



FIRST LIGHT

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New Bible Study for the New Year

Pastor Rick will begin a new bible study on January 12, 2022. The class will meet weekly each Wednesday evening beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Living Water Cafe and should run approximately 1 1/2 hours. Childcare will be available upon request. Please contact the office or speak to Pastor Rick if you would like to set up a childcare option.

The class will work through an excellent bible study series called "That The World May Know" by renowned historian, teacher and biblical scholar Ray Vander Laan. The studies contain expertly created videos, shot on location in the Middle East, where Vander Laan will guide us through the lands of the Bible. In each lesson Vander Laan illuminates the historical, geographical, and cultural context of the sacred Scriptures and ends the video with a discussion of how we can take the information learned and apply it to our faith journeys in our modern times. The videos will be followed by discussion and further teaching by Pastor Rick. This study series is very interesting and will transform your understanding of God and challenge you to be a true follower of Jesus. There will be no "homework" or student books and you can come to sessions as you are able. It is not necessary to attend every class as each session is an independent lesson.

Reminders:

-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 26th: 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.

UMCOR Tornado Relief Special Offering

We are currently taking offerings for UMCOR tornado relief efforts. Place offerings in the red and white envelopes found in the pews or on the connection tables. Make checks payable to "First UMC" and mark envelope for UMCOR. To date, we have already collected over \$4,000.00. **We are blessed to be a blessing!**

*Card Shower for Betty Lou
Wright's 94th Birthday
On December 31st*

525 Broadway Street, Apt. 24
Hughesville, PA 17737



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

more.



*Dear Church Family,
Words cannot express the deep gratitude we feel for the generosity of our church family at First UMC Muncy. The outpouring of support that you give us all year long is very much appreciated, especially during the Christmas season. Thank you all for the many gifts we have received. We are so blessed to be serving among you. In appreciation for all of you, our family is making a donation in honor of FUMC to Son Light House. It is just a small way of showing our love and gratitude for all of you. May the Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy of Christ be with each of you during this holy season and throughout 2022. We can't wait to see where God leads our church in the new year.*



*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,
Pastor Rick and Jody*

A hearty group of approximately 40 adults and youth braved the cold and wind to Christmas carol in the neighborhoods around the church on Wednesday evening. They were able to brighten the holiday for about 20 parishioners who live near the church.



Here are some of them enjoying refreshments after the caroling. Thank you for being a blessing to the neighborhood!

