

We have some special treats coming up on our Wednesday evenings during Advent.
Please consider joining us!

Wednesday, November 28: "The Angels at the Manger" led by Fran Waterbury

Wednesday, December 5: "The Shepherds at the Manger" led by Roger Bailey

Wednesday, December 12: "The Three Magi"- a Christmas program by special guests from Central Baptist. We will meet in the sanctuary for this dramatic presentation.

Wednesday, December 19: No adult meal or programming. Children and youth will have a Christmas party at the Skate Inn.

The Staff-Parish Committee is pleased to announce the hiring of Cheryl Jones to fill the position of Church Treasurer. Cheryl works full time at ETSU. She has two daughters, Rose and Linnea, and has been a part of the FUMC family for the past three years.

Our annual **Christmas Shopping Day** for the church children is coming up on December 9. The kids get so excited about being able to buy gifts for their loved ones at a minimal cost! Please help us make this possible by donating any new or slightly used items to include in the sale. Please leave any items for donation in the Open Door Classroom. If you would like to get involved or have any questions, please contact Janine Berning at 534-7823.

We are still collecting donations of winter outerwear for Clare's Closet. The collection box is located in the connector.

The Early Learning Center & FUMC invite you to the
7th annual 5K Reindeer Run & Santa Stroll

Sunday, December 2

3:45 100 yard dash for children 9 & under

4:00 5K begins

This is a certified course through the Tree Streets. The course is FAST & FLAT!

www.1stchurchjc.org for more info

Register at www.runtricity.org

At our last Pantry distribution we prepared boxes of food items for 154 families. We were so delighted when the Boy Scouts from Troop #36 at First Church arrived with bags and bags of food items collected by them throughout area neighborhoods. Bill Donaldson, their Scout Master, said there were over 1300 items. This will really help with our December distribution and more. The boys were so orderly and polite and Bill and his Scouts are to be commended. Our Pantry families will benefit from all your hard work.

Thanks so much!

The Pantry Team