



Come Celebrate!

We know things are different, and we know a lot of holiday traditions will have to be put aside this year. But not this. Not our Christmas Eve Service.

Will it be a bit different? Yes.

Will it be outside? Yes. But will it still hold the same meaning as it always has? Yes...if you let it.

If there's one thing we all should have learned from the past nine months, it is that we should appreciate all of the little things that are so easily taken for granted. A hug from a friend. An impromptu visit from a neighbor. Shaking someone's hand. Having guests over. Sitting on Santa's lap. And...traditional Church services. But, this can not stop us from celebrating together, It can not stop us from loving and caring for each other.

CHRISTMAS EVE

Candlelight

(THU) DEC. 24 SERVICES
6PM

Join us for a lovely evening of carols, candlelight, and joyful reflection on the birth of our savior.

So many have found ways to reach out, to take a moment and let someone know they are still thought about and loved. One of my favorite examples of this is Tiffany Thornton's tradition with her two kids. Every year they do a "Random Acts of Kindness (RAOK) Countdown to Christmas". Each day they do a kind gesture for someone. It could be one of several things that person receives. They make treats, give out cards, tape candy canes to ATM machines or gas pumps,. It's very simple acts really...to some. But to those receiving it, it could be the lifeline they

needed to get through a tough time. A gift that made them realize that there is still a lot of good and kindness in the world.

I'm sure this year they have had to be a little more cautious, did things a bit different. But...they still continued the tradition.

We hope you join us this year as we continue our tradition of a Christmas Eve service, It may not be the same as the past services, but does that really matter? We will be able to come together as one family, and once again celebrate the holiest of night, the birth of our Savior.

ATTENTION

ALL Elders

and Deacons:

One person is needed for each Drive Up service for the month of January. Please call the office to let us know if you are interested in serving at the 8:00 or the 10:30 service.





January Birthdays and Anniversaries

Left off of December
Dec.23 Amanda McCord

Jan 1- Christy Coslet
Anne Rea
2- Amber VanDayke
3- Don Kennedy
4- Jared Amary
5- Emily Ward
7- Larry Phillips
Larry Wright
8- Jim Jackson
9- Doris Ash
10- Tim Clemens
11- Michelle Alspach
12- Sandra Miller
12- Karla Seigfreid

13- Tom Phillips
Owen Schroeder
Doug Swinger
16- Kathryn Jones
19- Darlene Arnett
Brad Richards
Charlot Thornton
20- Jessica Parker
21- Alexia Bowlen
Megan Phillips
22- Roger Barnes
Adrienne Layton
24- Vince Buck
Madelyn Cox
25- Judy Frerking
25- Parilee Jackson
27- Jonathan Alspach

30- Linda Clark
Jeff Kreisel
George Pointer
31- Missie Kreisel

Anniversaries

12-23
Dale & Lois Pontius
Tom & Donna Bailey
Jan 2- Chris & Lori Layton
20- Jim & Sue Ann Crawford
21- Richard & Lois Mencl
28- Butch & Doris Ash

Dec. 20- Willie Harlow
Dec. 27- Rev. Randal DeMasters
Jan. 3- Rev. James Richards
Jan. 10- Rev. James Richards
Jan. 17- TBA
Jan. 24- TBA



Is it with great sadness that we share the news of Roy Hinton's passing. Roy passed away on December 15 at The Living Center. Graveside services with military rites will be held at 11:30 a.m. Monday, December 21, 2020, at Ridge Park Cemetery in Marshall, with William W. Harlow. Friends may call Monday after 8:00 a.m. at Campbell-Lewis Funeral Home in Marshall.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Christian Church or The Living Center Memory Care Unit.



The December Board Meeting will be December 9 at 6:00 PM via Zoom. The meeting ID is 870 5137 2179. The passcode is 770612. Please contact the Church office if you have any questions on how to attend.

There will be a congregational after both services on January 3rd to approve the 2021 Church budget. Members are encouraged to remain in the parking lot to vote.



The Church office will be closed December 24-25, December 31 and January. Hope will be on vacation December 28-30, but can be reached at 660-229-0755 in case of an emergency. Carol will be available for phone calls during these three days.





Tid Bits...



Thank you to everyone who helped make the chili supper and auction a success! Whether you worked at the supper or auction, made brownies, donated supplies, or bid on the auction items, we really appreciate you. We don't have official numbers yet, but it looks like we might've made around \$7000. That's fantastic - especially considering the circumstances. People were so generous with their donations and their time. We will help a lot of people in our community, and we had fun!



Let's give a great big Thank

You to the families who signed up to ring the Salvation Army Bell- Linda Crews, Tiffany, Charlot and Conner Thornton, Vince and Azlynn Buck, Mark and Diane Harvey, Ed Baker and Alisa Smith. We appreciate all you do for the Church.

Thank you for the Poinsettia that was delivered to me from my Church. It was a nice surprise. And thank you for all of the many cards I have received.



Harold Stoll



We will once again be delivering meals to anyone who would like a home cooked Christmas dinner. A heartfelt thank you to all who are preparing this meal, which will be delivered December 23rd. Even apart...we are still together. Merry Christmas!

TITHES/OFFERINGS

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE _____ EMAIL _____
 MEMBER VISITOR

\$ _____ CASH
 \$ _____ CHECK

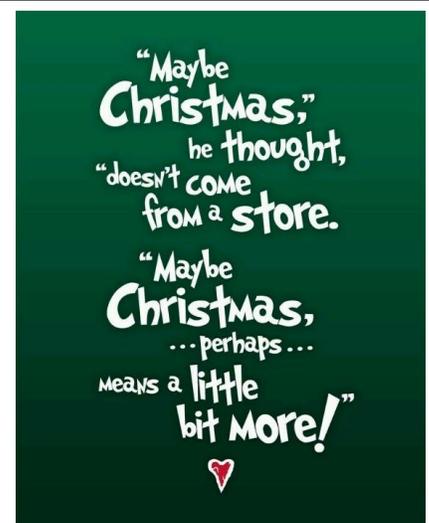
"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your bag. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38

The Tithes/Offering envelopes are in and can be picked up at Church. They will be available each Sunday as you drive through for service, or call the Church during the week and set up a time to come in. By request, they can also be mailed to you. Thank you for your continued support of the Church.

Beginning January 2021, we will no longer be bulk mailing our newsletter. It will be available online or at Church. If you would like to continue having a hard copy mailed to you, or emailed, please contact the office.



Thank you Ginger McGraw, and her many elves, for supporting our Church's efforts to give back to the community, and making the Chili Supper and Silent Auction the success that it is.



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