



A Global  
Methodist Church

## SNYDER'S CHURCH

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*"To make disciples of Jesus Christ who  
Worship passionately, Love extravagantly,  
and Witness boldly"*

**The Bible: IS The Word Of God – Jesus: IS The Only Way To Salvation**  
**Prayer: IS Essential – Evangelism: IS Our Mission**

December 2025

Dear Snyder's Church Family and Friends,

### **An Attitude of Sacrifice**

Jesus is the model of sacrifice. He was certainly no one's doormat, but yet, he was hated, excluded and called evil. Through it all he was God—controlled and not self—controlled.

When I think of making sacrifices I also think of E. Stanley Jones, perhaps United Methodism's most famous foreign missionary. He authored over a dozen books and converted hundreds of Hindus in India to Christianity. He is the only person of which I am aware who was voted in abstentia to become a bishop. When he received the news, he turned it down. One day E. Stanley Jones came to Emory University and spoke to a Systematic Theology class. One of the students asked him why he turned down the episcopacy. He laughingly replied that if he became a bishop he would have to retire at age 70. "I am now 82," he said, "and I am still going strong."

Then someone asked him: what do you think of the Beatitudes? Several students picked up their pens expecting something profound and they got it. Here's what he said: "At first sight, you felt they turned everything upside down. At second sight, you understand that they turn everything right side up. The first time you read them they are impossible. The second time you read them, nothing else is possible. The beatitudes are not a chart for Christian duty. They are a charter for Christian liberty."

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**To Snyder's Church Family and Friends,**

I know that the month of October was very busy. But I want to thank everyone that helped with the Apple Dumpings, a Very Big Thank You! The donations of Apples - 4 Bushels, brown sugar, flour, butter, cinnamon and Crisco. It was all donated to us. And also monetary gifts with all of this, it paid for just about all our expenses. And that was a Wonderful Gift! God is Good! With our inside and outside orders we profited \$921 which was GREAT!

Now our Holiday Bazaar, we couldn't have asked for all the help to make this 2025 year to happen. We had new people that came to me to help and I had asked Sherry to come forward for Darryl's position to help. And without a doubt, she said yes. Anything for Darryl! Our Silent Auction was a big hit, all the food and deserts were wonderful and also the White Elephant table too. I had 2 of my friends that came forward to help with the apple dumpings and kitchen help. That's what all churches are all about, reaching out for others. Our total for the Bazaar with the Apple Dumping profit was \$4,400. Thanks to our church family. ☺

**Ladies Aide President**

**Bev Zeigler**



**2026 TITHE AND OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE** and are being passed out by Sandy Graeff. Remember that we count on the faithful and generous giving of our entire church family at Snyder's to help us meet all of our obligations. Enclosed with this issue of the newsletter you will find a copy of the 2026 Budget prepared by the Finance Committee and adopted by the Church Council, along with a copy of the officers of Snyder's Church for 2026 and beyond. We are blessed and appreciate the faithfulness of all our church family.

**IT'S FREE FOR THE TAKING!** Not many offers like this these days. But Bill is really "down-sizing" his library and is willing to give away free all the books you might like to take. Also there are VCR tapes and Cassette music tapes. [everything except the Charlie Brown collection of items!]. There are secular books by Bill O'Reilly, Glenn Beck, Mike Huckabee and many many other authors. The religious section includes great reading material, study books, collection by Billy Graham and so many more. Just speak to Bill and we will schedule a time and you just bring your boxes and load it up and take it away – this will be a big help and will save our daughters a lot of time/effort/work at some future time!

**16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL DRIVE THRU LIVE NATIVITY** sponsored by Young's Church with members from Shermans Dale and Mt. Gilead helping. Admission is free for the Live Nativity and you can witness a new scene and a new theme. Thursday and Friday December 11 and 12<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 8 pm.

**GAME NIGHT 2026** is planned for Saturday January 17<sup>th</sup> as a Potluck theme and on February 21<sup>st</sup> will be the annual Chili Cook-off. Eating at 4 pm and games at 5 pm. Bring your sequence boards for a tournament and your favorite game night food to share. Please bring games for the little ones. A great opportunity to invite a friend.

**LADIES CHRISTMAS EVENT** – On Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup> will be a very special virtual event to begin our celebration of the Savior's Birth. Starting at 9:15 AM with Breakfast followed by a video presentation of "Prepare Him Room" by Kelly Minter. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Perry County Food Bank if you are able. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Diana needs to count for the breakfast. Invite your friends to attend also. Questions, speak to Diana. The video cost is being paid for by the church.

**REPORT ON THE OCC SHOE BOX COLLECTION THIS YEAR** shows that at Snyder's Church we collected a total of 71 boxes plus the shipping costs and an additional \$350 was donated to Samaritan's Purse. A special thank you to the entire church family and to Sandy Graeff, Bev Zeigler and Linda Morrow that participated in the pre OCC workshops this year.

