
Church Visitor



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Christmas Eve Service

(even if it snows)

7:00 p.m.

11:00 p.m.

Casual dress.

Bring your family and friends.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING SUNDAY DECEMBER 27th

There will be a brief special board meeting this Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The purpose is to approve the 2010 budget so it can be presented to the congregation, and to approve the minister's housing allowances. All Board members are asked to attend.



No Visitor the week of Dec 29th

...According to John

I am writing this article on Tuesday, December 22, with the hope that we will mail *the Church Visitor* tomorrow and you will receive it by Christmas Eve day. Remember that we will have two services, one at 7:00 p.m. and one at 11:00 p.m. I hope you will be able to attend.

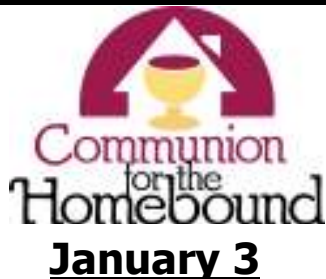
Looking ahead to 2010, I am going to teach (or lead) two classes. One will be Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour at 9:00 a.m. It is entitled "**The Bible for Beginners**" and will be held in the conference room. This class is for people new to the faith/church experience or people who are long time participants but are still nervous about looking up Bible verses and talking about books in the Bible. These classes will begin on January 10th and will meet for six weeks. Certainly this class is for those who are not currently involved in Sunday School AND for those who are....it will only be a 6 week hiatus from your regular class.

The second class will meet in the Central Cinema room beginning on Monday, January 18th at 6:30 p.m. We will discuss John Dominic Crossan's DVD "**Victory and Peace or Justice and Peace? A Living the Questions** study. At the first meeting we will discuss dates and times of future meetings. There will be a minimum of four 2 hour sessions.

John Dominic Crossan is a preeminent historical Jesus scholar and is the author of 20 books on the historical Jesus. The discussions should be lively, challenging, enlightening and fun.

You will be receiving more information about these classes. I just wanted to give you a little advance notice.

Have and joyful and blessed Christmas,



ELDERS

Willa Jo Fowler
Gail Novak
Denny Krick
David Dell
Jim Cox
Sue Dell
Worth Bracher
Joyce Greenhaw

DEACONS

Paul Wagner
Trigg Snyder
Kent Beaty
Linda Ridgeway
Lana Ellis
Irene Green
Lois Tilley
Jan Newkirk

SUNDAY'S STATISTICS

December 20, 2009

Saturday Service of Communion.	6
8am Chapel Service.	37
Sanctuary Worship	207
R&R	62

VAN DRIVER SCHEDULE

December 27, Brian Meyer
January 3, Bret Whinery
January 10, Mack Allison

Current Lectionary

Sunday, December 27, 2009
First Sunday after Christmas

Readings:

1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26
Psalm 148
Colossians 3:12-17
Luke 2:41-52

Color: White



Our congregation is continuing to pray for other churches in our area. This week we have been asked to pray for **Church of the Covenant, Enid**. Please keep them in your prayers this week.

Diaconate Schedule

December 27—Team 2

January 3—Team 2

January 10—Team 3

Homebound Communion **January 3**

EARLY SERVICE DEACONS:

Dec 27—C.E & Georgie Haltom

Jan 3—C.E & Georgie Haltom

Jan 10—Glenn & Linda Crabbs

Warm mittens, gloves, and coats are still needed for the Warmth Project!!

Please continue to bring in your used ink cartridges, we need 30 a month to recycle.

R&R Speakers

December 27—Video Presentation

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~ Sunday ~ December 27, 2009 ~

Chapel Worship.	8:00am
Sermon "Bear With One Another"	Rev. John McLemore
Scripture	Colossians 3: 12-21
Sunday School	9:00am
Sanctuary Worship	10:15am
R&R in the Chapel	10:15am

Elders: 8:00am —Phil Adams; 10:15am—Joyce Greenhaw, Janet Jones

Those who gave to the Giant Christmas Card in lieu of sending Christmas cards, are listed below. The money will go to the Food 4 Kids Backpack program.

Madge & Bud Loomis
 Glenn & Linda Crabbs
 David & Kathy Eck
 Jason, Jill & Logan Stuever
 Karen Foster
 Terry & Beth Henneke
 Mary Ruth Cooper
 Bob & Joyce Greenhaw
 Worth & Dorothy Bracher
 Maribel Moore
 Rob & Barb Lund
 Tom & Janice Stout
 Sam & Sandra Justice
 Deanna Bunch
 Frank & Vera Sue Bunch
 Monty & Karen Moore
 Don & Tary Davis Johnson
 Mike & Lana Ellis
 The McLemore's
 Phil & Jane Adams
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 Connie Conrady
 Beryl Bigger

Virginia Wheeler
 Kyle & Nancy Hohman
 Beverly & Bill Brant
 Jean Long
 Ivan Winters
 Betty Owens
 Imogene Price
 JoAnn Patrizi
 Bea Simpson
 Don & Barbara Angle
 David, Sue & Chris Dell
 Wanda Hyland
 Deloras Oringderff
 Maxine Bassett
 Jack & LeAnn Wheat
 Jan Newkirk
 Carolyn Kurz
 Don Moore
 Willo Clark
 Sally Keeler
 Calvin & Cyrilla Mettee
 Bernice Crandale
 Irene Green

Because of the Holidays, it's necessary once again to get our reservations in early for the Jan 6, 2010 CWF Luncheon. The program is *PMS* and it's not what you think!

