

## December

Dec 23 Elders/Deacons meeting after evening services

Dec 24 Seven @ Seven

Dec 26 No Ladies Bible Class

Dec 31 Seven @ Seven

Dec 31 New Years Eve Party in the Fellowship Room at 6:00 p.m.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

## NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

There will be a New Years Eve Party December 31 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room. Please bring games and snacks to share. Let's ring in the new year together!

## TIME

Imagine there is a bank that credits your account each morning with \$86,400. It carries over no balance from day to day. Every evening deletes whatever part of the balance you failed to use during the day.

What would you do? Draw out ALL OF IT, of course!!! Each of us has such a bank. Its name is TIME. Every morning it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off as lost, whatever of this you failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balance. It allows no overdraft. Each day it opens a new account for you. Each night it burns the remains of the day. If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours. There is no going back. There is no drawing against the "tomorrow." You must live in the present on today's deposits. Invest it so as to get from it the utmost in health, happiness, and success! The clock is running. Make the most of today.

To realize the value of ONE YEAR, ask a student who failed a grade.

To realize the value of ONE MONTH, as a mother who gave birth to a premature baby.

To realize the value of ONE MINUTE, ask a person who missed the train.

To realize the value of ONE-SECOND, ask a person who just avoided an accident.

To realize the value of ONE-MILLISECOND, ask the person who won a silver medal in the Olympics.

Treasure every moment that you have! And treasure it more because you shared it with someone special, special enough to spend your time! And remember that time waits for no one. Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift, that's why it's called the present!  
—Selected

## FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

### The Light of the World

Are you afraid of the dark? I fight against the fear of darkness with all of the manliness that I can muster but if I am honest, I have to admit that I am still afraid of the dark. There's just something about it that speaks of a dreadful unknown.

Often times I work at my office at the church building late at night. When I need to use the restroom, I have to walk down the long hallway that runs behind the chapel. Sometimes I turn on the hall light and sometimes I don't. Ed recently installed some night lights in the hallway, so that's kind of a happy medium. I feel foolish when I turn on the light but I feel a bit frightened when I don't.

It shouldn't surprise me that I feel uneasy in the dark, after all, the Bible often uses darkness to represent evil and light to represent what is good. God knew we would easily make that connection. John refers to Jesus as light. John 1:1-5

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. <sup>4</sup>In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. <sup>5</sup>The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.*

From the time of the fall of mankind in the garden, the world knew no true light, no true good until Jesus was born. Wise men and shepherds followed a light in the night sky that led them to the true light, Jesus.

In our text today, Jesus is going to tell you and I that we are the lights of the world. Is this how you think of yourself, as a light in a dark world? Think about what that implies. Isn't it amazing that Jesus puts His light into His followers so that we can be His lights to the world?

As we study today what it means to be the light of the world, it's my prayer that we, as individuals and as church body embrace our true identity like never before for our sake, for the sake of a lost world and for the glory of God. Much love!

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## FAMILY NEWS

Jace Deffenbaugh, grandson of Gene Deffenbaugh, had surgery on his hand this week at Mayo Clinic. He was dismissed to come home on Saturday. Keep him in your prayers! There are address labels for him on the bulletin board outside the office.

Raeann Hines had surgery on her foot last week. She is doing well. Pray for a speedy recovery.

## PRAYER LIST

Wade Colwell, Jace Deffenbaugh, Dorothy Crisler, Sandy Albin, Lindy Bolser and her son, Janette Guinn, Ralph Dry, Kylie Lock, Beth Brownlee, Ron Shields, Richard Wartick, Dalton Brownlee, David Brundage, Matt Norris, Eliza Conwell, Larry Helton, Patsy Pierce, Allen Stone, Deedra Bostick, Crystal Anderson. *Shut-In's*: Bertha Brown, Gene Deffenbaugh, Dorothy Lauterbach, Maxine Cole.

## CARD OF THANKS

Dear Youth Group and Leaders, thank you for the wonderful Christmas basket! We've enjoyed it so much! And thank you, too, for being such a great group of kids and youth leaders! Hugs to you all and a very Merry Christmas! Sherry Kline

## SNOW REMOVAL

We're putting together a list of anyone that would be interested in helping with snow removal for services on Sundays and Wednesdays. If you are interested in helping and wouldn't mind being put on a call list, a sign up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the office. Please sign your name and leave a phone number where you can be reached. You don't have to wait to be called!!! You can show up a couple of hours before services with your snow shovel and join the fun! Thanks! David Pierce

## THOUGHTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

The New Year lies before you  
Like a spotless tract of snow;  
Be careful how you tread on it  
For every mark will show.

—Selected

## Koine Greek Word of the Week:

In today's text, the phrase "*the light*" comes from the Greek word *phos* and it means, "to shine." Just because it's Greek doesn't mean it's difficult to understand. Ah! But the application! That's a different story – Christians are called to shine in this life – do you?



*The Light of the World*

Matthew 5:14-16

*You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

\_\_\_\_\_ the salt of the earth.

\_\_\_\_\_ the light of the world.

Salt + Light = \_\_\_\_\_

Don't try to \_\_\_\_\_

Areas of Focus for 2019

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_

Me getting the goal = \_\_\_\_\_

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

**SUNDAY, 10:30 AM**

SCRIPTURE READING  
PRAYER  
COMMUNION

USHERS  
CLIPBOARDS  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**SUNDAY, 6:00 PM**

PRAYER  
COMMUNION  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM**

LEAD SINGING  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**ATTENDANCE**

**SUNDAY—December 16**

BIBLE CLASS.....	72
A.M. WORSHIP.....	113
P.M. WORSHIP.....	52
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$2,804

**WEDNESDAY—December 19**

Auditorium—30	Teens—14	Bible Hour—10	Nursery—4
<b>Total—58</b>			

**COMMUNION PREP**

December Lynette Turney

**COORDINATOR**

December Alan Shields

**ELDERS**

Rex Harris Marvin Kline  
Ed Newberry Tom Norris

**DEACONS**

Kevin Dodds Aaron Hines  
Leroy Lewis Mike Neal  
David Pierce Alan Shields

**MINISTER**

Wes LeFlore

**December 23**

Bob Pettegrew  
Ed Newberry  
Roger Brownlee, Jim DeJarnett  
Rex Harris, Levi Turney  
Aaron Hines, John Rayl  
Daniel Garver, Parker Dodds  
Tom Norris

**December 23**

Jim DeJarnett  
Jim DeJarnett, Rex Harris  
Tom Norris

**December 26**

Rex Harris  
Ed Newberry

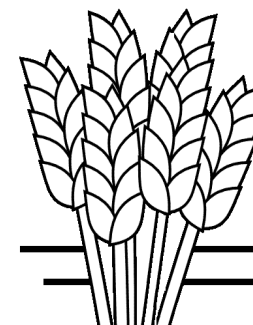
**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

*Sunday*

Bible Classes.....9:30 A.M.  
Worship.....10:30 A.M.  
Children's Worship.10:30 A.M.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
Children's Class.....6:00 P.M.

*Wednesday*

Ladies Bible Class....9:30 A.M.  
Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.



*"Reaching Inward, Outward  
Upward, Downward"*

# Wellington Church of Christ

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

December 23, 2018

Call to Worship

Song #288 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Song #797 "Lord, We Come Before Thee Now"

Prayer

Scripture John 1:1-14

Song #342 "We Saw Thee Not"

Lord's Supper

Song "This Little Light of Mine"

Song #650 "Send the Light"

Lesson

Song #94 "What Shall It Be"

Closing Prayer

*Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.*