

DPC Weekly
Update Darnestown Presbyterian Church
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[This Sunday, November 27, 2016 - First Sunday of Advent](#)

We will worship at 8:45 & 11:00 a.m. this Sunday morning. Rev. Tamara Leonard Lara will be in the pulpit, and the Bell Choir will play at both services.

Sunday School Classes for children and adults will meet this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Who might you invite to attend with us?

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DPW's Christmas Tea

All women and young ladies (5 years and up) are cordially invited to attend the annual DPW Christmas Tea on **Sunday, December 4 from 3-5 p.m.** It will be held at the home of Lida Stifel (14000 Turkey Foot Road, Darnestown, 20878). There will be music, tidbits, and fellowship. Please plan to park at DPC—carpools to Lida's house will be set up there.

RSVP to Belinda O'Berry (bee@oberry.org/301-785-7081) or Jan Summers (janis.summers@usitc.gov/391-339-5337), and let us know if you can be there and bring a sweet or a savory "tidbit" to share. You may also sign up on the sign-up sheets in the Social and Fellowship Halls.

Our **Mission project** will benefit the **YMCA Mentoring Program—Gifts for Youth**. **"Snowmen"** will be available on **Sunday** in the Sanctuary after worship, and each has the name of a child with their age, sex and wish (gift up to \$40). People can choose one and buy the gift for that child. **Bring the wrapped gift with the Snowman attached to the Tea, or leave it in the basket in Fellowship Hall on or before December 11.**

Holiday Basket Program

If you pledged gift cards for our annual **Adopt-a-Family Holiday Basket Program**, please put them in the collection plate, deliver them to the DPC office, or contact Rob Garretson (rgarretson@gmail.com) to arrange a pickup. If you filled out a pew card or sent Rob an email and haven't received a family assignment, please contact Rob ASAP.

If you'd like to adopt a family for **Christmas** (dinner meal basket, plus gifts for

the children), please email Rob or fill out a pew card, and we'll seek more assignments from Germantown HELP. Your generous support, as always, has been a blessing! **Also, this year our Junior Church children will be preparing gift bags that you can include with your Christmas delivery.** If you've volunteered to adopt a family for Christmas and are interested in a bag with small toys and other gifts customized for your assigned family, please contact Sarah Henderson (henderson.munter@gmail.com).

The Session calls for a **Meeting of the Congregation** on **Sunday, December 18** immediately following the 11:00 service. The purpose of the meeting is to elect Elders, Deacons, and the 2017 Nominating Committee.

DPW Bazaar

- Throughout the holiday season, **Christmas items** such as wreaths and florals will be displayed in the Parlor. If you'd like to purchase any of these, you can do so on any Sunday by giving a check or cash (exact change) to a DPW board member. During the week, funds can be left at the church office.
- If you would like to buy a new **DPC Cookbook** (it's a great holiday gift!), please pick one up at the church office for \$15 (cash or check), or contact a DPW board member.
- **Special Note: If you bought** the blue wine decanter from the "Household Treasures Room," we have located the stopper for it! Please contact Anita Goldshine at agoldshine@gmail.com or 909-215-9297.
- Finally, if you interested in ordering **DPC Spiritwear** (T shirts, Polo shirts and Denim shirts), there are forms in the church office.

The following summarizes our **Offering Giving** through November 6, 2016:

Cumulative Budget	\$373,730
Actual Giving	332,935
Ahead (Behind)	(40,795)

The Cemetery Committee has an opening for an additional member. If anyone is interested, please let Keith Midberry know.

Welcome Bags are available in the Narthex each Sunday.