

Sunday, November 26, 2017 – Christ the King Sunday

Poinsettia sign-up — I know we just got over Reformation and haven't gotten to Thanksgiving yet but please sign up for Christmas Poinsettia's. Deadline is Dec. 3rd. \$13 same as last year. Forms are on board in the fellowship hall. Thank you all. Mary

Nominations for Pastoral Call

The Call Committee is currently accepting nominations for candidates for the pastoral call. Forms may be picked up in the church office. Nominations are due by Sunday, December 3, 2017. Please place forms in the Church Secretary's mailbox.

Call Committee Members: Tim Nelson, Judy Meisinger, Stephanie Guelzow, Ben Montgomery, Laura Nelson, Kerstin Walker, Claudia Essbach, Gregg Vogelsmeier; Rose Crafton, and Karl Hastings. Please pray and encourage one another as our congregation searches for a shepherd.

Cancer Ministry Update

Next Prayer Event – Sunday, December 10 at 5:00pm. If you want to be a part of this ministry please contact the church office.

Advent Worship and Meals

All meals begin at 5:30pm – Service begins at 7:00pm
Menus TBD by the group responsible.

12/6 Advent - served by Board of Elders
12/13 Advent - served by School parents (fund raiser)
12/20 Advent - served by Board of Directors

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study is studying "God is in the Laundry Room" - 8 sessions about seeking God. We meet in the Music Room and begin at 10:00 a.m. with coffee. All ladies are invited to join in the study of God's Word. On the 4th Tuesday of every month there bring a sack lunch for Games Day after class! Call Dot Cleary at (336) 767-4116 with any questions.

The Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. in room 101 (Extended Care Room). All are welcome to join in to study Beth Moore's "Entrusted", a study of 2 Timothy. They will be viewing the videos that go along with the study. Any questions, please contact Kathleen Sawicki at @kb-promotions.net or #336-744-5733

Thursday Evening Bible Study resumed on September 28 at 7 p.m. in the Science Classroom. The study will be That the World May Know, by Ray Vander Laan, emphasizing the faith lessons on the Prophets and Kings of Israel. You may park at the lower end of the parking lot and enter through the outside door of the 7th grade classroom. Contact Bill Thorpe at wthorpe@triad.rr.com with any questions.

Crisis Control for November: Cooking Oil. The collection basket is in the Narthex.

Altar Flowers Today are given to the Glory of God in celebration of our 20th anniversary by Morris and Rose Crafton.

Correction — Altar Flowers for Sunday, November 12 were given to the glory of God by Dale and Alice Mierisch in honor of Alice's birthday.



Today, 11/26

8:30 a.m. "The Well" with Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
4:00 p.m. Well Rehearsal

Tuesday, 11/28

10:00 a.m. – Senior Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, 11/29

8:30am – K-2 Christmas Program
Noon – Bulletin & News Deadline
5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry dinner
6:00 p.m. – Hispanic Tutoring
7:15 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

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Music Notes: Actively looking for new members for the Adult Choir! Rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7:15. The Sunday morning schedule is a bit complicated. Group I meets at 9:00 for warmup and touchup. These singers then go to Sunday School. Group II, the non-Sunday School singers, meets at 10:00 and has the same warmup and touchup. At 10:25, the two groups meet in the Chancel and run the anthem. I'm looking forward to an exciting year! *Frances*



This ministry could not happen without the support of our awesome volunteer tutors! Please join us in being the "hands and feet" of Jesus to our neighbors! Come one Wednesday a month or as often as you like! **You do not need to speak Spanish to participate!!**

Please let us know if you would like to join us or if you have any questions, contact Kris Gartley, Kathleen Sawicki or Cheryl Wulfert. Hope to see you there!

Prayer Shawl Ministry Opportunities

St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry invites ALL members to make OR give OR request a *Prayer Shawl* or *lap-afghan* for a friend, family member, co-worker or acquaintance in need of a tangible reminder that they are loved by God and "wrapped" in prayer for divine healing, comfort, hope and strength. **There is no cost for the shawl.** If you'd like to make a shawl, lap-afghan or tags, or know someone who you'd like to receive one, please contact Ann Carney (336-602-1232) or Katie Goad (336-924-6977).

Ushers Needed Volunteers are needed to usher on Sundays at the 10:45 services. It's a very easy job. You get to greet members and visitors at worship. Please contact Arden Lackey (336-723-3270) or Holly Wilson (410-245-8680) if you are willing to assist. Thank you.

Ways to support the school:

Upcoming Spirit Nights:

Wednesday, November 29,
11am-11pm at Buffalo Wild Wings

Tuesday, December 5,
5:00pm – 8:00pm at Dairi-O's – Peters Creek Pkwy.

Wednesday, December 27,
11:00am – 11:00pm at Buffalo Wild Wings

Shine Time Car Wash on Hanes Mall Blvd by Hobby Lobby will give the school 20% of each sale when you punch in the fundraising code of #2929.

Link your Harris Teeter VIC card - #2929

Link your Lowes Foods card to our school. You can now link your Lowes Foods card to St John's and the school gets a portion of your purchases of Lowes private label items. You can link up to 3 schools. <https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass> to sign up. Thanks so much from the PTO!



