

# Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community



## From The Community Lay Director

What a year! If you had told me in February that this virus would still be an issue in December, I'm not sure I would have believed you. Even though we see a light at the end of the tunnel, it's still a long tunnel and the light is very faint. It seems we need a bright light right now.

Oh wait – I know just where we can find one. In Matthew 2:2 when Jesus was born the wise men were seeking him and were following the bright star in the east. Now that's a bright light.

In Luke 2:9 while shepherds were keeping watch over their flocks by night they were visited by an angel of the Lord. The glory of the Lord shone around them and they were so afraid. They were bringing the good news of Jesus' birth.

We celebrate the birth of Jesus every year to reflect on the promise and the hope of a bright future that is waiting for us. All we need to do is seek Him. So during this Christmas season may we search for that bright light and know that God will decide the result and he will never forsake us.

Have a wonderful Christmas and embrace the fact that this year may be a little different than normal. With God's blessing, we will be back to "normal" next Christmas and looking at 2020 in the rearview mirror.

Merry Christmas everyone!  
**Peggy Richards**, Community Lay Director

## From The Community Spiritual Director

"They will call him Immanuel" (which means, God with us). Matthew 1:23. What could possibly be better than God with us? The only thing I can think of is God in us. Which is exactly what happens when we receive his Holy Spirit. In these difficult times remember that his Spirit lives within us which gives us wisdom, grace, forgiveness, and whatever else we need.

Merry Christmas and live as his children (1 John 3:1-3).

Love you all!  
**Bill Henry**, Community Spiritual Director

# The December Gathering has been cancelled!