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CONNECTION POINT

Whether you are a first time visitor or a long-time worshiper, we welcome you to participate in the life of CUPC —its activities, studies, missions, fellowship and worship. Please take a moment to write in the Friendship Pad to let us know how we can be of assistance. If you have a pastoral or spiritual concern, please let our pastors know.

ADULT CLASSES

Sunday Mornings 9:45-10:45 AM in the Christian Education Building

Faith & Fellowship Bible Study: Join us in Room #101 as we study God's Word and share in a time of prayer and discussion.

What is a...the...Trinity? Is God one or is He three? Is this taught in the Bible or just someone's idea? We'll explore this topic with the study "The Mystery of The Trinity" by R.C. Sproul. Please join us in Room 103. Study led by Larry Miller.

Wisdom and Traditions: As we look at wisdom and traditions from the Bible, we'll be studying in the Books of Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon, and the Gospel of Matthew. Class is suitable for any level student. Led by Gary Yarbrough in Room # G-02.

Home Grown Parenting Study: As a parent, it's common to have questions about raising a Christian family. In this study, parents share the joys and challenges of raising a child as we explore ways to nurture a fuller faith in your children and yourselves! Led by Rev. Geoff Rach in G-05.

TNT Youth Group: *Staying Salty!!*
Youth Group for 3rd—6th Graders
Thursdays 6:30 —8:00 PM

What does it mean to be "salty" and not "pepper"? We will try some "salty" activities with "salty" surprises!



We will continue to work on our Special Friends gifts. Come and join us in Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM.

During our welcome time in service today, we take a moment to shake hands with our neighbors. If you aren't feeling well today or have been recently ill, please greet those worshipping around you, though we encourage you not to shake hands.

Also, bottles of hand sanitizer are located in the main lobby of the Sanctuary and at the ramp door exit if you may have a need. Thank you for helping us keep families healthy during this holiday season!

Welcome Greg Davis!

We join and welcome special guest, Greg Davis, Executive Director of Pine Springs Camp. Greg shares a moment of thanks and joy for all the CUPC campers and their families!

CUPC Hoagie Fundraiser

Have a new vendor for our hoagie fundraiser this year. We will be using Sammy's Pizzeria located on Noblestown Road in Pittsburgh. Turkey and Italian Hoagies are available. See any Workcamper by Thursday, December 8th.

Annual Advent Potluck Dinner

Sunday, December 11th @ 5:00 PM

There will be a wonderful atmosphere of love and laughter as we come together in anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Fellowship Committee will provide the main course, rolls and beverage. Please bring a very generous Potluck favorite dish to share.

For variety, may we suggest the following:

- A-G Side Dish (Potatoes, Pasta, Veggie)
- H-P Salad, Appetizer, Etc.
- Q-Z Desserts

Please remember to bring your place settings (plates, utensils, cups). Please sign the friendship pad "POTLUCK" with the number of folks attending or contact the church office with this information.

Vesper Service and Concert

Sunday, December 11th @ 6:30 PM

The service brings the atmosphere of an old English Christmas Vesper Service. It combines the use of Bible lessons and music with traditional, modern and Christmas carols for congregational singing.

Lightwave International & Canonsburg U.P. Church Present

4th Annual CHRISTMAS LASER SPECTACULAR!

An All Ages Holiday Music and Laser Light Show!

December 16th & 17th
Showtimes: 6:00 PM & 7:30 PM
Suggested Donation: Adults \$10/Children \$5

Location: Canonsburg U.P. Church

Purchase tickets today in Fellowship Hall or by calling the church office at 724-745-0800.

100% of every ticket dollar helps families in need here in our community.



IRRESISTIBLE INVITATION: ALIVE IN CHRIST!

Here we are at the end of the third week, halfway through *Irresistible Invitation: Responding to the Extravagant Heart of God*. This week, it's important to keep in mind that we're responsible for what we know. If you've been reading that there's more to this Christian walk than you've been experiencing, you can no longer plead ignorance. It's up to you to accept God's irresistible invitation to a new kind of life. Since we worship an extraordinary God, our lives should be anything but ordinary. But it's not all God's doing; we have to partner with him in the work. This week's readings focused on becoming alive in Christ by allowing the Holy Spirit to take up residence in our hearts.

