

# TURBOTVILLE NEWS & HAPPENINGS

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## CHURCH NEWS

### **Holy Spirit Lutheran – 10275 Rt. 44**

2 miles west of Turbotville on Route 44

or ¾ of a mile past McEwensville toward Turbotville

570-649-5822

[holyspirit@windstream.net](mailto:holyspirit@windstream.net)

[Worship at 9:15am each Sunday](#)

Thanks to all who have supported our monthly meals and those who came to our Holiday Bazaar! We are thankful for your support! On behalf of the Turbotville Community Thanksgiving Dinner committee, we would like to thank the various organizations and businesses who helped to make this year's dinner a huge success. The committee was made up of members of Paradise UCC, Trinity UCC, Zion Lutheran and Holy Spirit Lutheran churches. Monetary or food donations were received from the four churches as well as the Community Carnival Committee, Turbotville National Bank, Turbotville Hotel, Turbotville Lioness Club, Turbotville Lions Club, Bieber Chiropractic, Weaver's Barber Shop, Great Valu, the Tin Cup and Station House restaurants, and numerous individuals. The Montgomery House Library donated children's books, the Boy Scouts helped with set up and clean up and Girl Scouts helped with decorations. A sincere thank you to the Community Hall Corporation for their assistance, the use of the building and equipment. We served 377 meals and packed 160 take-outs. Thanks to all for another successful dinner.

Holy Spirit will not be serving meals in December 2016 and January 2017. We will start up again on February 11, 2017 with a full course turkey dinner.

On December 11<sup>th</sup> after worship, our Sunday school will put on a Christmas program with a slightly different twist. We will be presenting "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" with a sacred message. It should be fun for all! Join us at 10:30 for this telling of a familiar story with a different ending.

A candlelight Christmas Eve service is planned with special music starting at 8pm. Please join us for Holy Communion as we celebrate the coming of our Lord.

Join us for worship at 9:15 every Sunday.

We wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

### **Trinity United Church of Christ**

7 Church St., Turbotville

Pastor Doug Schader, 570-649-5040

10:30 am Morning Worship

[info@trinityuccturbotville.org](mailto:info@trinityuccturbotville.org)

Greetings from Trinity UCC:

November has been a very busy month for members at Trinity UCC.

Nov. 6th was our monthly Consistory Meeting.

Nov. 8th, the Women's Guild made and sold 94 qts. of Home-Made soup.

Nov. 13th was our yearly budget meeting, election of Consistory Officers and following worship, we had our Women's Guild Meeting.

Nov. 19th, Trinity members joined members from Holy Spirit, Paradise and Zion to host the 8th Annual Free Community Turkey Dinner. This event was held at the Turbotville Community Hall. We were able to serve 377 people and provide 160 takeout meals. The donations that were given toward this event will be sent to Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Turbotville Community Hall and the McEwensville Public Library.

A huge Thank You to the following: Holy Spirit (host church this year), Trinity UCC, Zion Lutheran Church, Paradise Church, the Turbotville Community Hall for donating the space for the dinner, Turbotville National Bank, Turbotville Lions Club, Turbotville Carnival Community, Turbotville Lioness Club, Montgomery Station House Restaurant, Tin Cup Restaurant, McEwensville Community Public Library, Bieber Chiropractic, Weaver's Barber Shop, Turbotville Hotel, Great Valu and to the many other organizations and the public for their monetary donations.

Nov. 20th, members of the Women's Guild held their Thankoffering Program, with guest speaker Miss Amanda Schader.

We have set up our Mitten/Scarf Tree set up for donations to be given to the children at Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

Nov. 23th, Thanksgiving Eve Service was held at Trinity UCC.

Nov. 26th, we decorated our sanctuary for the upcoming Advent Season.

Dec. 4th, we will hold our monthly Consistory Meeting.

Dec. 11th, members will enjoy a meal and games for the members Christmas Party.

Dec. 18th, the Women's Guild will be filling Christmas Bags for the children at Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

Members from Trinity UCC wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Feel free to join us for Church Services at 10:30 am. Come and hear the message given by Pastor Doug Schader. All Are Welcome!

Trinity is handicap accessible.

GOD BLESS! HEAL THE PAST; LIVE THE PRESENT; DREAM THE FUTURE.....

### **Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**

39 Paradise St., Turbotville

Pastor Erwin Roux

Worship 8:00am & 10:30am

Sunday school 9:15am

SATURDAY worship at 6:00 p.m.

Advent is a joyous and busy season at Zion with Christmas preparations well underway.

Our Mission Mall for alternative gift-giving is back once again and will be open on December 7, 14, and 21 after both church services.

Think about giving a gift from the heart.