Please come and be pleasantly surprised! Here's a hint: pizza, movies and sundaes. **Reservations must be in by Wed. December 30 at 4pm!**

CWF

Names of those who helped with the Horn of Plenty and did not get their names on the insert were:

Given By:

Sally Keeler Calvin & Cyrilla Mettee
 Lisa Donaldson Gail Novak

Given By: In Memory of:

Phyllis May Myron May



*Memorial
 Established
 Marvin May
 Sammy Allison,
 mother of Mack
 Allison*



Coffee Stains

The following is a joke I found on the internet. It's a good story that in some ways really makes you think.

The pastor was looking over the church the day after Christmas when he noticed that the baby Jesus was missing. He went outside and saw a little boy pulling a new red wagon. In the wagon was Jesus.

He walked up to the boy and said, "Hi, there. Where did you get the baby Jesus?"

The boy answered honestly, "In the church."

"Why did you take him?" the pastor asked.

"Well," said the boy, "I prayed to the Lord Jesus and asked him for a wagon for Christmas. I told Him that if He gave me one, I'd take Him for a ride in it."

Now sometimes I get bogged down in the balancing of check books and the juggling of gifts. But this story reminds me of how beautiful Christmas can be. Where a boy asks for his hearts desire and somehow that prayer gets answered. I pray the baby Jesus is glorified in your Christmas this year and that you have the chance to show off Christ in your "new wagon." Peace, jw.



The Youth delivered our green bags to the Horn of Plenty Dec. 20 and got a tour of the facility.



ACOLYTES – December 27
 Brent, Alex
 (Substitute – Sierra)
TEACHERS—December 27
 Art, 3rd & 4th, Tammy
 Story, 5th, Sally
 Science, 1st & 2nd, Carolyn
KIDS TIME – December 27
 Sally, Sierra, Holly, Macy, Kinsey

Please lift up the following concerns in your prayers:
 .**Larry Richey—Moving to a nursing home east of Tulsa
 **Ann Herndon—surgery (cancer) in OKC.
 **John Stephens (Lana Ellis' brother)—health issues.
 **Tina Swanson—recovering at home from elbow surgery.
 **Harry Congdon—health issues. Recently returned from M.D. Anderson
 **Trebtor Fisher—(Ron & Inez Fisher's grandson) battling cancer & Pneumonia
 **KACY WALLACE—Recovering from surgery.
 **ANNABEL NEIMAN—(Chester Ross' sister) lung cancer.
 **JOHN HASTINGS—(Wyatt Groves' stepdad) Serious hand injury.
 **FIG & BARBARA NEWTON'S COUSIN—JOE GREENING in Wichita passed away Dec. 18
 **MACK ALLISON'S MOTHER—SAMMY ALLISON in Muleshoe, TX, who passed away Dec. 22.
 **BRUCE IRWIN— Sonya Waldrip's uncle & Lee AnnWheat's cousin who passed away Dec.16 in Bentonville, AR.
 **THE FAMILY OF MARVIN MAY—who died late last week, and funeral was Dec. 21.
 **CLINT HINOTE'S UNCLE—passed away in Alabama. Prayers for his family.

Share your love with those Hospitalized

ST MARY'S	Shera Shirley 578 Ella Fearnow (Bertie Krausse's sister) 501
BASS	Esther Grimes 239 Wendell Welker 219

Share your love with those in Skilled Nursing

Skilled Nursing	Maxine Bassett
Golden Oaks	Keith Johnson
Skilled Nursing	Bob O'Brien 118
Methodist Home	Twyla Tefft 203
Skilled Nursing	
Greenbriar	Abe Preston 91

Sunday, December 27
 8:00—Chapel Service
 9:00—Sunday School
 9:00—Children's Christmas Party
 10:15—Sanctuary Worship
 10:15—R&R in the Chapel
 3:30—NO Youth

Monday, December 28
 12:00—Noon Prayer Service

Wednesday, December 30
 5:00—Youth leave for Mystery Trip
 6:00—Adult Bell Choir
 6:30—NO Choir
 6:30—NO Youth Group

Thursday, December 31
New Years Eve
 5:00—Youth return from Mystery Trip

Friday, January 1
New Years Day
 Office closed

Saturday, January 2
 5:30—Saturday Service of Communion

Sunday, January 3
 8:00—Chapel Service
 9:00—Sunday School
 9:00—Children's Christmas Party
 10:15—Sanctuary Worship
 10:15—R&R in the Chapel
 3:30—ChiRho
 5:30—CYF

Monday, January 4
 6:00—Guild Dinner

Tuesday, January 5
 12:00—Noon Bible Study
 5:00—Caregivers

Wednesday, January 6
 9:30—CWF Lesson Leaders
 10:30—CWF Executive Committee
 12:00—CWF Luncheon
 6:00—Adult Bell Choir
 6:30—Choir
 6:30—Youth Group