



New Light

A Metropolitan Community Church

January 2017

Newsletter
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Sundays –

MORNING SERVICES – 10:30 AM

Wednesdays –

Purposeful Faith Development – 6:30 PM

Sunday, January 15 –

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING –
12:00 PM**

Pastor:

Rev. Deb Coggin

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Sun., Jan. 1 at 10:30 AM – Church Service. “Giving Our Gifts Away”

1 Corinthians 12: 4-11; Matthew 2: 7-12. Focus: Giving our gifts and talents away.

Wed., Jan. 4 at 6:30 PM – ***Purposeful Faith Development.*** *

Sun., Jan. 8 at 10:30 AM – Church Service. “The Gospel According to Geese – Part 1”

Acts 2: 41-43; John 15: 1-8. Focus: Living as a community of Faith.

Wed., Jan. 11 at 6:30 PM – ***Purposeful Faith Development.*** *

Sat., Jan. 14 at 9:30 to 10:00 AM – Food and Friends.

Sun., Jan. 15 at 10:30 AM – Church Service. “The Gospel According to Geese – Part 2”

Acts 2: 44-47; Mark 12: 41-44. Focus: Living as a community of Faith.

Sun., Jan. 15 at 12:00 PM – Board of Directors Meeting.

Wed., Jan. 18 at 6:30 PM – ***Purposeful Faith Development.*** *

Sun., Jan. 22 at 10:30 AM – Church Service. “Change Begins with A Loss”

Philippians 3: 7-14; Matthew 5: 1-5. Focus: Change Cycle – How to Move Through

Wed., Jan. 25 at 6:30 PM – ***Purposeful Faith Development.*** *

Sat., Jan. 28 at 9:30 to 10:00 AM – Food and Friends.

Sun., Jan. 29 at 10:30 AM – Church Service. “Change Brings Doubt”

Psalms 22: 1-3; Matthew 14: 22-33. Focus: Change Cycle – How to Move Through

*Join us on Wednesday Nights at 6:30 PM for *Purposeful Faith Development*. Bring a dish to share. We are learning about community and change which you can apply to everyday life.

Greetings from Pastor Deb

Happy New Years! I am excited to begin the New Year with the New Light MCC community of faith. Our theme for 2017 is Traveling God's Path Together! Our verse is Esther 4:14 "And who knows but that you have come to your position for such a time as this?"

The newness of the year gives us the opportunity to reflect on the past year and to dream and hope about the New Year. I believe God is stirring a new wonder for us as a community of faith. I invite everyone to join us as we step into this adventure that God is creating for New Light MCC.

We have some exciting opportunities coming through out in the New Year so stay in touch and give some a try. First, we will gather every Wednesday Night at 6:30 for a pot-luck meal and a time of connection. After our meal, we will engage in purposeful faith development. Our discussion revolves around the message to be given on the following Sunday. If we want to grow in our spiritual life so it impacts our entire life, then we must be purposeful about our faith development. It does not just happen. We must make it a priority. Join us!

We will begin a new couple's group in February. We will gather at New Light for a meal, connection, support and a lot of fun. Community is about building relationships. We hope you will join us.

As a community of faith, we will be examining the things that we are doing with excellence and taking a close look at the things we could do better. We will hold a vision/strategic workshop in March. We will recreate our vision statement as well as make short and long term goals. You are a valued part of this adventure so please join us.

We are striving to be authentic in all that we do. During the season of Lent, we will be examining what it means to be an authentic disciple. The season of Lent gives us a time to reflect on our journey with God as we look at the life of Jesus.

God is beginning a new thing here at New Light MCC. We have survived a time in the wilderness. Now is the time for new growth and living in the full potential that God desires for us. I have learned that New Light MCC is a strong community of faith with great potential and many gifts. I am excited to see God move among us, with us and through us as we travel this journey in the New Year. I hope you will be an active participant.

Peace, Pastor Deb





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We are still taking used ink cartridges so we may recycle them at Staples for their Rewards program and continue to pay for our new printer cartridges thru that program.

We saved \$40.00 on office supplies last month.

Our **Recycling Ministry** is headed by Rosalie Jones. Rosalie takes our used paper, cardboard, plastic and cans to be recycled. The cans she takes to get cash for and it benefits the General Fund. She would like to ask if anyone in the congregation would like to bring in their cans for our recycling fundraising, please contact her when you may be bringing in your cans. Also, if anyone would like to help Rosalie, please see her.

Our Charity Challenge Tub started with the *Ice Bucket Challenge for ALS*. It has evolved to different challenges and has just raised monies for *amfAR* and *The Washington County SPCA* and *Children In Need*.

Give your loose change and help out our current chosen charity.

Currently our Charity Tub is helping with our church bills.

Is volunteering “your thing”? Look around ... there are always opportunities right in front of you. Here at the church if you see left over bulletins in the seat after church services, pick them up and take back to the greeters’ table ... if the door glass is smudged, we have cleaners in the kitchen ... if social hour is busy and we have leftover food or the coffee pot needs turned off and clean, help clean up. It’s not just the big projects that help out ... it’s usually the small ones.

Food and Friends are looking to fill a vacancy for 2 people to help deliver groceries to local people with special needs. See Bruce Brooks for more info.

Stay informed. Please update your church information. Fill out your information and place it in the offering plate.

*Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday:*

Kathy Boyd-Mansfield – January 4

Cheryl Evans – January 7

Rosalie Jones – January 8

Gayle Cooper – January 9

Lester Smith – January 16

Happy Birthday to you!

Share your Prayer Requests!

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