This year's charitable organizations include Montgomery House Library, Haven Ministry, Camp Mt. Luther, Ronald McDonald House, American Cancer Society, and ELCA World Hunger. You can also help those who have been affected by natural disasters by donating to the American Red Cross. Each purchase comes with a lovely printed card to give the receiver. Anyone interested in buying a meaningful gift for those hard-to-buy parents or friends should stop at the church on Sunday, December 4th, 11th, or 18th after either worship service or stop at the church office to do their shopping.

Christmas is the season of Giving: On Sunday, December 4th, the Senior Youth Group (grades 9-12) will leave the church at 1:00 p.m. to shop for local children in need. The group will return to the church to wrap the presents and enjoy some pizza with the Middle School Youth Group (grades 5-8) who will meet at 3:00 p.m. to make cookies for the Sunday School Christmas program.

For those who want their Sunday mornings free or who have other obligations, remember that Zion provides an alternative opportunity to worship at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday evenings.

The Jolly Bunch will meet Wednesday, December 14th at 10:30 for entertainment by Carl and Opal Schleppey. The meal will be catered by the Station House and will include ham, chicken parmesan, scalloped potatoes, baked corn, lettuce with bacon dressing, rolls, and two kinds of cake. The cost is \$12 and reservations are needed by December 4.

Christmas Eve worship services will be held at 7 and 11 p.m. and will be traditional services of carols, candlelight, and Holy Communion. Worship on Christmas morning will be at 9:00 a.m. All are welcome.

Looking ahead: Zion invites community members to join them in "bowling in the New Year" from 6 to 9 on Thursday, December 31 at Imperial Lanes in Milton. Cost will be approximately \$15 per person.

Zion's Youth groups will go snow tubing at Ski Sawmill on Sunday, February 5th and will gather at the church at noon. Cost is \$6.00 per hour and the group usually stays for about 3 hours.

The members of Zion hope that all of you have a wonderful Christmas, and send you our best wishes for a healthy, peaceful New Year.

### **COMMUNITY HALL EVENTS**

Fri. Dec. 2nd Dept of Health Clinic 9:00 a.m.

Sun. Dec. 4th New Life Worship Center 9-12:00 p.m. Sun. Dec. 4th Community Christmas Party 2-4:00 p.m.

Mon. Dec. 5th Borough Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Wed. Dec. 7th Dagwood orders due Marie Smith 649-5381 or Bud Bieber 649-5537

Thur. Dec 8th Lioness Club Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Sun. Dec. 11th New Life Worship Center 9-12:00 pm

Mon. Dec. 12th Blood Drive 1-6:00 p.m.

Tues. Dec. 13th Turbotville Heritage Society 7:00 pm

Tues. Dec.13th Norm's Farm Store-Pesticide Point meeting 8:00 a.m-1:30 p.m.

Tues. Dec. 13th TCHC meeting 7:00  
Wed. Dec. 14th Lions Club Meeting 6:30 p.m.  
Thurs. Dec. 15th Dagwoods Sales pick-up 6-9:00 a.m.  
Sat. Dec. 17th Lions Club (Wrap Presents) 9:00 a.m.  
Sun. Dec. 18th New Life Worship Center 9-12:00 p.m.  
Mon. Dec. 19th Borough Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Wed. & Thurs. Dec. 22 & 23 Lions Club wrap presents  
Sat. Dec. 24th Lions Club-- Deliver presents  
Sun. Dec. 25th CHRISTMAS DAY  
Sat Dec. 31st McNett Country Band NEW YEARS Round & Square Dance Check for time  
Contact Margaret Blakeney 570-649-5220 for rental

### **MONTGOMERY HOUSE LIBRARY**

20 Church St., McEwensville

**570-538-1381**

Pizza with Santa, Saturday, December 3, 11am-1pm

Santa visits free. Lunch ticket & photo \$3.

Legos with Dan, Saturday, Dec 17, 2pm

0-K Read & Play - Christmas Crafts with JA, Fri, Dec 2, 11am

0-K Read & Play - Christmas Caroling Party, Fri, Dec 9, 11am

0-K Read & Play - Smitty's Smarties with Linda Smith, Fri, Dec 16, 11am

No Classes Fridays, Dec 23 & Dec 30 due to holidays

Quilting, Thursdays, 6:30pm - no class on 12/29

No Knitting Circle this month, as we're closed

Gadget Help, Saturdays, 12p-2p

All Month Long - Christmas Carol Tweets and Rants - sound off or hum along and enter our drawing for seasonal prizes

All Month Long - Give a Meal - Food for Fines - We're collecting non-perishable food items for Neighbors Helping Neighbors. 1 food item = \$1 forgiveness up to \$5 per customer, as long as library items are returned.

