### December

Dec 11 Ladies Holiday Party; 7:00 p.m.

Dec 18 Christmas Fellowship at 6:00; Fellowship Room

### **CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP**

Please join us Saturday, December 18th at 6:00 p.m. for an all-church Christmas Fellowship hosted by our children. Light snacks will be provided. Hope to see you there as we celebrate Jesus, the reason for the season.

### PARTICIPATION IN WORSHIP

To forsake the assembly means spiritual death. An old preacher once visited a man who wasn't attending faithfully. It was a cold winter day, so they sat by the fireplace and warmed themselves as they talked. The preacher said, "My friend, I don't see you at church on the Lord's Day. You seem to come only when it's convenient or only when you feel like you need to come. You miss so very often. I wish you'd come all the time." The man just didn't seem to get the message, so the old preacher said, "Let me show you something." He then took the tongs from beside the fireplace, pulled open the screen and began to separate all the coals so that none of them were touching each other. In a matter of minutes, the blazing coals had all died out. "My friend," he said, "that's what happening in your life. As soon as you isolate yourself, the fire goes out."

Has your fire gone out? It will if you refrain from the assembly. It will if you cease to participate. Living stones are built upon one another as each stone is built upon Christ our foundation. As embers we must touch each other to keep on burning. The forces of evil are too powerful, disheartening and deceitful for the Christian to battle alone. We need spiritual energy, encouragement and constant motivations as we face the opposition of the world.

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Konnor Clark—30th

#### December

Mike Kelley—8th
Ella Mae Watson—11th
Aaron Hines—15th
Bobbi Newberry—16th

Richard Wartick—8th
Lila Francisco—14th
Craig Bradbury—15th
John Rayl—17th

Victoria Sandoval—17th

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

#### November

Nov 28—Linda Wartick

### **December**

Dec 05—Kaylee Jenkins Dec 12—Darlene Cooney
Dec 19—Linda Wartick Dec 26—Darlene Cooney

If you can volunteer, see Darlene Cooney!

### FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

The Season of Opportunity

This holiday season, we will all face a multitude of opportunities. Opportunities to do good to others, opportunities to be selfish, opportunities to do good things for those that we love and those that we don't necessarily like

One of the best things that I learned when I worked in Recovery Ministry was to ask myself the question, "What is the best thing you can do in this situation?" The situations always varied, but the question applied the same.

What I liked so much about this particular question was that it caused me to examine my choices, and upon examination, I saw that making choices is a lot more complicated than just right vs wrong.

For instance, in most situations, there will be a variety of choices. There may be a neutral choice, a good choice, a better choice, a best choice. There may be a poor choice, a worse choice and a worst choice as well.

In the Book of Matthew, chapter 16, Jesus asks His disciples a question,

## 15... "But who do you say that I am?"

A very neutral answer would be, "You are a man from Nazareth."

A good answer would be, "You are a prophet."

A better answer would be, "You are a prophet and a priest."

Peter didn't often say the best thing, but this was his brightest moment and he gave the *best* answer when he replied,

# 16... "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

This example deals with a verbal response, but the principle can be applied to any situation. For instance, consider, what is a good choice when I see my brother or sister in Christ in need? What is a better choice? What is the best choice? What is a poor choice?

In this holiday season, you have many opportunities do things and to say things. Take a moment, before you speak or don't speak, before you take action, or take no action to ask yourself the question, "What is the best thing I can say or do in this particular instance?"

A better way to ask the same question: "What can I say or do in this instance that will honor God most and prove my love for my neighbor?"

Let's make the most of our opportunities!

#### Much love!

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### PRAYER LIST:

**Dorothy Crisler**—tested positive for Covid. She is still in the care home in quarantine. Pray for her strength.

**Joe Church**—tested positive for Covid. He is doing great following his hip surgery and doesn't have serious issues with the Covid. Keep him in your prayers.

**Isidro & Jennifer Palacios**—tested positive for Covid. Keep this family in your prayers. Jennifer is the granddaughter of Arlis Day.