**SCRIPTURE AND SERMON SERIES JANUARY – JUNE 2026** will be prepared beginning December 8<sup>th</sup> and completed by December 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have favorite hymns you would like included write them down and give the information to Bill for consideration. Thank-you.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR THE PERRY COUNTY NURSING HOMES** – Instead of exchanging Christmas cards with the church family we are asking once again that we provide Christmas cards for the 3 nursing homes in Perry County. Bring those cards between now and December 7<sup>th</sup> and then that week they will be delivered. There are 3 bins in the Narthex marked Transitions/Kinkora; Stonebridge; Perry Village. Sign each card with your name and under it Snyder's Church please. On the envelope write resident. Last year there were 100 residents at Transitions/Kinkora; 59 at Stonebridge and 89 at Perry Village. These cards are greatly appreciated as many of the residents otherwise would receive no cards during the Holiday season. Bless you for your generosity once again.

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND LUNCHEON** is Sunday December 21<sup>st</sup> as we celebrate Jesus' birth. After the Service we will have our Covered dish luncheon [drink and place settings provided]. Just bring your favorite dish, side dish or dessert to share. Invite someone to join with us on this great day of celebration.

**CHRISTMAS EVE CAROL & CANDLELIGHT SERVICE** on December 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Bill will lead the Service this year and we will conclude with our candles lighted and singing Silent Night. This is always a beautiful Service and we encourage the entire church family to attend and invite others to come. The Service lasts about one hour so there is plenty of time for the small children to get home and to bed. Plan to celebrate with us the wonderful birth of Jesus.

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**BUDGET 2026**

**General/Conference Ministry**

Northeast Annual Conference	\$	1773.00	
Global Methodist Church	\$	591.00	
Total			\$ 2,364.00

**Local Church Obligations**

Pastor's Salary	\$13,650.00	
Social Security Assistance	\$ 1,045.00	
Housing Allowance	\$ 4,200.00	
Insurance Support	\$ 7,800.00	
Travel Support	\$ 2,400.00	
Books/Supplies	\$ 555.00	
Total		\$ 29,650.00

Worship And Music	\$ 500.00	
Sunday School	\$ 800.00	
Vacation Bible School	\$ 500.00	
Bible Studies	\$ 300.00	
Total		\$ 2,100.00

Electric	\$ 8,500.00	
Telephone	\$ 2,000.00	
Custodian	\$ 3,500.00	
Grounds Keeper	\$ 3,000.00	
Maintenance/Garbage Removal	\$ 1,000.00	
Office Expense/Supplies	\$ 1,600.00	
Property & Casualty Insurance	\$ 6,100.00	
Total		\$ 25,700.00

<b><u>Youth Assistant Salary</u></b>	\$ 5,500.00	
Total		\$ 5,500.00

<b><u>Total Budget and Youth Support</u></b>	\$ 65,314.00
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<b><u>Weekly Needed Total Budget</u></b>	\$ 1,256.00
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**SNYDER'S CHURCH**  
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**OFFICERS 2026**

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Sharon Graham	Chair, Lay Leader, Conference Delegate
Wayne Perkins	Chair, Trustees
George Stuck, Jr.	Chair, Pastor-Parish Relations Committee
Darryl Graham, Gary Dunn	Co-Chair, Finance Committee
Barbara Perkins	Treasurer
Sandra Graeff	Financial Secretary
Diana Payne	Church School Superintendent
Kay Anderson/Linda Morrow	Co-Secretary Church Council
Lisa Stuck	Church Secretary, Membership Secretary
Bev Zeigler	Chair Worship Committee, Ladies Aide President
Barbara Perkins	Chair, Missions Committee
Pastor Jeff Brewster	Assistant Pastor

**COMMITTEES**

**TRUSTEES**

Gary Dunn, Vice-Chair  
Tom Weldon, Bev Zeigler  
Wayne Perkins, Chair; Dwayne Beaston

Class of 2027  
Class of 2028  
Class of 2026

**PASTOR-PARISH RELATIONS**

George Stuck, Jr. Chair  
Sue Reisinger  
Kay Anderson; Sharon Graham

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Bill Pipp, Chair**

Class of 2027	Kay Anderson, Bonnie Sanno
Class of 2028	Darryl Graham, Dan Payne
Class of 2026	Linda Morrow

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

Bev Zeigler, Chair. Diana Payne,  
George & Lisa Stuck, Sharon Graham,

**EDUCATION AND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Diana Payne, Superintendent, Sue Reisinger  
All Sunday School Teachers

**MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

Barbara Perkins, Chair; Linda Pipp,  
Sharon Graham, Sandy Graeff

**PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT**

Sue Reisinger

**COMMUNICATIONS TEAM**

George & Lisa Stuck

**SAFE SANCTUARIES COMMITTEE**

Sharon Graham, Diana Payne

**CHURCH HISTORIAN**

Gary Dunn

**"A New Church For A New Day!"**