Stop in and see all our accomplishments from 2016, including super-sized baby and preschool classes on Tuesdays and our new kid's iPad work station.

### **TURBOTVILLE BOROUGH HERITAGE SOCIETY**

Pres. Michael Sechler 570-649-5289

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Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 13th at 7:00 pm in the Community Hall.

It has been almost 7 years since we started the Turbotville Train Station Project, and we are finally seeing the light at the end of the tunnel, and this time it's not an oncoming train! With the installation of the new sidewalk leading up to the handicap ramp, we had our final inspection for the train station and received our occupancy permit. I would like to personally thank ALL the volunteers who helped with the train station as well as all the local businesses that assisted in some small or large way to help us achieve our goal of completing the train station.

Throughout the holiday season, we are still continuing our fundraising efforts including flyswatters and yardsticks for \$2, t-shirts size small through 3x (large is SOLD OUT) for \$10, "Turbotville 1850-2009" history book for \$35 (hardcover only), 1st & 2nd edition Turbotville afghans for \$35, limited edition Raymond Weaver signed/numbered train station prints for \$100. We are also selling items in conjunction with other organizations in which a portion of each sale goes to the train station. Turbotville National Bank wooden replica blocks for \$9, "Milton Car Works" book by Homer Folk for \$20, Robert Swope, Jr. book series including "Turbotville and Lewis Township", "Watsontown, McEwensville, and Delaware Township", "Washingtonville and Anthony, Limestone, and Derry Townships" for \$20 (softcover) & \$30 (hardcover), and "Indian Artifacts of the South and East: An Identification Guide" for \$14 (softcover only). These would make a great Christmas gift!!!!!!

If anyone is interested in purchasing any of the items listed, please contact me on here or through our website at [www.turbotville.org](http://www.turbotville.org). Also, we are selling RADA Cutlery, stoneware, cookbooks, soup/dip mixes, and more. You can check out their website at [www.radacutlery.com](http://www.radacutlery.com), find which items you like, then contact me with your order. We will be submitting orders each month as long as we have enough items on order to send in.

## **TURBOTVILLE LIONS CLUB**

We have a few pints of our famous Apple Butter left if you would like to have some to hold you over till next year--\$3.50 per pint or 3/\$10.00(see any member). We will be shopping for children less fortunate in December and putting together food baskets for families in need--what a great project! Look for details soon about our annual Basket Bingo. The Lions would like to wish you a Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Hunting Season and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## **TURBOTVILLE AREA CARNIVAL MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

Turbotville Carnival Committee is having a Christmas Party, which is open to the public on Sunday, December 4, 2016, from 2 pm to 4 pm.

Location is the Turbotville Community Hall (across from the school) at the corner of Pine & Church St.

Kingdom Kidz, Inc. will be doing a Christmas Program at this event at 2:15, and Santa will be coming right after this at 3:00pm. Refreshments will be served and are being donated by Turbotville National Bank and Trinity United Church of Christ.

## **OIP**

570-649-6168

December Special:

1 Large Pizza and 1 topping, 1 garlic knots with sauce order, 1 mozzarella stick order all for \$19.99 and tax.

Be sure to stop in and take a chance in our raffle for a 40" Flat screen tv. \$1.00 per ticket! Drawing will be on January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We will be open on Christmas Eve – 24<sup>th</sup> with our regular hours and Closed Christmas Day (25<sup>th</sup>). We will also be open New Year's Eve with regular hours and Closed New Year's Day. All of us here at OIP wish each and every one of you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEARS!!

## **TURBOTVILLE NATIONAL BANK**

The Turbotville National Bank in cooperation with Neighbors Helping Neighbors will be sponsoring a "Nonperishable Food Bank" for the month of November. Drop off containers will be placed in the bank's lobby for collection. Some of the items most needed are: canned sweet potatoes, cereals and any other canned food product.

# **LEAF PICK UP**

Borough workers will be picking up BAGGED leaves (only) until December 16<sup>th</sup> as long as weather allows. Please place your tied bags along the front curb.

## **NEW BOROUGH OFFICE LOCATION 267 Broadway St.**

## **BOROUGH WATER CUSTOMERS**

The Council is asking our water consumers to voluntarily conserve on their water usage. We have been informed that there has been a drop in the water table that supplies our water. – Thank you!

# Merry Christmas



We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Years!

From Borough Council Members: Pat Betz, Nathan Yoder, Bob Lynn, Bj Figels, Harold Bender, Mike Harrison, Christina Mensch, Lester Miller and our employees: Diane Miller, Luke Moore, Jeremy LeBarron,