Others on the prayer list: Joe Church, Lonnie Bennett, Helen Norris, David Carroll, Marya Young, Russell Day, Kendall Brundage, Duane McKinney, Larry Helton, Joe Brown, Connie Morris, Melinda Miller, Hailee Moyer

### **EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY**

We express our deepest sympathy to Tom & Helen Norris on the death of their brother-in-law, Bruce Tandy. His service was last week. If you wish to send a card to Sheila, her address is Sheila Tandy, 825 Florida, York, Nebraska 68467

We express our deepest sympathy to Bonnie Tirey & Patsy Pierce on the death of their sister Jean Delgadillo. Keep this family in your prayers.

### **LADIES HOLIDAY PARTY**

There is a Ladies Holiday Party planned for December 11 at 7:00 in the Fellowship Room. We will be having a painting party. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Everything will be provided by the instructor. Bring a snack to share with everyone and an ornament to exchange. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. We need a count by December 1 of all who is participating in the painting. **PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY!** 

### 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

Marvin and Brenda Kline are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary with a "Come & Go" reception Saturday, December 18th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Family Life Center in Conway Springs. The address is 305 W Spring Ave, Conway Springs. The Klines kindly request no gifts.

## **2022 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THEME**

"Joy Story" You've Got A Friend in Me June 26th - 29th

If you are visiting today, welcome!
We are glad that you have joined us in worshiping our God.
Please feel at home with our
family, and let us know how we can serve you!

The Last Week, Part 26: See & Help Jesus  Matthew 25:31-46				
Four Truths:				
Truth #1 — Jesus' Are:				
Truth #2 — When You Help:				
Truth #3 — When you Help Brethren:				
Truth #4 — Christians Help:				
Notes:				

THOSE WHO SERVE				
SUNDAY A.M.	28-Nov 2021	05-Dec 2021	12-Dec 2021	
Elder in Charge	E. Newberry	T. Norris	T. Norris	
Opening Prayer	J. DeJarnett	N. Bradbury	A. Shields	
Song Leader	A. Shields	T. Norris	T. Norris	
Communion Prayer	D. Pierce	R. Harris	E. Newberry	
Contribution Prayer	P. Dodds	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	
& Collection	M. Neal	D. Pierce	D. Pierce	
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<u>Ushers</u>	A. Hines	D. Carroll	D. Carroll	
	L. Helton	M. Kline	M. Kline	
Closing Prayer	E. Newberry	T. Norris	T. Norris	
Deacon in Charge	D. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	
SUNDAY A.M.	19-Dec 2021	26-Dec 2021		
Elder in Charge	T. Norris	T. Norris		
Opening Prayer	R. Harris	B. Turney		
Song Leader	T. Norris	T. Norris		
Communion Prayer	N. Bradbury	K. Dodds		
Contribution Prayer	W. Pierce	W. Pierce		
& Collection	D. Pierce	D. Pierce		
	R. Harris	R. Harris		
<u>Ushers</u>	D. Carroll	D. Carroll		
	M. Kline	M. Kline		
Closing Prayer	T. Norris	T. Norris		
Deacon in Charge	W. Pierce	W. Pierce		
ELDERS		SCHEDULE	OF SERVICE	
Rex Harris	Marvin Kline	Sund		
Ed Newberry	Tom Norris		9:30 a.m10:30 a.m.	
DEACONS		Wedne		
Nathan Bradbury	Kevin Dodds	Ladies Bible Class9:30 a.m.		
Aaron Hines	Leroy Lewis	Bible Class	7:00 p.m.	
Mike Neal	David Pierce			

Wade Pierce

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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

November 28, 2021

Call to Worship

Song #108 "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple"

Song #826 "Father, We Thank Thee"

Prayer

Song #376 "He Paid a Debt"

**Communion Prayers** 

Contribution Prayer

**Contribution Collection** 

"When Upon Life's Billows" Song #742

Lesson

Song #859 "When All of God's Singers Get Home"

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 Fellowship Room for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.