Remember that there's a difference between following Jesus and being *in Christ*. Being in Christ means fulfilling a calling that only you can carry out. It means supernatural guidance, peace, love, forgiveness, joy, and all the other things that we'll miserably fail at if we go it alone. The good news, however, is that God really is right there, ready to offer it all. Once we become aware of the ways that God is always at work around us, we may wonder why it took us so long to notice. So are you finding God's love to be extravagant indeed? Have you given the ho-hum life the boot?



ACS Christmas Luncheon

Monday, December 12 at 11 AM

Join us for a fun white elephant gift exchange and lunch. The fun begins with the gift game at 11 AM.

If you want to have fun with this unique switchero game, bring a wrapped item of under \$5 that starts with an "S" for Santa. Please DO NOT list who the item is from. Let's see how creative you can be!

You do not have to participate in the gift portion to join us for a tasty baked pasta lunch at 12 noon. Please RSVP by December 9th to the church office at 724-745-0800.

Upcoming Events

Sun., Nov. 27th-	<i>1st Sunday in Advent</i>
Mon., Nov. 28th-	<i>Session Meeting 6:30 PM</i>
Sun., Dec. 4th-	<i>Family Promise Guests Hosted at CUPC Through December 10th FINKS Theme Night 5:00-7:30 PM</i>
Mon., Dec. 5th-	<i>Joint Meeting of Session/Deacons 6:30 PM-7:15PM Trustees 7:15 PM Deacons 7:15 PM</i>
Sat., Dec. 10th-	<i>Toy Chest Distribution 11:00 AM—1:00 PM</i>
Sun., Dec. 11th-	<i>Music Appreciation Sunday Advent Dinner 5:00 PM Vesper Service 6:30 PM</i>
Mon., Dec. 12th-	<i>Active Christian Seniors Luncheon 11:00 AM Budget Committee 7:00 PM Prayer Team 7:00 PM</i>
Fri., Dec. 16th-	<i>Christmas Laser Spectacular 6:00 & 7:30 PM</i>
Sat., Dec. 17th-	<i>Food Pantry Distribution 9:00 AM—Noon Christmas Laser Spectacular 6:00 & 7:30 PM</i>

Mark Your Calendars Now

There will be a worship service Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25th) at 10:00 a.m. and Sunday School to be held at 9:00 a.m. We hope you will join us!

Weekly Events

Worship Service	Sunday	8:30 & 11:00 AM
Cherub Choir	Sunday	9:00 AM
Sunday School	Sunday	9:45 AM
Monday Crew	Monday	9:00 AM
Bowser - Small Group	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Men's Breakfast	Wednesday	6:30 AM
Pastor Bible Study	Wednesday	1:30 PM
Bell Choir	Wednesday	6:30 PM
Chancel Choir	Wednesday	7:30 PM
Thursday Night Together	Thursday	6:30 PM
Kearns - Small Group	Friday	7:30 PM

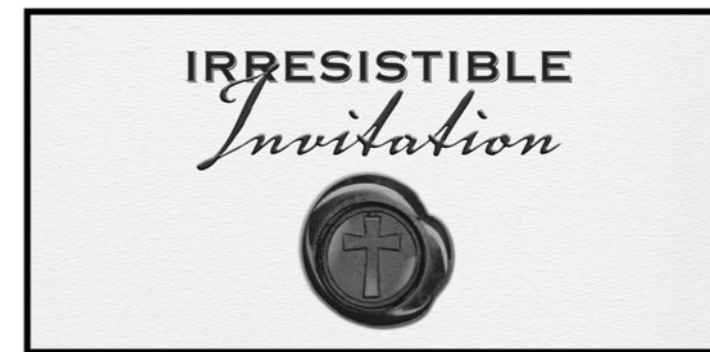
IN NEED OF CHILD CARE THIS MORNING?

8:30 AM	Infants—5 yrs.	2nd Floor Nursery (Room 203)
9:30 AM	Infants—2 yrs	2nd Floor Nursery (Room 203)
11:00 AM	Infants—2 yrs.	2nd Floor Nursery (Room 203)
11:00 AM	Children 2—5 yrs	Main Floor Nursery (Room 102)

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MISSION STATEMENT OF CANONSBURG U. P. CHURCH

TO SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST TO OUR
MEMBERS, OUR COMMUNITY, AND THE WORLD OVER WITH CARE,
COMPASSION AND CHRISTIAN LOVE TO ALL WE MEET.

Please remember to turn cell phones on silent or vibrate during worship service

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