



# FIRST LIGHT

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## Special Offering for Tornado Relief



We've all heard the news about the devastating tornados that sprang up across Kentucky, Illinois, Tennessee, Missouri

and Arkansas last week, killing dozens and destroying many neighborhoods, homes and businesses. It's during tragedies such as these that the United Methodist Committee on Relief goes to work, helping to relieve suffering and restore communities. We will be taking a special offering over the next few weeks to help with those efforts. If you would like to donate, please place a check (made out to First UMC) or cash in one of the red and white envelopes found in the pews or on the connections tables. Mark the envelope for "Tornado Relief" and place it in the offering box or basket. **Let's be "blessed to be a blessing."**

## Touch-A-Heart Makes the Holiday Bright

To the right is a picture of just a portion of the total gifts collected for this year's "Touch-A-Heart" campaign. In total, 150 senior citizens and 140 children will receive gifts this year. There are even some funds left over to be used for additional ministry in the future. Touch-A-Heart organizers thank you for the outpouring of support for this wonderful ministry.



### Reminders:

-The "Let There Be Christmas" cantata will be presented on December 19<sup>th</sup> during the 10:45 a.m. worship service and again at 2:00 p.m.

-Christmas Eve services will be 3:30 p.m. (family oriented) and 8:00 p.m. (with communion). The 8:00 service will be live streamed.

-2022 offering envelopes are available in the Welcome Center.

-Worship Changes:

December 19<sup>th</sup>: No 8:15 a.m. service

December 26<sup>th</sup>: No 8:15 a.m. or 10:45 a.m. service. There will be one combined service in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m. This service will be live streamed.

This year's Christmas offering will be for House of Hope at Sojourner Truth Ministries. Join us on Christmas Eve to learn more.



# Welcome Our Newest Members

We were thrilled to welcome new members into our church family at all three services on December 12<sup>th</sup>.



Clay and Betsy Fahringer live in Turbotville and usually attend the 9:30 service.



Patsy Feigles lives in Muncy and attends the 10:45 service



Dick and Jo Langer live in Muncy and usually attend the 8:15 or 10:45 service.



Dorothy Young lives in Montgomery and attends the 10:45 service



Don and Darla Wright live in Muncy and attend the 10:45 service.



Sharon Moyer lives in Picture Rocks and attends the 8:15 service.

*Card Shower for Betty Lou Wright's 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday*  
525 Broadway Street, Apt. 24  
Hughesville, PA 17737



# Tis the Season to be Grateful

*Submitted by Lisa Laidacker*



I am extremely grateful for all the support with the JAM Children's Ministry Program. We have grown to 31 registered children and my heart is full when I see the kids come down the hall on Sunday morning. We have been adding one or two new students each week.

Parents and grandparents, thank you for sharing your kids with us and for making Jesus a priority in their life. We are blessed. I am also grateful for everyone who pitched in with our Christmas program with a special shout out to Kevin Myers for providing the music and for assisting at rehearsals.

There will be a JAM Christmas party for the children who have been participating in JAM and the musical. It will be at 10:30 a.m. on December 19th. We will be watching the musical and celebrating Jesus' birth. If you have any questions, please email Lisa Laidacker at [JAM@firstumcmuncy.org](mailto:JAM@firstumcmuncy.org) or text/call 570 419-8786

## Mr. Grinch Makes a Visit



A special visitor was seen roaming the building on Wednesday night. I suppose he wanted to hear what we were saying about him in our "The Heart That Grew Three Sizes: Finding Faith In The Story of The Grinch" study groups. Thanks for visiting Mr. Grinch! (Thanks to Heather Koser for the photos)

