



GLADE TIDINGS

GLADE UNITED CHURCH OF
CHRIST

"Never place a period
where God has placed
a comma." Grace Allen



God is still speaking,



*Our Lives Together for
December 2020 & January 2021*



**Glade United Church of Christ
is hosting our annual
Holiday Concert**

“Hark! How the Bells”!

**Featuring our very own
Bill Powell, Lisa Jordre and
The Glade Tower Hand Bell Choir**

**Wednesday, December 15, 2021
7:00 p.m.**



Reservations are Required

There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the
sanctuary or you may call or email the office at:

301-845-6775 or secretary@gladchurch.org

Masks optional but will be required when singing



Jesus called a child, whom he put among the disciples, and said, “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me”.

- Matthew 18:2-5

“We are better throughout the year for having, in spirit, become a child again at Christmastime”.

- Laura Ingalls Wilder

The seasons of Advent and Christmas are a time of wonder and expectation. These verses from the gospel of Matthew remind us that to enter the kingdom of heaven we must first let go of anything that gets in the way of our childlike faith – our pride, our unmet expectations, our hurts, our anger, our fears. In these weeks leading up to Christmas, and beyond, may we be freed from anything that prevents us from becoming children again in spirit.

This year we will be able to sing again in worship on Christmas Eve. This year we will be able to celebrate the holidays with loved ones. This year may we experience anew the anticipation of lighting each candle of the Advent wreath, counting down the days until Christmas. May we experience the beauty of candlelight hymns and the expectant pause as the world waits once again for Christ to enter our lives.

May we be better throughout the coming year for having become children again.

Wishing you a sense of childlike wonder this season,

Pastor Amy



General Fund Financial Report

September 30, 2021

Beginning Balance:	\$30,864.58
Total Income:	\$10,871.01
Total Expenses:	\$14,721.85
Ending Balance:	\$27,013.74

October 31, 2021

Beginning Balance:	\$27,013.74
Total Income:	\$23,446.50
Total Expenses:	\$14,466.25
Ending Balance:	\$35,993.99

2021 Calendar Year Giving's

Please note, in accordance with the IRS regulations, all offering, donations and other monetary giving's must be in the office or postmarked December 31st in order to be included in the tax year 2021.

**** NOTICE ****

**There will be a congregational meeting on
Sunday December 19, 2021**

The meeting will be held for the congregation to approve our 2022 budget and to vote on changing our by-laws from 9 Consistory members to 7, and to change the quorum for a meeting from 50% to 2/3rd's.

Consistory Report

Minutes of Glade UCC Consistory Meeting Thursday, September 16, 2021—Via Zoom

Consistory Activities— The meeting was held via Zoom. Danny Ogg chaired the meeting and Nancy Sweet gave the devotional. The minutes from the August, meeting were reviewed and approved.

New Business—Tammie asked if she could continue with having Friday's off. No one had an issue with the request. Covid protocols are still working good, we are continuing to wear masks as we sing. The website is making progress and we hope to have it up and running in December. The Homeschool Co-op is going well they are here each Monday & Wednesday. Isure our custodian found two scratches on doors, the school will be talking with their children about this. We are going to ask the school about helping with the Church suppers. There will be an Association wide 40 days of prayer during the months of October & November

Pastor's Report— Pastor Amy reported the mission trip went well. Hopefully, next year more people will be able go. Next year's trip is to Tennessee. Visits to nursing homes have been difficult, she is continuing with phone calls and cards. Communion will be back to normal on October 3rd, which is World Communion Sunday.

Treasurer's Report— The financial reports were reviewed.

Church & Ministry Committee—There was no report.

Finance & Stewardship—There will be a meeting via Zoom in the next couple of weeks.

Property— The tenants grandson completed his 30 hours, of community service he did landscaping and power washing around the building.

Worship & Fellowship Committee—The church picnic is this coming Sunday, September 19th. We will go back to communion servers on October 3rd, we will do communion by intinction. Whomever is available from consistory will help with communion.

Christian Education—We will look at bringing the HS students back to SS in November.

Mission & Social Action—There was no report.