Happy Birthday to:

11/27 Stephanie Black
11/28 Sean Gartley
11/29 Kay Bowman
11/30 Frank Longman

Intercessory Prayer Warriors: A group of people led by Katie Goad meets weekly from 9:30 – 10:00 on Thursday mornings to pray collectively for our St. John's Family. All church members are invited to meet in the Sanctuary during this half hour to pray for our congregation.

The Telephone Prayer Chain is another prayer opportunity. Please call Dot Cleary (336-767-4116) or Martha Tegeler (336-774-6772) if you would like to receive or be a part of this service. You may also call with prayer requests.



St. John's Prayer Needs

Prayer requests can be emailed to Dale Mierisch at wb9szl@triad.rr.com.

We pray for St. John's congregation and school!

Pastor Thomas Clocker
Principal Mark Edmiston
Director of Admissions Tom Baldwin
Our called workers and staff
Frances Burnmeister
Michael Zeoli

Board of Directors
Board of Elders
Hispanic Tutoring

Our Board of Directors: Tim Nelson Chairman; Adam Orsborn, Vice-Chair; Nathan Kottlowski, Secretary; Judy Meisinger, Education; Jeff Goad, Finances & Facilities

We remember those who are shut in:

Harry Armstrong, Frances Chambers, Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, Kay Moose, Marilyn Sagehorn, MillieTetzlaff

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Deedee Bement (Brendyn Gronewoller's mother-in-law), Joel Christiansen, Jack Fordham, Katie Goad, Rod Gorham, Eva Hammacker (Donna Gronewoller's mother), Bob Hoisington, Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Mason Lankford (22-month-old child known by Meg Lorenz), Jerry Linder, Bill Lonnecker (friend of the Essbachs), Dave Lundmark, Laura McNeil (friend of Dale & Alice Mierisch), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapiet, Deb Schoolcraft, Mike Timms (Rich Essbach's nephew), Arline Urban

For those undergoing/recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:

Clare Adamick, Tom Baldwin, John Bredenberg, James Covington, RJ Hamby (Joan Happel's son-in-law), David Henderson (Gary & Nancy Brake's nephew & Stephanie, Hannah, Maddie & Abby Kiel's cousin), Justin Riley (Carl Schlotzauer's grandson), Michael Riley (Anita & Bob Hoisington's nephew), Jacki Rullman, Katie Stevens (Debbie Baronowski's daughter), Whytonia (friend of the Shannon's), Natalie Zitzelsberger (Dale & Alice Mierisch's granddaughter)

For those serving in our armed forces; for continued safety and extra comfort if serving away from home:

Dallas Darcy, Loren Jacobi, Branden Lackey, Dylan McArthur-Reed, Andrew Nelson, Tegan Owen, Natasha Peting, Allie Petty, Brad Rullman, Jon Tessmann, Kevin Wilson, Steve Young

For those who mourn: Don Henderson and family on the death of his brother, Jeffrey Henderson.

Fran Johnson on the death of her husband, Jim Johnson.

Jenelle Lanham on the death of her grandmother, Bettie Stansberry.

Family and loved ones of Marlene Ochs, called to glory on November 13, 2017.

Persecution Prayer:

The emigration of Christians from the Middle East is part of a complex and diverse topic. One motivation for leaving is the intense persecution, especially for those who convert from Muslim backgrounds. While religious demographics are always problematic, the general trend has been a decline in the Christian population since WWII. There is an unfortunate outcome of this

emigration. Two independent studies suggest that of those who go to the West to escape intense persecution, approximately 90% stop practising their Christian faith within five to ten years of arrival. There are many reasons this occurs, mostly related to cultural differences. Pray for our brothers and sisters in faith - that they retain their faith even as they gain their freedom. Pray that there are churches that address their needs and show Christian love to them as they adjust to unfamiliar circumstances.

For more information see the article entitled "15 Specific Prayers for God's Work in Iraq" which is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Elder Assignments

Member/families

Bob Burke -----Adamick – Braun (A-Bra)
Steve Anderson-----Bredenberg – Deranamie (Bre-Der)
Rich Essbach -----Dongre – Gartley (Do-Ga)
Rich Essbach -----Genevie – Henderson (Ge-Hen)
Larry Bowman-----Hepner –Kinsman (Hep-Kin)
Dave Lundmark -----Koontz – Lorenz (Ko-Lor)
Mark Meier -----Lovejoy – Patterson (Lov-Pa)
Mark Meier -----Pegram – Roggenkamp (Pe-Rog)
Dale Mierisch -----Rosenberger – Strahm (Ros-Str)
Rob Schwabe-----Swenson – ZumMallen (Sw-Z)

Participation November 19, 2017

8:30	79
10:45 am	105
Nursery	3

A Great Place to Grow in Christ

As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8th grade. All programs/grades have full-time care available.

Pastor Thomas Clocker, 301-732-9203,

revclocker@gmail.com

Mark Edmiston, Principal

Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and Community Relations

Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool

Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for

Contemporary Worship

Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for Traditional Worship

Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday,
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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