

Pinelands United Methodist Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

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Prelude

❖ Hymn #237 "Sing We Now of Christmas"

Time of Greeting and Announcements

❖ Call to Worship

LEADER: Arise, shine! Your light has come!

PEOPLE: Glory to God in the highest.

LEADER: Darkness covers the earth,

PEOPLE: but God's glory shines brightly.

LEADER: Lift up your eyes. Look around.

PEOPLE: The light of God's love shines radiantly.

LEADER: Arise, shine! Your light has come!

PEOPLE: Our hearts thrill and rejoice!

Opening Prayer

God of light and love, shine upon our lives, as we welcome the mystery of your love. Guide us toward your true gift, for our hearts long to encounter with the holy. Quiet our expectations, that we might be surprised by the unexpected. Open our eyes, that we might find you in unanticipated places. Shine your light upon us, that we might see you clearly, and recognize your face in all people. Amen.



1st Scripture Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

2nd Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:1-12

❖ Gospel Reading Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon

Joys and Prayers of the People of God

Holy Communion

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The Lord's Prayer #895

❖ Benediction

❖ Hymn #254 "We Three Kings"



God bless you and not let you out of his sight.

God keep and protect you both day and night.

Let love, understanding be yours evermore.

God's love be with you forever more.





THIS WEEK:

Sunday: Worship @ Batsto - 9:00 am - NO LIVE SRV
: Sunday School @ Batsto - 9:00 am
: Worship @ Green Bank - 10:30 am
: Bible Study @ Batsto - Noon
Tuesday: Women's Group Meets - Nesco - 11am



AT A GLANCE:

February 5 - Pancake Breakfast - Nesco - TBA



CHURCH NEWS

Reminder: Pinelands UMC must follow CDC guidelines in regards to Covid-19. We will follow new guidance as it is received.

UMW MEETING - JANUARY 4th

The UMW will meet on Tuesday, January 4th, at 11:00 am. All are welcome to attend. This important meeting will discuss the return of our famous pancake breakfast. Please try to attend.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST RETURNS - FEBRUARY 5th



On Saturday, February 5th, we will be celebrating the return of our famous pancake breakfast. Stay tuned in the coming weeks for more information about our breakfast and how YOU can help.



PRAYER REQUESTS

**Pastor Dave Carber
Frances Erwood
Barbara Kurowski
Mike Lister
Wilma Brown
Linda Hirst
Walter Wood
Margie Cochran
Duffy Colton
Barbara Pirtle
Sean Plasket
Bonnie Hakes
Jen Allebach
Kathy Simpkins
McCartney Family
Leah Cirillo & Family
Marge Clifton
Meryl Evangelisti
Barbara Ford
The Family of Glenn Ford
Chris Green
Our President & Military**

Have you ever tried coloring as a way to reduce stress?
TRY IT! IT WORKS!

WINTER SNOWMAN