Marketing—The website is going well, hoping for a December launch.

Guild—We will have our normal buffet style dinners on November 5th & 6th.

Consistory Continued

Minutes of Glade UCC Consistory Meeting Thursday, October 21 2021—Via Zoom

Consistory Activities— The meeting was held via Zoom. Danny Ogg chaired the meeting and Pastor Amy offered the devotional titled “Whisper A Prayer” from the UCC Daily Prayer. The minutes from the September 16th meeting were reviewed and approved.

New Business—The current COVID protocols were discussed and everything seems to still be working. We continue to wear masks when singing. The website is getting close to being finished, we are still shooting for a mid to late December launch. The church dinners are coming up on November 5th & 6th.

Pastor’s Report— Pastor Amy attended the virtual CAC Annual Meeting via zoom last week as well as Ministerium.

Treasurer’s Report— The financial reports were reviewed.

Church & Ministry Committee—There was no report.

Finance & Stewardship—The 2022 Stewardship campaign is getting ready to begin in November. A letter with pledge cards will be mailed out soon.

Property— The scratches on the bathroom door have been oiled and can barely be seen, Danny is going to look at the scratches on LDM’s door. Otherwise, all is well with the Home School Co-op.

Worship & Fellowship Committee—Talked about having ushers for the offering, we will begin this when the choir is back to singing.

Christian Education—There was no report

Mission & Social Action—Soup Kitchen is November 21st.



Finance & Stewardship

“Rooted in Love”

2022 Stewardship Campaign



The formal part of the 2022 stewardship campaign is over – it seemed to go quickly and was relatively painless. We do not have a summary of results of the campaign yet but wanted to take this opportunity to get a “thank you” note into the December newsletter and we are still accepting pledge cards.

This year’s theme was based on Psalms 1:3a, which says “They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season...” which is intended to remind us that if we soak up “God’s word (like the trees next to the stream) we can produce actions and attitudes that honor God. As we have learned from past campaigns, stewardship is an expression of love for God and love for others. Stewardship of time, talent, money, and other resources is a practical way to express love for God and love for others.

Here’s a quote from Arthur Ashe that is appropriate for our stewardship purpose: “Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.” What if we give that approach a try in 2022? Whether with our time, talent, or finances, let’s start with that idea and see what we can accomplish in the next year.

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank everyone who has participated in the life of the church this past year, and we look forward to your participation next year, too! If you want to participate in a church activity, please contact whichever committee or group coordinates that activity – or just show up and jump in.

If you have any questions for the Stewardship Committee, please talk to Adriane Wodey, Connie Rough, Brooks Widder or Shannon Jordre.



Glade Guild

Fall Dinners & Bazaar

I want to express our Heartfelt Thanks to you! Many supported these dinners by coming to help at the Walkersville Fire Hall. Some prayed, others gave monetary support, and some brought requested items such as sugar for the pepper slaw. Some sewed, patted oysters, worked the buffet, baked, cooked food, cleaned floors, washed dishes, or crafted, and many of you shared other talents. We are grateful for each of you! Many tasks were accomplished for a successful bazaar and dinner!

We sent around 419 flyers by bulk mail to our mailing list, while another 100 were notified by e-mail. Ads were also placed in the Frederick newspaper.

On Friday night, we served 439 dinners, and on Saturday 438 dinners were served. 877 dinners were served total, 124 of which were carry outs. We used 100 gallons of oysters, at a cost of \$70.00 a gallon. Tip jars on the tables netted \$288., the craft table had a profit of \$1,146, and the bake table's profit was \$743. Although a few expenses have not been received, we netted approximately \$12,000 on our fall dinners.

We are grateful for the use of the beautiful Walkersville Fire Hall, the fire company members who helped us, local youth from various organizations, and other volunteers from the community.

Thanks for your support!

With gratitude,
Cathy Widder,
Pres., Glade Guild



Glade Guild continued

The Future of our Church Dinners

Our recent Fall Church Dinner was very successful. Thanks to all of those who participated in making it such a success.

