The votive candle on the communion table is a prayerful reminder of those in danger in the Middle East, including our military and civilians and the people of Iraq, Afghanistan and other nations.



50th Anniversary Celebration History Tidbits

- 12/24/70—First service of Lessons & Carols
- 12/25/77—Sunday service at 12:00 noon
- 12/31/63—A Watch Night Open House at Meekhof's from 11:15 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. with an Agape Communion Service
- 12/30/89—"A Well Done Roast of a Rare Fellow" brunch held for Dennis Hughes
- 12/29/96—Service cancelled because of snow

Playreaders Meet on New Year's Eve

Join the Newport Playreaders as a new participant, listener or reader on December 31 at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Len and Cindi Rezabek to read "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" and share a midnight meal. Please contact Nancy Ellingham at (425) 746-5205 to let her know you are coming, what food you would like to bring and whether director John Grove can cast you in a part.

Offering Envelopes



Please pick up your Offering Envelopes for 2010 from the table in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call the office.

December 27, 2009—January 3, 2010



- Today, Dec. 27 **First Sunday after Christmas**
10:00am Worship/Baptism Sanctuary
11:00am "Farewell to Sue" Reception Atrium
- Monday, Dec. 28
9:00 am Men's Biking Group
- Tuesday, Dec. 29
No Lectionary Class today
- Wednesday, Dec. 30
- Thursday, Dec. 31 New Year's Eve
9:00am Men's Hiking Group
8:00pm Playreaders Len & Cindi Rezabek's home
- Friday, Jan. 1 New Year's Day—Church Office Closed
- Saturday, Jan. 2
8:00 am Men's Breakfast @ Plum Delicious
- Sunday, Jan. 3 **Second Sunday after Christmas**
10:00am Worship/Communion Sanctuary
11:00 am Hospitality Time Atrium

For information on any church activities, events, or committees, call the office, 425-746-6111, or email us at office@newportpres.org.