

## December

Dec 15 Teachers meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
 Dec 18 Teen Supper in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.  
 Dec 22 Elders/Deacons meet after evening services  
 Dec 25 No Ladies Bible Class  
 Dec 25 No Wednesday Night Services  
 Dec 31 New Year's Eve Party 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Room; bring snacks & games

## January

Jan 01 Teen Supper in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.  
 Jan 05 Botkin Care & Rehab Devotional at 3:00 p.m.  
 Jan 07 Winfield Rest Haven Devotional; van leaves at 6:30 p.m.  
 Jan 12 Botkin Care & Rehab Devotional at 3:00 p.m.  
 Jan 15 Teen Supper in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.

## TEACHERS MEETING DECEMBER 15TH

There is a teachers meeting planned for Sunday, December 15 after evening services. We need anyone and everyone who wants to teach or help teach. There will be a sign up for the 2020 teaching assignments.

## A LITTLE HUMOR!

When I went to stay with my daughter for Christmas, I heard my grandson praying at the top of his voice for a new bike. His big sister told him: "God's not deaf, you know!" He replied: "No, but Nan is."

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary." The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge." Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?" The kid said, "Well, you know they are always talking about Verge n' Mary."

*A merry heart doeth good.* —Proverbs 17:22

*One small positive thought in the morning  
 can change your whole day.*

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

**We need volunteers! Sign up across from the office!**

### December

Dec 15 Emily Pierce & \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dec 22 \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dec 29 Linda Wartick & \_\_\_\_\_



## FELLOWSHIP ROOM SCHEDULE

Dec 31—New Years Eve Party—6:00-?

*We are glad that you have joined us in worshiping our God.  
 Please feel at home with our family.*

## FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

### A Different Kind of Faith

Faith comes in a variety of sizes. We don't have a way to measure the size of faith, but there are things that we can do to test our faith, not only in God, but in a lot of other things as well.

For instance, in the past when I heard a person going on and on about how their favorite team was going to win the big game, I would, for fun, say to them, "I'll bet you \$100 they lose." I had no intention of making the bet, I just wanted to see their reaction.

Their reaction told me all I wanted to know about what they actually believed. Some would jump at the chance to win an easy \$100. These people were true believers. To them it was not a risk because they were certain of victory. Others would begin to hem and haw and shuffle around. They would start making excuses. They would tell me they don't gamble, to which I would reply, "I thought you were certain. Where is the risk in certainty?" Others would want to lower the wager. They would suggest \$20 instead of \$100, to which I would reply, "Does that mean you are actually twenty percent sure of victory?" Again, I was being facetious.

The principle though, is sound. Our actions enforce what we *actually* believe, which is not always the same as what we *say* we believe.

In Matthew 9:18, we are given an example of a kind of faith that we have not yet seen. A man comes to Jesus who is a part of the religious hierarchy. The New American Standard Bible does him no justice, but simply refers to him as "a synagogue official." The Greek says he is an *archon*, the chief synagogue ruler.

The King James calls him "a certain ruler." The New International, "a synagogue leader." The Easy-to-Read, "a leader of the synagogue."

Why is it important to understand that he is the synagogue leader? It's important because it makes a difference that he is a part of the religious elite. The religious elite don't like Jesus. He is most likely a scribe or a pharisee as was common for synagogue leaders.

Here we have him, and Mark tells us his name is Jairus, coming and bowing down, face to the ground in the pose of worship before Jesus in front of other pharisees and a large crowd of others and he says, Matthew 9:18 -

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## PRAYER LIST

**Yvonne Bennett**-dealing with cancer and treatments

**Sandy Albin**-dealing with cancer and treatments

## CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, calls, texts, food, kind words, visits, and hugs since Grandma's passing. God is so kind to give us such a supportive and loving church family! Much love to ya'll. —The LeFlore family

## GRADUATION PINNING

Kaylee Jenkins graduated Friday from Newman University with a BSN in Nursing. She was also awarded the Distinguished BSN Award.



IT'S NOT WHAT'S

*under the tree*

THAT MATTERS

*it's who's gathered*

AROUND IT.

*(continued)*

***"My daughter has just died; but come and lay Your hand on her, and she will live."***

So far in Matthew's Gospel we have witnessed people being healed of various illnesses but we have not yet encountered a person who believed that Jesus could raise the dead. This is a different kind of faith. A great faith.

It's not just words. He doesn't come under cover of darkness like Nicodemus. He bows down to Jesus in a way that is reserved only for deity. He wouldn't do that, and ruin his religious reputation with the religious elite unless he believed that he was in the presence of the true religious elite one.

How would you describe your faith? Do you use words only? Do you use words coupled with examples of personal actions you've taken?

Much Love,

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**THE POWER OF THE KING:  
POWER OVER DEATH**

Matthew 9:18-26  
*While He was saying these things to them, a synagogue official came and bowed down before Him, and said, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay Your hand on her, and she will live." Jesus got up and began to follow him, and so did His disciples. And a woman who had been suffering from a hemorrhage for twelve years, came up behind Him and touched the fringe of His cloak; for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch His garment, I will get well." But Jesus turning and seeing her said, "Daughter, take courage; your faith has made you well." At once the woman was made well. When Jesus came into the official's house, and saw the flute-players and the crowd in noisy disorder, He said, "Leave; for the girl has not died, but is asleep." And they began laughing at Him. But when the crowd had been sent out, He entered and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. This news spread throughout all that land.*

Personal Application:

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Notes:

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

**SUNDAY, 10:30 AM**  
SCRIPTURE READING  
PRAYER  
COMMUNION

USHERS  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**SUNDAY, 6:00 PM**  
PRAYER  
COMMUNION  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM**  
LEAD SINGING  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**ATTENDANCE**  
**SUNDAY—December 8**

BIBLE CLASS.....	70
A.M. WORSHIP.....	110
P.M. WORSHIP.....	49
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$2,599

**WEDNESDAY—December 11**  
Auditorium—40    Teens—7    Bible Hour—12    Nursery—6  
**Total—65**

**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 15**  
Alan Shields  
Roger Brownlee  
Parker Dodds, Nathan Bradbury  
Ed Newberry, Joe Church  
Tom Kirkwood, David Carroll  
Tom Norris

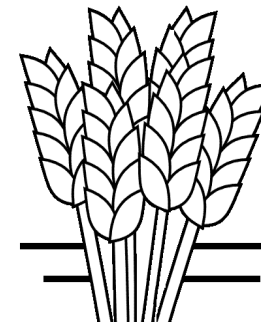
**December 15**  
Tom Kirkwood  
Nathan Bradbury, Ed Newberry  
Tom Norris

**December 18**  
Kevin Dodds  
Leroy Lewis

**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"*

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Church of Christ**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

December 15, 2019

Call to Worship

Song #288    "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Song #586    "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Prayer

Scripture    I Corinthians 15:50-58

Song #350    "When My Love to Christ Grows Weak"

Lord's Supper

Song #679    "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Lesson

Song #176    "Lamb of God"

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.*