

January 2017

# NEWSLETTER



23 Church St  
Shelby, Ohio 44875

Sunday Worship 10:00 AM

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## Reflections from the Rev

Happy New Year Everyone!

Christmas has come and gone and now a new year has arrived. In celebration of the New Year, we are shortening the Newsletter for this month to give our staff a much deserved break! Did you set a New Year's resolution yet? Me either... How about something different? How about for those of us who don't make it to worship that often, we try to get to church more frequently in 2017? How about for those of us who do not give as much to the church, or to others in need we try to give more in 2017? Just some food for thought. I said we were making this month's newsletter shorter, so I had better quit typing!! May 2017 be a year of health and happiness for us all!

In service to Christ and the Church.

+ *Pastor James*

The Reverend James Robinson

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## Coming in January

### Sunday January 8th- Guest Preacher- Rev. Pam Easterday

Rev. Pam Easterday from Tiffin, Ohio will be with us on Epiphany Sunday January 8th at 10:00am. Rev. Pam will be preaching a sermon titled "What Kind of God" from Acts 10:34-43.

### Saturday January 14th- Undecorate the Church

Please come and help us take down the Advent and Christmas decorations here at the church of Saturday January 14th at 9:00am. The more hands working, the quicker it goes!

### Sunday January 29th- Congregational Annual Meeting & Potluck

On Sunday January 29th, we will have our Annual Meeting and Potluck in the hall following morning worship. Bring a dish to share! We have a few changes to the constitution to discuss. If you have a report to submit for the meeting booklet, please get those into the office **BY Sunday January 22nd!**

### Lent Devotionals

This year we will be compiling a congregational Lenten devotional booklet. We have 47 slots to fill from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday. Devotionals should be less than 250 words and have a scriptural reference, (for word space just reference the scripture, don't type it all out). If you would like to write a devotional or have a favorite you would like to submit, please see Pastor James. Devotionals are due to the church office by February 1st.

## Special Thanks

### Church Staff

Pastor James, Katie, Stephanie, Phil, and Shelli want to thank the church for the bonuses given on Christmas day. It is a pleasure for all of us to serve this congregation.

### Cliff and Darlene

We would like to thank everyone from the bottom of our hearts for all the support from our church family this past year. We appreciated all the prayers, cards, texts, visits, food and donations for Cliff's travel expenses. We are blessed to have such a caring church family.

We wish you all a happy, healthy, blessed New Year.

Love,

Cliff and Darlene

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## November Financial

### General Fund

Balance: \$4,,891.94  
Deposits: \$7,490.46  
Expenses: \$10,754.52\*\*  
(\*Reflective of Withdraw to  
Start Kitchen Fund Account)  
Earmarked: \$1,912.52  
Bills to Pay: \$0.00  
Available Balance:  
\$2,979.42

Certificate Account: \$22,000.00+  
Memorial Fund: \$12,339.00  
Trustees: \$17,000.00+  
Kitchen Fund: \$4,400.00+  
Youth Missions: \$678.99

