KEMPTON NEW CHURCH NOTE HOME – December 14, 2023 P.O. Box 140; 583 Hawk Mountain Road; Kempton, PA 19529 • 610-756-6140 Submit notices to office secretary: society@kncs.org • www.kemptonnewchurch.org • www.kncs.org	
Fri., Dec. 15	11:00 a.m. KNCS Christmas Program. All are welcome! Students dismissed for Christmas break at the end of the program.
	7:30 p.m. Holy Supper Service. <i>Usher: Brandon Jungé</i> This service will be similar to the one we do before Easter. There will be extended readings about the birth of the Lord from the Book of Luke and from the Heavenly Doctrine.
Sat., Dec. 16	6:00 p.m. Spiral Garden (see description below)
Sun., Dec. 17	10:00 a.m. Sermon Service. Usher/Setup: George Cauffman This service will be like the second half of a Sunday School Service (lessons from the Word and the Heavenly Doctrine followed by a sermon). All are welcome to attend.
	5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tableaux in the Society Room. Ushers: Kenan Smith, Garrett Genzlinger
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Wed., Dec. 20 3:00 p.m. Christmas Storybook time at OSV
6:30 p.m. Women's Cookie Exchange (see description below)
7:30 p.m. Men's Class at OSV (Divine Providence)

Christmas Readings are available at KemptonNewChurch.org. On the home page, just click on Christmas Daily Readings, next to the star.

Usher Schedule 2024: Please look for an email from Dandridge. Contact him as soon as possible if there is an issue with the date on which you were scheduled.

The Spiral Garden: On December 16th at 6:00 p.m. you are warmly invited to participate in a Spiral Garden at the Kempton New Church. This beautiful tradition is a way to participate in an experience of moving from darkness to light with candles and beautiful music as we prepare to celebrate the Lord's coming into the world on Christmas. Please come quietly through the school entrance and leave your coats there, in time to be seated in the Society Room by 6:00 p.m. We will signal an early leaving time for families with young children. Teens and adults are welcome to stay on. Please contact either Genta or Sheila with any questions or if you would like to help with this event.

Note cards for sale - Update: Only 3 sets remaining! Hello friends, maybe you saw the pew carving (by Roger) notecards I had at the Craft sale. I sold those but I did order another set (including an 8th different carving design of the olive branch.) Let me know if you would like 7 for \$20, 8 for \$22 or an individual one for \$3. Some day we will get them all printed. I might work on smaller cards just for display purposes soon! I also have a few of a beautiful pinnacle photo remaining. Email at <u>emgenz@gmail.com</u> or text me at 781-879-7186

I have photos of all the pew carvings. What a joy to get to look through! Thanks, Eliza

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Caleb's Café Holiday Hours: Open Thursdays and Fridays, 7:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. (December $14^{th} - 16^{th}$).

We will be open the Friday and Saturday before Christmas $(22^{nd} \& 23^{rd}) 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.$

And we will be open the Friday and Saturday after Christmas $(29^{th} \& 30^{th})$ 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. We will return to normal hours the first Thursday of the new year! Happy Holidays! Caleb and Roxanne (610)662-3902

Christmas Storybook Time: Old School Village Lounge on Dec. 6th, 13th, and 20th, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Instead of the regular Ladies' Handwork, Ayisha will be reading Christmas storybooks on the Wednesdays leading up to Christmas. Boys & girls, old & young invited. Bring crafts or handwork if you wish; there will be toys to play with and paper crafts to cut & color. Hot chocolate and coffee provided; snacks welcome. *No Ladies' Handwork Dec. 27th.*

Christmas Cookie Exchange:

Women, college age and older, are invited to a Christmas Cookie Exchange on Wednesday, Dec. 20 in the society room from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Cookie Swapping begins at 7:00 p.m. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre or a bottle of wine to share. COOKIE EXCHANGE RULES

- 1. All cookies should be homemade and of the same variety.
- 2. Make 3 dozen cookies.
- 3. Make little packages of 3 cookies each. (You should have a total of
- 12 packages that have 3 cookies in each)

Any questions, please call or text Suzanne King (484-793-1451) or Leona Fritch (570-449-8221).

Address for Lark Walter: Lark is still at the Seton Manor rehab and she would love to hear from her friends at Christmas. Her address is: Lark Walter Seton Manor Nursing and Rehab 1000 Seton Manor Dr Rm 203-2 Orwigsburg, PA 17961

Thank you all so much! Maggie

Dance Night: Saturday, December 30th, at 7:00 p.m. in the society room. Matthew Genzlinger will be teaching a lesson on Tango, after which there will be a social dance. If someone already knows the basics of Tango and wishes to go to the social dance only, the lesson should be done by 7:45 p.m. Event ends at 9:00 p.m. Feel free to bring a snack to share.

Blood Drive at the Kempton Fire Co. Hall: *Wednesday, December 20th from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.* We are holding a blood drive! Blood is needed every day and doesn't take a break for the holidays. Please consider this free and thoughtful gift to give back to others! P.S. There will be pizza! Schedule your appointment by clicking the link: <u><https://donor.giveapint.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/85391></u>. Call John Moriarty (Volunteer Drive Coordinator) at 610-972-0334 for more information.