The dinner proved a lot of people love our dinners. We would like to keep this tradition going forward but we NEED your help to do so. The dinners take a lot of work and preparation. It's not just the 2 days of the actual dinner, the preparation, ordering and clean up are all large parts of the dinner. If not for the help of non-church members it would have been very difficult to had made this dinner such a success.

In order to continue with our dinners, we need to make some decisions and we need your input.

We are in need of the following help:

- A Co-Chair to help organize and manage the dinners
- More help in setting up on Thursday night
- A clean up crew

We also need your comments on:

- The continuation of having the dinners,
- if so, Spring or Fall or Both
- Other fundraiser ideas

Please provide your thoughts, suggestions, and if you are willing to help with future dinners to Cathy Widder at cjwidder@gmail.com by **December 15th**, as a decision about the possibility of holding a Spring 2022 dinner must be made by **January 1, 2022**.



Walkersville Christkindlmarket Activities

**December 4, 2021
10 AM—3 PM**



Glade UCC will host artisans, crafters, photos with Santa, food and baked goods will also be available for purchase.

A festive parade will escort Santa and his merry elves to town to greet visitors.

Parade Begins at 10 AM

Main street,
W. Frederick Street
Fulton Ave
Pennsylvania Ave

Santa will be available in the Sanctuary for pictures from 11 AM—3 PM with your camera. Monetary donations to the Glade Valley Food Bank are welcomed but not required.

Live wreaths & centerpieces will be available for purchase
Wreaths - \$25 & centerpieces - \$20



Second Mile Giving

DECEMBER

The Religious Coalition for Emergency Needs is a Frederick County non-profit that has been providing residents of Frederick County with emergency financial assistance for over 30 years. The Religious Coalition is the primary provider of emergency services on the basis of human needs, such as shelter, food, medical & dental calls, as well as prescription medications. Coalition networking programs also assist our neighbors in need to avoid eviction, prevent utility cutoffs, as well as funding the eight food banks. The Coalition also manages the Alan P. Linton, Jr. Emergency Shelter, which is the largest and only year-round shelter for the homeless in Frederick.



JANUARY



Second Mile Giving for January supports Church World Service's Blanket Program. Every \$10 you give provides a wool or cotton blanket distributed by CWS to needy people around the world. Due to the continuing major needs in the disaster stricken areas, blankets are needed more than ever. Let's seek to exceed our numbers from previous years by sending even more blankets to the CWS! Our gifts to Second Mile Giving in January will make a difference in Iraq, Afghanistan, and South Asia, and other trouble spots around the world. Please indicate on the memo line of the check "Blanket."

Food Bank

Let's help our neighbors chase away the chill of winter with donations of coffee, low-fat/low-sugar instant creamers, hot chocolate, tea bags, canned soups, and oatmeal. The food bank is also distributing personal care items and would appreciate donations of toothpaste & shampoo.



All non-perishable food items are welcome. Clean plastic grocery bags are always needed. As well as food donations, cash donations are also accepted by the Glade Valley Community Services at P. O. Box 655, Walkersville, MD.



December Birthdays



12/01 Ruth Ann Engel
 12/02 Luke Burrier
 12/03 Vivienne Mershon
 12/05 Jason Goff
 12/06 Janie Angleberger
 William Veith
 12/07 Richard Gilbert
 12/08 Adalyn Schildt
 12/09 Logan Zimmerman
 12/12 JoAnn DiPaolo
 Austin Clarke
 Brett Hamilton
 Caleb Sier
 12/16 Danita Puhl
 12/18 Carole Shoemaker
 12/19 Jenny Veith
 12/20 Arthur Leveronne



12/21 Samantha Shober
 12/22 David O'Planick
 Nancy Sweet
 12/23 Sharon Burrier
 Evan Johnson
 Katherine Johnson
 12/25 James Pencola
 12/27 Ray Hummer III
 12/31 Carol Remsberg

December Anniversaries

Happy
Anniversary



12/03 Char & Roger Musser
 12/04 Cathy & Thomas Clarke



Care Givers



A chill is in the air---it's December! Our thoughts turn to Christmas' approach... and, more than likely, we are soon caught up in making a list for gift-giving for family and friends on December 25th...and that's okay and good...But, perhaps we could also consider "***Making Christmas Last All Year Long***" as suggested in this 'poetic list' by Kelly Roper:

"Why confine the beauty of Christmas to a single day or season?"

