

December

Dec 06 Men's Day Hike & BBQ; leave at 5:00 a.m.
Dec 14 Youth Group Christmas Party after services
Dec 17 Children's Christmas Caroling
Dec 18 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study; 6:00 p.m.
Dec 19 Ladies Holiday Party
Dec 24 NO Wednesday Night Services
Dec 31 Wednesday Night New Years Eve Celebration

MEN'S DAY HIKE

A Men's Day Hike & BBQ is planned for Saturday, December 6. We will leave the building at 5:00 a.m. and will be returning home late.

YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

Youth Group, (6th-12th graders) there is a Christmas party planned after services on Sunday, December 14 in the Fellowship Room. Lunch will be provided.

NEW YEARS EVE CELEBRATION

There is a New Year's Eve celebration after Wednesday evening services, December 31. Please bring games and snacks to share.

When you're tempted to lose your patience with someone, think how patient God has been with you all the time.

BLESSING BOX MINISTRY

Thank you Church family for the cash donations and for your continued support of our Blessing Box ministry! We are in high need of items! We are adding canned goods back in the mix. Also, we are still taking money so someone else can shop for you!

"For the whole law is fulfilled in one word:

"You shall Love your neighbor as yourself." —Galatians 5:14 ESV

BLESSING BOX IDEAS

Non-Perishable Food Items:

Peanut Butter
Granola/Protein Bars
Nuts, Oatmeal, Cereal, Crackers
Beans, Rice, Lentils, Pasta, Pasta Sauce
One Box Meals or Mixes
Kitchen Staples (Flour, Sugar, salt/pepper)
Dry Soup Mixes, Seasoning Packets
Canned Goods

Hygiene Items:

Shampoo/Conditioner
Toothpaste/Toothbrush/Floss
Brushes/Combs
Deodorant
Body Wash
Hats & Gloves
Scarves
Socks

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

November

Nov 30—Volunteer Needed!

If you can volunteer, please see Darlene Cooney!

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

Heavenly Processes

There is much mystery in the workings of God, as I often say in one way or another, but there are many, what I might call, "heavenly processes," that the Bible helps us understand.

For instance, one of these processes is the process in which God works to affect changes in our behavior.

It's familiar to all who follow Jesus, and goes something like this:

1. Something happens that causes me to feel convicted

By "something happening," I mean that I read something in the Bible, or I hear something biblical that is taught, or I hear a song lyric, or some life event happens, whether large or small, that brings to my mind the Lord and His teaching.

By "that causes," I mean there is a disturbance of some sort in my innermost being, or I might also say in my heart or in my soul.

By "convicted," I mean that, in some way, I understand the pronouncement from God's throne that I stand guilty before Him of something.

2. I decide to repent...or I don't

By "decide to repent," I mean that put together some form of game-plan to turn away from whatever it was that caused me to feel convicted toward doing whatever it is that God would have me to do.

By "don't," I mean that I don't repent. I may feel bad, and mistakenly count my feeling bad as making a righteous action. I may make excuses of why I can't repent and mistakenly feel justified because I have, what I've convinced myself, a good enough reason to not actually repent. I may even cry and confess my conviction and mistakenly feel like I've done my due diligence.

Let's assume, for the sake of this article, that we decide to repent after we feel convicted. That will lead us to the third and final step of the process.

3. I repent.

By "repent," I mean that I do whatever is necessary to abandon my former way of thinking and action and instead think how God would have me think and do as God would have me do. (continued)

Prayer List: Alan Shields, Karl & Mary Lee Berg, Teri Lundblad, Charlie King, Cody Martin, Jarrod Kline, Harry Ricke, Chuck Cole, Brian May, Dianne Jeans, Marilyn Bartlow, Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Kylie Lock

WE REJOICE!

Great news, Caroline LeFlore was baptized into Christ Tuesday night, committing her life to the Lord! Praise God for her decision. Let's all surround her with our love and support.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The theme for the month of November is "The Southern Kingdom." Here is a peek at this month's lessons,

Nov 30—Ezekiel Gave Hope (Ezekiel 37)

ORPHAN'S LIFELINE

The special contribution collected for Orphans Lifeline was an amazing \$4,221. If anyone still wants to give, please give your money to one of the elders.

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This process is constant in the life of followers of Jesus. It is initiated and made possible to execute by the Lord, Himself and empowered by the Holy Spirit. How are you currently "in process?" We are constantly either doing what God would have us to do, or resisting.

Let us all give in to His leading together. For our good and His glory!

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Greek of the Week:

In our text this week is the word, "stubbornness." It comes from the Greek noun *sklērotēs*, which, most literally means "hardness."

You may recognize our English word "sclerosis," as in the autoimmune disease, multiple sclerosis, which is a disease that, among other things, hardens tissues in the brain, spinal cord and optic nerves.

Sclerosis is a serious and deadly disease of the physical body, but even more severe is the spiritual disease, sclerosis of the heart, which prevents repentance and obedience to God.

*If you are visiting today, welcome!
We are glad that you have joined us in worshiping our God.*

