

NOVEMBER 26, 2017

THIS WEEK AT CASTLETON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## Looking Ahead

#### Next Sunday:

December 3, 2017  
*God is in the Manger*  
 Pastor William Nickrand

December 1 & 2 - Live Nativity  
 December 2 - Christmas Choir Rehearsal

December 3 - 1st Sunday of Advent

December 3 - Choir Performance

December 3 - Book Study Begins

December 3 - PHAO Family Christmas Dinner

December 7 - Variety Bunch Holiday Program

December 8/9 - Bell Ringing

December 9/10 - MAD Christmas

December 10 - Dec. Communion Sunday

Program 4pm

December 10 - Pick-A-Star due

December 24 - Christmas Eve

9am - Traditional Worship

11am - Contemporary Worship

4pm - Family Service

6pm - Contemporary Candlelight

8pm - Traditional Candlelight

9:30pm - Traditional Candlelight Communion

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## Welcome Back!

We welcome Rev. Lisa Schubert Nowling from College Avenue UMC in Muncie, IN. She will be sharing today's message - *All I Ever Needed to Know About Church*. Lisa grew up at Castleton UMC and is the daughter of Tom and Mary Ann Schubert.

## Pick-A-Star

Castleton UMC is once again partnering with Barnes UMC and Crestview Middle School to support families who are struggling financially and lack the means to provide Christmas for their families. You may select a "star" or "snowflake" off of the Pick-A-Star tree that will reside in the Legacy room. After purchasing the gift specified on the star, the gift should be wrapped and returned to the Legacy Room or church office no later than Sunday, December 10. This is also a great time to take advantage of the gift wrapping service that Still Waters Adult Day Center offers. Please join us in brightening Christmas for others! (Also note that CUMNS will NOT be selling Scrip gift cards this year.)

## Advent Devotional Readings

Readings in our Advent daily devotional entitled "God Is In the Manger," begin this week! That is, if you want to follow along with this book and stay current with each day's reading, then you will need to begin reading tomorrow, November 27th. Books are available for \$10 at the Welcome Center or in the Church office. This book written by German Pastor and theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer and is the source of our Advent Preaching series which begins next Sunday.

## Decorating For Advent

Join Merry Crews and help decorate our sanctuary for the Advent season. Wednesday, November 29 at 10am. Feel free to come and go as your schedule allows. All help is appreciated! Contact Merry at 317-459-0866 with questions.

## Christmas Music Sunday

Every year we enjoy a Sunday of Christmas music performed by the music department which features our Christmas Choir. We invite you to come enjoy this unique worship experience on Sunday, December 3 at either the 9 or 11am services.

## Variety Bunch Holiday Show

You are invited to join with our Variety Bunch Group for a holiday show featuring the Wrapsody Quartet. Meet in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, December 6 at 10am.

## Starry Night, Noisy Night

Music, Art and Drama will present a Christmas Play and Program on Saturday, December 9 and Sunday, December 10 at 4pm in the Sanctuary. We encourage the entire congregation to come out in support of our talented K-6th graders as they remind us to not let the "busyness" of the season distract us from experiencing the true meaning of Christmas!

## IHN/Family Promise

Castleton is hosting homeless families over the Christmas holiday - December 24-30. If you can take time during your busy schedule to help out we have many opportunities for you to give the gift of hospitality this season! Visit the table in the lobby today and learn more.



## Live Nativity Needs You

Please sign up to participate in our Live Nativity! We need your help as there are many roles yet to be filled including traffic, kitchen help and cast. If you are unable to be outside, come work hospitality or make cookies. Please stop by the tables in the church lobby today! You can also contact Sara Ellsworth, [saraells@hotmail.com](mailto:saraells@hotmail.com) with any questions you might have or to sign up with her. Thank you for serving your community by sharing your time and talents helping tell the story of Jesus!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Facebook.com/CastletonUMCKids

**0 – 3 yrs, RM 122**  
Nursery Care all Services

**9am Kid's Church**  
PK-1st (start in service)  
**10am SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
PK - RM 190  
K-4th Fellowship Hall  
**11am Kid's Church**  
PK - 1st (start in service)

**Katie Gilbert**  
Dir. of Children's Ministries  
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**NOVEMBER CONNECTIONS** This month, our Toddlers and Preschoolers are learning "I can thank God for everything" with memory verse Psalm 111:1. Elementary kids are learning about Gratitude with memory verse 1 Thess 5:18.