- *Give to the needy whenever you're able*
- *Volunteer at a soup kitchen*
- *Wish people a good day every day*
- *Sing your favorite Christmas carol just because*
- *Send cards to let loved ones know you're thinking of them*
- *Surprise someone now and then with a gift from the heart*
- *Let that mistletoe hang all year round and use it*
- *Pray for peace on earth each and every day*
- *Try to love your fellow human beings even though they're far from perfect*
- *Give thanks for all the Lord provides*
- *Keep Jesus first in your heart*

If you can do these things all year long, Christmas never has to end."

What do you think? Could we all become more *caring* and *giving* as we look for and take opportunities to serve and love others throughout the year? It can be Christmas every time you let God's love shine through your acts of kindness. May we all remember God's Gift to us by giving to others...and by our giving, may we discover that the greatest gifts are not wrapped in paper but in L O V E !

Christmas Blessings!

Becky D.



Mission & Social Action Committee



**MITTEN TREE
GIFT ITEMS DUE
SUNDAY, NOV. 28th**

**SOUP
KITCHEN**

**SAVE THE DATE
JANUARY
SOUP KITCHEN**

Mark your calendars for January 16th at 3:45 for our next Soup Kitchen on All Saints Street in downtown Frederick. We will be providing a warm meal on a cold day to about 50-60 people. What better meal to enjoy in cold weather than ham and mac & cheese – classic comfort food. Bake a cake, provide a salad, rolls or mac & cheese. Most of all, show up and help us out. It is always an honor to serve.

Thank you

Dear Glade Church Family,

Thank you for your support, prayers and cards in remembering my mother Doris Flanigan. Having the Celebration of Life service at the church was wonderful. I am thankful for Bill Powell for the musical selections during the service. Mother always loved the way Bill Powell made that organ sing.

Also I want to thank Pastor Amy for her help in everything to organize the service and for visiting “mom” at the hospice house during her last days.

Thank you to the Guild for the wonderful lunch that was served following the service.

Thank you so much
Debbie Flanigan



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| Sun., Nov. 28 | First Sunday of Advent
Hanging of the Greens service
Last day to bring your unwrapped gifts to church for
The GVCS Holiday Toy Shop |
| Sat., Dec. 4 | Walkersville Christkindlmarket & Parade
Parade at 10:00 am
Festivities 10:00 am—3:00 p.m.
Pictures with Santa in the Sanctuary 11:00 am—3:00 pm |
| Wed., Dec. 15 | Annual Holiday Concert |
| Fri., Dec. 24 | CHRISTMAS EVE (Church office Closed)
Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
8:30 p.m. Musical prelude, 9:00 p.m. Worship service |
| Sat., Dec. 25 | MERRY CHRISTMAS (Church Office Closed) |
| Sun., Dec. 26 | HYMN Sing |
| Fri., Dec., 31 | NEW YEAR'S EVE (Church Office Closed) |



*The Glade UCC office wishes all a very
Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!*

Around the Community

Town of Walkersville Annual Christmas Tree Lighting



Will take place on Wednesday, December 1st, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Creamery Park. Our Glade Tower Handbell Choir will be performing along with other local churches. The ceremony will include brief remarks by Town officials, a community sing-along, and a special visit from Santa Claus.

WALKERSVILLE ANNUAL FESTIVE CHRISTKINDLMARKET



Saturday, December 4th
10am - 3pm
Artisans, Vendors, Music, Food
&
Family Fun Events

South Glade Road - Fulton Avenue
West Pennsylvania Avenue

*Sponsored By: Walkersville Historical Society
Hosted By: Glade UCC, St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
Walkersville Library and Walkersville Feed Company*



Come celebrate our 25th holiday Handbell concert with us
Sunday, December 5th at 4:00 PM
First Presbyterian Church
65 Washington Rd., Westminster,
\$15 Adults—\$12 Seniors
Under 17 FREE

Silver Bells

Masks & Social Distancing are required



Glade UCC Lottery Raffle Fund Raiser



\$10 per ticket

The raffle will be held the entire month of
February 2022.

