

## December 28, 2008

### Prayer corner

Dot Petsagourakis' daughter, Laura Wagner hospitalized due to a blood clot on her lung; Vic Maglio's mom, Dorothy, in Newton Hospital, but is doing better; Rich Ward continues to deal with health issues; Jack & Terry Hilbert's daughter-in-law, Kim, knee surgery 1/6; Those recuperating from recent medical procedures: John Haney, Cal Roman and Christine Trevorrow; Faith Weathers is dealing with some hearing issues - pray for Brian & Elaine as they seek the right treatment; Jill Ultimo's cousin, Barbara, is in Hackettstown Hospital - pray for the right decisions to be made regarding her leg; Those who are looking for work: Phil Saul, Brad Bartilson and Pastor Jack & Eva's son-in-law, John Witkowski; Those in nursing homes: Donna DiMaio's dad, Allan Konkus, Janet Dahl, Marion Froisland, Bo Myers and Krista Scherrle; Many in our church family with relatives or friends that need prayer; Nick Seidel is going to Iraq for his 3rd tour of duty, pray for Nick and Danielle; Men and Women in our Armed Forces serving our country in various parts of the world.

### Missionaries

Rob and Linda Lincoln (Wisdom for the Heart)  
John & Julie Mackay (Central America Mission)

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### Financial Report

Budgeted Need .....\$11,042.  
Offering 12/21/08.....\$10,561.  
Attendance 12/21/08. ....288

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### This Week's Activities

#### MON.

Deaconry, 7:30pm

#### WED.

Sr. High New Years Eve Lock-in at COH.

#### THURS.

### NEW YEAR'S DAY

#### SUN.

### Communion Sunday

### Coming Up

1/28 Congregational Business Meeting

1/31 Breaking Grounds Caf'e, 7-10pm

### Service Volunteers

#### First Service Nursery

Supervisor: Sara Schagelin>>Next Week: N. Placko, M. Nemeth

#### Second service nursery

>>Next week: Supervisor: E. Hayes, Assist. N. Kearney; Infants: A. Bickhardt; Toddlers: J. White; 2/3's: C. Mullen, K.Hayes, M. Weathers; 3/4's: M. Novak, E. Hayes

#### Junior church

Supervisor: M. Novak>>Next Week: M. Novak

#### Ushers

>>Next week: First Service: P. Kearney, S. Forest, G. & G. Perry, Jr.  
Second Service: B. & E. Stender, T. Ramsland, B. & J. Bodemann, W. Leak, W. Spradley

#### Trustees-

January Open/Close: Glenn Perry, T. Hester

### Events and Opportunities

#### New Adult Sunday Bible School

Classes start on January 4th...

Isaiah Part 2 -

Karen Woodcock

Ladies Bible Fellowship -

Carolyn Collins

Men's Joy Study -

Brad Bartilson

Jonah Study - Pastor Mel

#### Membership Classes...

will be held during February & March. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Free Church Family, please indicate that on the tear off of the bulletin insert and place in the offering bag. There are 8 classes that cover what we believe, our history as a denomination and as a local church as well as why it is important to be a part of a local church.

**Our Congregational Business Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 28th at 7:30pm. All members are expected to attend. Annual reports will be run off for this meeting. If you were a Committee Chairperson for 2007-2008, please submit your report to the church office at your earliest convenience.**

### For Your Information

#### Year End Giving...

We want to remind you that in order to get credit for your giving for this calendar year 2008, all checks or money MUST be placed in the offering bags today Sunday, December 28th. Mail that is postmarked no later than December 31st will be accepted for the year 2008 or it can be brought in to the office by noon Wednesday, December 31st. As we seek to finish the calendar year strong, would you pray how God might lead you in this month in your giving.

#### New Years Eve Lock-in

The Sr. High Youth Group will be going to Camp Orchard Hill for New Years Eve. Meet at the church at 7:00 pm. The cost is \$25.00. We will arrive back at the church at 8:00am on New Years Day. Please contact Pastor Steve at home or his cell phone if you are interested in going.

#### Inclement Weather...

Our plans are to have our full regular schedule each Sunday. If you are in doubt of the plans on a Sunday, when the weather is questionable, please call the church office (908)362-8979). Someone will be at the church by 7:30 am. Every attempt will be made to assure that services will run as usual even if attendance is minimal.



## REFLECTION

The Word disguised Himself by appearing in a body, that He might, as Man, transfer men to Himself, and center their senses on Himself—Athanasius

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'" From the fulness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No-one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known—John 1:14-18

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## PRELUDE

*Jesus Messiah*

## WELCOME

## INVOCATION

*Go Tell it on the Mountain  
Lord I Lift Your Name on High  
God with Us  
Jesus Messiah  
O Come Let us Adore Him*

## GOD'S FAMILY IN PRAYER

## TITHES AND OFFERINGS

\*Children exit for Junior Church

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth...but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. Matthew 6:19, 20

## SERMON

"Embrace The Light"

Pastor Jack Kroeze

John 1:14

## BENEDICTION

