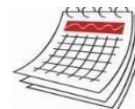




## CALENDAR



**This Sunday** is the second Sunday of Advent, the season when our worship and prayers emphasize our relationship with real people and our responsibilities to help care for them. During Advent, each Sunday we offer a special collection. For this Sunday, designated **PEACE** Sunday, our offering is in support of the Presbyterian Church USA's Disaster Relief for the Middle East DR000081. In creating DR000081, The Presbyterian Church USA has deemed this conflict the antithesis of Christian Peace. As is our custom, this Advent offering will be separate from our regular giving. Your generosity in support of The Center is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Today – **12/10/23:** After Worship  
 Monday - **12/11/23:** 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
 Thursday – **12/14/23:** 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 Saturday – **12/16/23:** 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 Saturday – **12/16/23:** 7:00 p.m.

**Gift Wrapping Party**  
**Session Meeting**  
**Fair Trade Shoppe**  
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**Tapestry Concert**

**Longest Night Ecumenical Service:** At 6:00 p.m. Thursday, December 21, @ Stone Presbyterian Church, 8 South Park Row, Clinton, NY, will be the longest night of the year (the winter solstice). The Clinton Area Ministerium is supporting a Longest Night service for those experiencing grief, loss or hardship during the holiday season. Dealing with the death of a loved one, facing life after divorce or separation, coping with the loss of a job, living with cancer, among other things can be difficult. The pain of loss is felt by many at this time of year and this service offers a sacred, gentle space to gather, remember, and comfort. It will be in-person and streamed on Facebook Live. Afterwards we will have light refreshments.



Want to see what else is on the calendar? Go to our Web page – [Stonepres.org](http://Stonepres.org) & click on the “CALENDAR ICON”

**Greeter & Host:** Barb Greene

**Prayer Chain:** If you would like to add someone to our prayer list or would like to receive the prayer list for daily prayer, please go to our website [www.stonepres.org](http://www.stonepres.org) and click on “Prayer Request”

**Hope House:** has a special request for dinner plates and dry cereal. Please contact Ceil Gilbert (853-8289) if you have any questions.

**The Country Pantry:** The Country Pantry will be collecting foods needed for the holidays like boxed stuffing, boxed potatoes, cranberry sauce, vegetables, canned yams, turkey, gravy, canned veggies or whatever you wish to donate. Monetary donations will be used for eggs, bread and cheese. Please mark the check as “holiday food”. Remember the 3rd Sunday is collection day at the church, **however**, feel free to donate anytime.

**The Fair Trade Shoppe:** If anyone feels moved to support West Bank Palestinians whose livelihoods have been devastated, we are offering you the opportunity. We have dishes—bowls, appetizer plates, dipping bowls— and olive wood nativity sets that are made in the West Bank. We also have olive oil and za’atar mix that are made by a group of Israeli and Palestinian women working together in Israel. Our cold-pressed extra virgin olive oil is made from organic olives in Israel. It was the winner of the Gold medal at the Premo Biol competition in Italy, making it one of the best organic extra virgin olive oils in the world! Our traditional za’atar spice mixture is made with sea salt and can be used as a bread dip with olive oil, or on meats, vegetables, or hummus. Each purchase supports a model for peace between Arabs and Jews.



### Members/Friends of the Week:

Wendy Suskiewich  
 Paul & Mary Wrege  
 Carol Yates

**Tapestry, The All-Centuries Singers,** will present their annual Christmas concert in our sanctuary on Saturday evening, December 16, at 7:00 p.m. The program under the direction of G. Roberts Kolb includes Benjamin Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols*, Kirke Mechem's *Seven Joys of Christmas*, and a selection of 16th-century motets and chorales. Admission is \$15/\$10 seniors/\$5 students.



### Prayer Request:

Phil Conley  
 Kristina  
 Kathy  
 Ralph Sherman  
 Larry Beasley  
 Grace & Frank Whittemore  
 Erik Jones  
 Emily Massi & Family  
 Mary Chamberlain & Family  
 Linda & Hal Rance  
 The LaFont Family  
 Patsy Glista & Family  
 Trish Harris & Family  
 Andrew Bering  
 Louise Wrate  
 Daniel Kolb and Family  
 Sue Raitt