The daily winner will be determined by the
Maryland Evening Pick 3 Straight Lottery Number.

Winners will be notified by Phone.

Only 1,000 tickets to be sold

Contact Ron Rough, 301-639-3834 if you would like
to help sell tickets or if you are interested in
purchasing tickets.

**Hurry and get your raffle tickets, we only have 180
tickets left. They make great Christmas gifts.**

**** Disclaimer ****

****This raffle is not affiliated with the MD State Lottery Agency****

**For those who are in the process of selling your tickets, all
money or unsold tickets must be turned in to Ron Rough
by January 15, 2022.**

Thanks to all who have supported this fundraiser.

Volunteers and Donations Needed



The Guild will be making centerpieces to sell at the Christkindlmarket at Chris Torbeck's house on **Thursday, December 2nd at 3:30 p.m.** All are welcome to join, please bring pine or holly if you have any. Chris's address is:
10530 Dublin Road, Walkersville, MD 21793

Glade is participating in the parade with our own manger/nativity scene float. We hope to see you at the parade.



Santa will be in our sanctuary from 11 AM—3 PM for pictures. Please bring your own camera. Monetary donations to the Glade Valley Food Bank welcomed but not required.

The Guild is in need of donations of the following

Baked goods to sell at the bake table on December 4th. Please package for single servings. We will also be selling soup & sandwiches, and are asking for soup donations and your help to start making sandwiches at 8:30 a.m. in the church kitchen.



We will also need donations of candy canes for the children to throw from our parade float and for Santa to hand out to children during photos.



January Birthdays



01/01	Char Musser	01/15	Wanda Strawsburg
01/03	Kevin Saylor	01/16	Deborah Wachter-Harne
01/04	Jeffrey Stevens		Mason Saylor
01/07	Ronald Whitmore	01/20	Kenneth Wisner
01/08	Gerald Hanberry		Elizabeth Jones
	Kenny Whitmore	01/22	Patsy Wiles-Bowers
01/09	Julianna VenDouern		Brooks Ray
01/10	Amy Dows	01/23	Lauren Pencola
	Richard Garst		Michael Kreimer
	Tony Vernon	01/24	Cody Boyer
	Wayne Ausherman	01/26	Joyce Shry
01/11	Jeffrey Wisner	01/27	Kacie Grimm
01/13	Kyle Abramson		Jack Walker
01/14	Jane Wenzel	01/28	Ruth Ann Wilson
	Holly VanNess	01/30	Jeffrey Funk
	Erin Boyer		Ryan O'Planick
	Susan Smith		

January Anniversaries



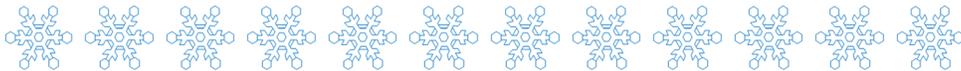
01/05	Adriane Wodey & Jack Fritz
01/11	Janie & Michael Angleberger
01/14	Dorothy & Ralph Shober





JANUARY EVENTS

Sat., Jan. 1	HAPPY NEW YEAR (Church Office Closed)
Sun., Jan 16	Soup Kitchen 4:45 p.m.



Inclement Weather Policy

Sunday School and morning services will be cancelled when the snow emergency plan is in effect at 8:00 a.m. in Frederick County.

In the event there is inclement weather, but a snow emergency has not been declared for Frederick County, Glade Church will hold Sunday School and morning church services. Cancellation announcements will be issued on our website at www.gladechurch.org, our Facebook page, or on WAFY Key 103.1 FM. We will make every effort to get the announcement out by 8:00 AM.

While we would love to see everyone in church on Sunday morning, we do not want anyone to hurt themselves trying to get to church. If you have any doubts about the driving and walking conditions, please make your personal safety your highest priority.

