

Upcoming Church Events

TODAY	Christmas Day - Worship Service No Sunday school	10:00 am
Jan. 1	Communion Sunday	
Jan. 3	Building on the past...Envisioning the future Task Group Meeting	7:00 pm
Jan. 5	Elders Meeting at Dublin Diner	6:00 am
Jan. 8	Mission Commission Meeting	11:30 am
	Basketball Night	7:30 pm
Jan. 29	Congregational Ministry Meeting (following meal) Snow date: February 12th Includes: Youth Potato Bake Fundraiser Fellowship Meal	11:30 am meal



SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Congregational Ministry Meeting is Sunday, January 29, 2017 following meal.

Sr. High Youth will be providing lunch. Proceeds from the meal will go towards the Senior High Summer Mission Trip!

Leadership Chairs, please submit your report to the church office by email in *Word* format to lstenger@deepuneast.org by **January 9th**.

Are you in your mid-twenties to mid-thirties and not currently involved in a Sunday School class? Starting on **January 8, 2017** there will be a new SS class forming for you! Please come and join us for this informal gathering...bringing thoughts and ideas you may have. We'll meet in my office.

– Ken & Karen Burkholder

Upcoming Holiday Service Times:

Christmas Day, December 25th - 10:00 AM
No Sunday School
New Years Day, January 1st - 10:00 AM
No Sunday School

The **Church Office will be closed** Mondays, December 26th and January 2nd. Office hours will be light during the holidays.

Youth Events

Jan. 4	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	7:00 pm
Jan. 6-8	Reign (Sr. High) Winter Retreat at the Loft RSVP by December 28th	



Spruce Lake Men's Retreat January 12-13, 2017

DRE would like to call all men interested in going together to this Men's retreat. We are hoping to have a group of men from DRE. If you are interested please see Gerry Leatherman. Your Package: 1 night lodging & meals from Thursday dinner through Friday lunch – \$115/person, triple or more; \$135/person, double occupancy. Registration, 4:00-7:30 p.m. / Dinner at 6:30 p.m. / First session at 8:00 p.m. Speaker, Dr. Charles Zimmerman, Worship Leader, Mark Cable. Each person is responsible to register by calling 570-595-7505.



MENTOR YOUNG ADULTS

We are looking for a small team of **people interested in connecting with, mentoring, and helping to guide our young adult ministry** at DRE. If you have interest in connecting with an energetic and fun group of people, please contact pastor Brent for more details. Do you feel called?



We are in need of Greeters!

If you would like to help greet our incoming members and guests at DRE, please contact Lois Wismer in the church office.

MERRY



CHRISTMAS

The DRE Pastors and *Staff* of Deep Run East Church wish you all a wonderful *Christmas* with family and friends!



SNOW CHAIN

The winter season is upon us. In the event of inclement weather, worship service cancellations or delays will be communicated using the telephone chain listed in the back of the phone directory. Information will also be posted on the church website and /or DRE Facebook page if able.



DRE PRESCHOOL

Our **Spanish Enrichment Class** for 4 & 5 year olds returns for a second time, January 18 and runs until April 26. This is 15 weeks for \$150.00.

TOT Time is back for the Winter/Spring time and begins Friday, January 27 through April 21.

As for our **Fall 2017-2018 school year** our preschool 3's class to full! We still have some spots available in the 4's class. If you know anyone that may be interested please have them contact Kristen Yoder at 215-766-2912.



Have you considered professional counseling as a tool in your journey of seeking Christ's healing, hope, and compassion? Just a reminder that **Deep Run East has a Professional Counseling policy** in place to encourage persons to seek, get the help they need, and to minimize the financial stress of professional counseling services. **The congregation pays 1/3 the cost of professional counseling services, and seeks coverage for another 1/3 of the cost from Everence, leaving 1/3 of the cost to be paid by the individual member.** Certain considerations and restrictions apply. If you would like further information, please pick up a sheet in the mailbox foyer area explaining our congregational policy and/or speak with a pastor or an elder.



Spruce Lake Summer Camp

Parents, you can *register your child* online for Wilderness Camp this summer.

Coupon Vouchers are limited and will be first come first serve. If you register by January 1st you get 10 % off camp. Contact Kathy Myers for more information.

Service teams for 2017 are forming:

Prayer Partners needed for those going to San Francisco de Yojoa, Honduras on Jan 15-23, 2017

MAMA team to San Pedro Sula- May 13-20, 2017
see Bob Moyer or Barb Rice

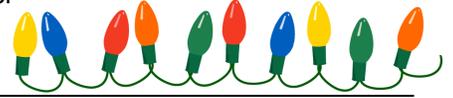
BIRTHDAYS

December

26 Gerry Leatherman
28 Karissa Rice
29 Eileen Radeschi
Lee Crouthamel
Marvin Detweiler
30 David Overholt
31 Evan Gohl

January

1 Sharon Rice
Norman Trauger, Jr.
3 Bradford May
8 Sue Anne Rush



Offering Envelopes



The **2017 offering envelopes** were put in church mailboxes today. If you did not receive a box and want envelopes, please contact Mary Clemens or the church office. If you received envelopes and do not wish to use them, please return them to Mary Clemens's mailbox.

Women's Bible Study

An exciting faith discovery that brings the Bible to Life! **"Fire on the Mountain"** a 6 lesson DVD series on Displaying God to a Broken World. A small fee for books will be collected the first bible study meeting time. **Thursday's February 16th - April 6, 2017 at 9:30 - 11:00 A.M.**



SAVE THE DATE!

Married Couples Night Out

a Dinner for Married Couples

with speakers Steve and Jane Rivera

February 11, 2017 5:30 PM (includes dinner)

Held at Deep Run East Mennonite Church

More information to come soon!



The Family Corner

Why was Jesus born in a stinky stable?

"At the time Jesus was born, the Roman ruler of Palestine (where the Jews lived-Israel's Promised Land) was Herod, a very proud and evil man. Herod had great forts and palaces built so he could feel safe and powerful. But Jesus-the true king and ruler of the universe-came to earth and was born in a stinky stable. Herod's kingdom and power didn't last very long. He's dead, and his buildings are in ruins. But Jesus' kingdom and power last forever. So one reason Jesus was born in such a place was to show us that he and his ways are the opposite of the world and its ways."

From Fun and Active Devotion for Kids