**ADVENT DEVOTIONS** Katie is sharing family resources for Advent in our Castleton Kids newsletter this month so you can be ready when it starts next week. If you don't already receive this email newsletter, email Katie to be added.

**CHRISTMAS MUSICAL** Mark your calendar for the Music, Art, and Drama Christmas Musical, "Starry Night, Noisy Night," on December 9th at 4pm and December 10th at 4pm in the Sanctuary. We are excited to share this show with you!

## PHAO STUDENT MINISTRIES

Facebook.com/PhaoStuMin

**5-12 GRADE**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
10am Ministries Center

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**P58 (5TH-8TH GRADE)** Our 5th-8th grade programming is Sunday morning at 10am in the Overtime with Phil and Susy Komenda-Myers.

**P912 (9TH-12TH GRADE)** Our 9th-12th grade students meet today in the Overtime at 10am.

**PHAO FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER** All PHAO students and their families are encouraged to attend our annual PHAO Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 3 from 6-8pm in the Family Life Center. \$10 and under white elephant or new gift exchange. If you can bring a side, contact Amy Hogan, [amy@stillwatersadc.org](mailto:amy@stillwatersadc.org).

**P58 CHRISTMAS AT THE ZOO** All 5th-8th Graders are invited to join us for Christmas at the Zoo on December 8. Please register at [castletonumc.org/zoo](http://castletonumc.org/zoo) and indicate if you are willing to drive students and how many seats you have in your vehicle.

## CHURCH WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, November 26

8:30am Sunday Morning Prayer – Library  
9:00am Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary  
10:00am **Sunday Connections Hour**  
Awe/Seekers Adult Class, Legacy Room  
Bible Discovery Class, Library  
Christian Crusaders Adult Bible Class, Room 112  
Koionia, Room 110  
Parent Connect Group, Room 160B off Fellowship Hall  
Pastors Class, Family Life Center  
Children's Ministries, Fellowship Hall, Room 174, 176, 179, 181, 190  
P58, OverTime, Ministries Center  
11:00am Contemporary Worship Service, Sanctuary  
11:00am Bible Discovery Class, Library

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Feel free to join  
a class!

If you have questions  
about any of our  
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### Our Faithfulness

November 19, 2017  
Worship: 553

Sunday School: 162  
(youth not included in SS)

### Tithes and Offering

Received: \$34,243.02  
Goal: \$33,800.00  
YTD: \$1,422,644.86  
YTD Goal: \$1,588,600.00

### Monday, November 27

6:15pm P58 Girls, Overtime  
6:30pm Boy Scout Troop 276, Fellowship Hall  
6:30pm First Place 4 Health, Room 1305

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### Tuesday, November 28

7:00am Café Connect, Sunday Sermon Recap, Panera's 96th Street  
6:00pm CUMNS Kids PTO Meeting, Legacy Room  
6:30pm Cub Scout Pack 520, Fellowship Hall  
7:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting, Room 112, 110, Legacy, Library

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### Wednesday, November 29

7:30am Sisters in Faith, MC Conference Room  
9:00pm Still Waters Caregivers Group, Library  
10:15am Variety Bunch, MC Overtime, Randy Ollis - WISH TV Meteorologist  
6:15pm Phao P58 Boys, Overtime

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### Thursday, November 30

6:00pm Vintage People Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
6:00pm Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bell Choir Room  
6:30pm LIFE Group - Dotsie Longworth, Legacy Room  
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room  
7:30pm Contemporary Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary

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### Friday, December 1

6:00pm Live Nativity Setup, Whole Campus  
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### Saturday, December 2

7:30am Live Nativity Setup, Whole Campus  
9:30am Men's Bible Study, MC P58 Room  
6:00pm Choir Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Program, Sanctuary  
Live Nativity, Whole Campus

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