Church Family Prayer Concerns: The Hemp Family upon the death of Charlene, Pat Reilly (Friend of Pam Rook), Cathy Dennison (friend of Chris Bethman and Pam Rook), Valerie, Rosie (Friend of Jim & Helene Mershon), Mary Beth (Friend of Bill & Karen D'Anjolell), Rev. Debbie Rakos and her husband Rod, Charlie (son in-law of Carol Smith), Buschner Family (Friends of Joe & Judi Swerk), Devon Mattox (nephew of Carolyn Brown), Rich Selah, Tammy (niece of the Tomlinson family), Nancy Daney & Family, Daniel Wright (friend of Pat King).

Names added to the prayer list will remain for 3 weeks unless an extension is requested.

The Mission of the Month (Advance) for December is the Prison Ministries and Restorative Justice Team of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church (EPAUMC). Under the leadership of Reverend Marilyn Schneider, the Prison Ministries and Restorative Justice Team gives support for individuals, families, and communities affected by the criminal justice system. Team members provide books, Bible studies, films, and speakers to educate congregations. They offer weekend retreats for families. They help at-risk youth and formerly incarcerated individuals.

If you would like to help with this important ministry, you can use the blue envelopes located in the pews in the Sanctuary. You can also send a check to Newtown United Methodist Church, 35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940. Please mark your check "Advance for December."



If you would like to make your church donation online, you just have to scan this code with your phone camera to be connected directly the church's paypal account.

The Outreach Team thanks everyone for your contributions to our "Thanksgiving for Families in Need" mission. Thanks to you, many local families were able to buy ingredients for a Thanksgiving meal.

Just a reminder that the team is still collecting non-perishable food, cleaning supplies, and baby items. These items will be given to our sister church, Penns Park UMC, home to the Wrightstown Food Pantry, and to other churches who have requested help.

THIS WEEK AT NEWTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940 215-968-2662

Sunday, December 21

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Childcare available

Wednesday, December 24

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 28

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Childcare available

5:30 p.m. Christmas Dine Around

Sunday Servants December 21, 2025

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given by Tom He in honor of Sandy's Birthday

USHERS: Randy & Nancy Scurlock, Allen Fidler

LAY READER: Nora Schenk

GREETERS: Freeman Corson & Pat King

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Linda Walsh

FINANCE STEWARD: Randy & Nora Schenk

December 28th - Sunday Servants

USHERS: Randy & Nancy Scurlock, Allen Fidler

LAY READER: Susan Smith

GREETERS: Dave & Kathy Mershon FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Nora & Randy Schenk FINANCE STEWARD: Randy & Nora Schenk

Coffee with the Pastor - Saturday, January 17, 2026

Visitors and those considering membership are invited to join Pastor Rodney for Coffee with the Pastor on Saturday, January 17, 2026, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM. Enjoy coffee, light snacks, and a relaxed conversation about our church, Methodist faith, and the meaning of membership. A sign-up sheet is available in the Gallery. For questions, please email rbrailsford@verizon.net or call the church office.

The new envelopes for 2026 are available for pick up in the gallery. Please pick yours up and maybe pick up your friends or families also.

2026 Flower Chart

The new flower chart is posted. Please consider donating altar flowers, in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone or for a special occasion. The cost is \$35.00. If you have any questions please call Kathy in the church office.



Christmas Eve- Candlelight services will be: 7:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.

The World Thank Offering Thank you

Thanks to all who participated in this year offering where we had the opportunity to show gratitude for God's blessings. The final total for 2025 is \$492.55. The money will be sent to the conference for mission activities for women and children. We will learn which groups will receive these funds and will share this information with the congregation. Thanks again for your interest, support and most of all your caring for others.

Since the Christmas Dine Around was cancelled last Sunday, it's rescheduled for Sunday December 28th, following the same schedule as before:

Meet at the home of Donald and Susan Smith's at 5:30 p.m. for salad & appetizers and go from there to dinner at a hostess's house. With the rescheduling we are in need of 2 or 3 more hostesses.

If you can host a few people, please talk to Chris Bethman or Kathy Mershon asap. Meanwhile we need a headcount, If you can still come please confirm on the sign up sheet in the gallery. If you cannot make it, please cross off your name. If you can now make it, please don't hesitate to sign up. But we need a count by tonight at the latest. If you have any questions please give me a call Chris at 215-920-5501 or Dottie Detwiler at 215-968-4306.