#### **MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT**

## SALT, LIGHT, AND FRAGRANCE: "THE REDEMPTION OF EB SCROOGE"

What words come to mind this time of year as we celebrate the birth of Christ? Joy, Peace, Good Tidings? There are so many, but have you thought about the word Redemption? Honestly, it's not a word we hear associated with Christmas too often... but perhaps we should. Redemption can be defined as the act of being saved from sin, error or evil. The birth of Christ is evidence of God's Redemptive Love for us that ultimately led Jesus to Calvary. SLF is working hard to present the Christmas drama, "The Redemption of Eb Scrooge". It's a modern-day version of Dicken's "The Christmas Carol". If there was ever a person that needed God's Redemption, it was Scrooge. However, if we are honest, we have bits and pieces of Scrooge in all of us. We all need God's redeeming Love. We hope to see you and your friends at our performances this year. As we laugh and watch poor Eb's miserable ways, we will see his ultimate redemption and be reminded that the birth of Jesus is part of the greatest redemption story ever. You can come on Saturday, December 14th and then stay for a light reception in the Gym following the performance where you can meet the cast (please note that there will not be nursery available during this performance). Or you can attend on Sunday night December 15th (when nursery will be available). Both performances will be in the Sanctuary starting at 6:30 PM. You won't want to miss this, so come and bring family and friends with you!

# **MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK**

#### **DAVE AND LOIS HAAS**

"Thank you for your prayers and support that keep us serving in our retirement. During the Christmas holidays we are planning to visit our sons and most of their families as we travel to DE, MD, and MO. Dave continues to teach our adult class 4 weeks of Sundays every 3 months; his next time is Nov. 17 to Dec. 8. On the 3rd Wednesday each month he leads the Worship Singing Time at BCM's Morning of Prayer. He is on the Vesper's Planning Committee here at Calvary Homes and takes his turn both at leading Vespers and playing the piano. We give music together when scheduled. Lois is working on 2 projects given to her by BCM leadership. One is very close to her heart: the English revision of *Tiny Steps of Faith*. The other is a card ministry to encourage those who are going through difficult times. Pray that we will have ability and perseverance to accomplish the tasks the Lord has given to us. Pray we will have wisdom to know how to work within our physical limitations. Pray the Holy Spirit will accomplish His will through us and God will be glorified." If you wish to send a note of encouragement, you can email Dave and Lois at dalohaas@verizon.net.

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, pick up a copy of each week's *Missionary Moments* located at all of the Sanctuary doors and check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.



#### **SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION**

Our memory verse for November is 1 Chronicles 16:34 "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!"

## FAMILY THANKSGIVING DINNER I NOVEMBER 28 I 4 PM CHAPEL

If you're available on Thanksgiving Day, we would love to have you join us for dinner here in the Chapel at 4 PM. Because this is a family dinner, everyone is asked to contribute something. If you would like to attend, please contact Carolyn Heron at 610-803-2557 or clee.heron@gmail.com today to sign-up for what is necessary.

#### **ANGEL TREE**

There are several ways to be part of this ministry. First and most important is our prayers. Second, we need volunteers to purchase and deliver the gifts to children who have parents that are incarcerated. For those who want to participate but don't feel comfortable delivering gifts, donations to help defray expenses are an option. Please consider being part of Angel Tree this year. For more information, see Don DiBello at the table in the Narthex.

# THANKSGIVING SERVICE | NOVEMBER 27 | 7:00 PM

Invite friends, family and neighbors to join you for our Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Please note that we will not have a service on Thanksgiving morning.

#### CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS | NOVEMBER 24 - DECEMBER 15

Aldan Union will once again be displaying beautiful poinsettias this Christmas season. Place your memorials in the SPECIAL HOLIDAY FLOWER ENVELOPE in the pews. The cost is \$8.00 for each memorial name that is listed. We will accept memorials Sunday, Nov. 24—Dec. 15. The list of the memorials will be placed outside the Sanctuary doors and at the Information Center on December 22, and plants can be picked up after the 11:30 service on the 29th. Plants go to those at least 75 years old, missionaries, and the pastors and church staff.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

#### MINISTRY OF REMOTE PARKING

Those with various disabilities and mobility issues who attend our services have a greater need to be closer to the buildings. If you are able bodied, then we encourage you to remember our Ministry Of Remote Parking by taking advantage of other parking options such as the Providence Park and Municipal lots and any of the side streets. Please keep this in mind for Sundays and special events. Drop offs and pick ups are always welcome.

## **GRIEFSHARE MINISTRY**

The GriefShare Ministry provides grief recovery support to anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one. The program consists of 13 sessions. The meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month from 1-3 PM in the Lounge (next to the Library) now through May 16th, 2020. You are welcome to begin attending our group at any point. Register on-line at www.griefshare.org/groups/113685 or contact a Group Leader at griefshare@auc.org or 610-259-8010.

## CAREER CROSSROADS | TUESDAY, NOV. 26, 7:00 PM | ROOM 104

"Effective Time Management": It seems that there is never enough time in the day. But since we all get the same 24 hours, why is it that some people achieve so much more with their time than others? The answer lies in good time management. The highest achievers manage their time exceptionally well. Effective time-management techniques can improve your ability to achieve higher productivity even when time is tight and pressures are high. Time management requires an important shift in focus from activities to results. If you want to achieve results in your career search instead of just being active, join us for this enlightening session. Questions? Contact Dan Willard at wdwillard@verizon.net. Please note the date change for this meeting only due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

### **OFFICE STAFF OPENING AT AUC**

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Judy Kiker for her many years of dedicated service at Aldan Union Church. Due to her upcoming retirement in February, we are looking to fill her position of Church Secretary/Administrative Assistant.

<u>Position Summary</u>: Working with the Pastoral Staff, this team member is responsible for all office clerical responsibilities and for maintenance of the AUC website. This individual must possess strong interpersonal and writing skills, have a strong Christian testimony, be pleasant and courteous and able to interface with a broad range of personalities. This position is expected to be full time, but we will consider part-time options.

To request a complete Position Description and to submit resumes for consideration, please send an email to: office@auc.org or call the church office at 610-259-8010. If anyone knows of people outside of our congregation who might be a good fit for this position, please pass this information on to them. We would want the person filling this position to be a regular attender of our services, moving toward becoming a member.

## **MINISTRY HELP NEEDED**

**The Kindergarten Dept. in Bible School** needs someone to help oversee the department (must be a member). Contact Pastor Kevin for more information (kevin.brock@auc.org).

#### **CONNECTION TIME HELP**

Our move to a single unified Worship Service is coming this January, and along with that will be our Connection Time in the Gym. We are looking for people who want to join the team behind the scenes, preparing the coffee, tea, and snacks. If you'd like to be a part of this team, please contact Dave Peltz as soon as possible (davepeltz57@yahoo.com).

## **HELP NEEDED IN OUR PARKING LOT MINISTRY**

Do you enjoy greeting people? Do you enjoy being in the outdoors? Then please consider helping with the Parking Ministry. If interested, contact Ken Neely (610.872.7922 or kdneely @comcast.net).

### **MEN'S MINISTRY**

# MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30 AM - 7:30 AM CHAPEL

Our teacher this week is Jack Nelson. Coffee is provided.

## STUDENT MINISTRY

# AUC STUDENTS CHRISTMAS KICK-OFF | SAT. DEC. 7 | 9:30 AM -1:00 PM

Join us as the Student Ministry kicks off the Christmas season with two fun activities! In the morning we'll have our annual Santa Bowl flag football competition in Providence Park. Then we'll have lunch, and decorate the Student Ministry rooms for Christmas.

**FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF ::** Ned & Norma Cox, loving Parents **REMEMBERED BY ::** Barbara Lefferts & Bruce and Kim Cox