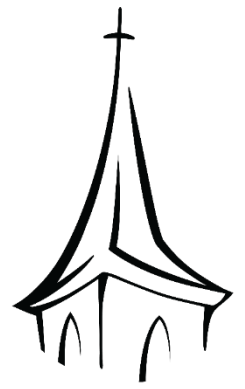


WEST SHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER



From the Desk of Pastor Kelly

I don't do New Year's resolutions. Period. I figure, I can't change me (that's Jesus' job) and we all know that my self-discipline is pretty poor (just ask how long Ed Bihl's bag of biscotti lasted in my house this Christmas).

I do, however, do New Year's evaluations. At some point next week (I'm writing this on Dec. 20), a few days before 2023 officially begins, I'll go for a walk with Jesus and we'll talk about the last year. I'll ask Him to remind me of what He's done, how He's shown me His love and power in a new way, where He is bringing light into my darkness. We'll talk about how He's working in the lives of the people I love.

And then I'll ask Him the Big Question: 'Do I look more like You at the end of 2022 than I did at the beginning?'

That one is a little scary. But, wow, is it ever important. Because looking more like Jesus is how we give Him Glory.

Thousands of years ago, our Father God made a promise to Moses and His chosen people. He said to them, 'See, I make a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people whom you are among shall see the work of the LORD. For it is an awesome thing that I will do with you' (Exodus 34:10).

Do you see what He promises? Our Father says that *He* will change us – He, through His goodness and mercy, His love and power, will accomplish marvelous works in us! Know what that means? It means that when we ask Him to make us look more like Jesus, our Father will . . . teach us how to love our spouse . . . deliver us from addiction . . . transform our anger . . . call us to serve Him in ways we never imagined . . . use us to listen and to pray. . . heal our broken hearts . . . He'll make us look more like His Son on December 31, 2023 than we do today.

That's giving Him Glory. See, when He causes us to fall in love with Him we will change – marvels will be accomplished in our lives. And the people we know and love will see that we are different, they'll know Someone is making us new, and they will want to meet Him too.

This New Year skip the resolutions. You can't make yourself 'better' anyhow. Instead, go for a walk with Jesus, let Him tell you how He's making you new and ask *Him* to make you look more like Him this year. Then do the things He's asking you to do or to be, as you draw closer to Him.

Love ya,
Pastor Kelly

Special Dates

Birthdays

1 – Ashley Stine	14 – Beth Ice
4 – Cheryl Vulich	15 – Clark Stefanic
5 – Abiodun Adeyemi	16 – Judd Brouse
10 – David Carr	17 – Steve Sleboda
10 – Janis Lloyd	27 – Chuck McCown
13 – Carol Wittle	

Anniversaries

6 – Ron & Carol Keeney
28 – Steve & Rose Sleboda

Bell & Choir Rehearsals

Wednesday Evenings

6:00 pm Bell Choir
7:00 pm Choir

Men's & Ladies' Breakfast January 21

8:00 am - Men's Breakfast

@

West Shore Plaza Family Restaurant
1200 Market Street, Lemoyne

8:30 am - Ladies' Breakfast

@

West Shore Plaza Family Restaurant
1200 Market St., Lemoyne

January Meetings

Advisory Council Meeting: *Tues., Jan. 3*, at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Trustees Meeting: *Mon., Jan. 9*, at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Deacons Meeting: *Tues., Jan. 10*, at 7:00 p.m.

Missions Board Meeting: *Tues., Jan. 17*, at 6:00 p.m.

Board of Christian Education Meeting: *Tues., Jan. 17*, at 7:00 p.m.

THE DEACON BOARD

New Sound Worship Night:

All are welcome to encounter Christ through song, prayer, and the word on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 7 pm in Davidson Chapel. Musicians and vocalists from WSBC & our region will lead. Rehearsal is Jan. 5 @ 7 pm.

Benevolence Fund:

Managing the church's Benevolence Fund is an important part of the deacon board's responsibilities. We are grateful for the many people in our congregation who contribute to this impactful ministry. Your generosity allows us to feed the hungry in our community and help struggling families get through tough times. **Our next collection will be held January 8.**

Fellowship/Coffee Café:

Do you have a favorite item or treat you'd like to share on Sunday mornings for our coffee café? Donations are greatly appreciated!

Thank You

Linda Appelman sent the following note:

"On behalf of my family, I would like to say Thank You for the many prayers, cards, and expressions of love during this difficult time upon my mom's passing. I am truly blessed to be part of such a caring church family."

Advent Undecorating

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped decorate our church for Advent. We are in need of just as many helpers on Saturday, January 7 at 9:00 am for taking down all the decorations.



BOARD
of
CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION

Kids' Club:

All students in grades 1-6 are invited to join our "Kids' Club" on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Each night we learn about a new spiritual discipline, play games, and grow together. **We are in need of dedicated volunteers to serve as leaders in this area of ministry.** If you have an interest in discipling the children in our church, please contact Maura Giannone (maura.giannone@gmail.com).

Sunday School:

Pastor Kelly will be co-leading a New Testament survey, EMPTY, course with Rev. Stan LeQuire from 9-10 AM in Davidson Chapel beginning Sunday, January 8. We will see how the Bible tells only ONE story and it all points to Jesus. All are welcome to join.

Nursery:

We have now resumed offering nursery during the worship service and deeply appreciate our 10 volunteers!

Community Groups:

Our newest round of Community Groups – small group who gather to apply the Bible to their lives, pray and build relationships – launched in September. Seven groups are off and going. If you are interested in joining one, contact the church office for more information about open groups.



**THE
MISSION
BOARD**

Clothes Closet:

This ministry is held the second Saturday of every month. The Clothes Closet will be closed in January and will resume in February. There are lots of items to be sorted!! If you would like to volunteer, please connect with Dawne Strock at: dawne1954@aol.com.

Red Cross Blood Drive:

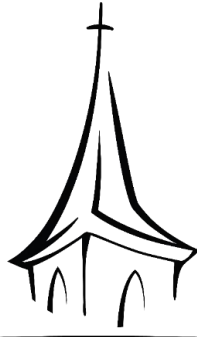
There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive held at WSBC on **Thursday, January 26, 2023, from 12 pm – 6 pm**. If you wish to donate, visit their website at www.redcrossblood.org.

Blessing Bags

Donations can be placed in Fellowship Hall on the left side of the bin in the northwest corner. A list of items can be found there. We are also collecting tote bags, string back bags or any sturdy bags to distribute a blessing bag in. With winter ahead, socks, hats and gloves will be added to the bags.

Little Free Pantry:

Don't forget about our outdoor community pantry. Thank you to those who have contributed. Next time you are shopping, consider buying an item or two to place in the pantry on your way into church.



WEST SHORE

BAPTIST CHURCH

2025 Market St.
Camp Hill, PA 17011
www.wsb.org

SUNDAY SERVICES:

Worship Service — 10:30 AM

Live streaming online and at church

Staff

Senior Pastor:	Rev. Kelly Legg	Cell: (610) 755-8203	Email: pastorkdl@gmail.com
Associate Pastor:			
Choir Director:	Carol Saltzer	Cell: (717) 383-9740	Email: carolsaltzer@hotmail.com
Office Manager:	Colleen Angeli	Church: (717) 761-0942	Email: c.angeli@wsbc.org
Organist:	Gary Stefanic	Home: (717) 635-9602	Email: garystefanic1@comcast.net
Church Sextons:	Rimma & Vladimir Torchilo	Church: (717) 761-0942	

