



## Upcoming Events

### Week of December 4, 2016

#### Sunday, December 4

- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
- 4:00 Church Council, *Fellowship Hall*
- 5:00 Cantata Practice, *Choir Room*
- 4:30-6:30 Youth, *Family Life Center*
- 8-9 p.m. AA, *Fellowship Hall*

#### Monday, December 5

- 10:00 TLC, *Library*
- 6:30 Cub Scouts
- 7:00 Boy Scouts

#### Tuesday, December 6

- 8:30 MDO, *Level 2 Classrooms*
- 11:00 Women's Club, *Fellowship Hall*
- 6:00 UMW, *Fellowship Hall*
- 6:30 Scouts' Committee, *Family Life Center*

#### Wednesday, December 7

- 10:00 Disciple 4, *Fellowship Hall*
- 4:30-8:30 Youth, *Family Life Center*
- 6:00 Children's Class, *Fellowship Hall*
- 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal, *Choir Room*

#### Thursday, December 8

- 8:30 MDO, *Level 2 Classrooms*
- 7:00 Trustees' Meeting, *Parlor*

#### Friday, December 9 *Church Office Closed*

Family Life Center Closed for Kiwanis set-up

#### Saturday, December 10

- 9-1:00 Distribution of Kiwanis Christmas baskets  
*Family Life Center*

#### WAY TO GO - WAY TO GIVE SPRING CITY

Stewardship is a lifestyle. Commitment cards are inserted in today's bulletins and will be included in next Sunday's bulletins, too. Please prayerfully consider ways to serve the Lord and support the ministries of the Church. Please return your commitment card sometime during the month of December. Thank you.

| Monthly Giving to the General Budget |                            |                            |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| November Budget                      | Funds Rec'd as of 11-27-16 | % Rec'd for Monthly Budget |
| \$27,232                             | \$23,662                   | 87%                        |

## SCRIPTURE READING

### Matthew 3:1-12 (NRSV)

- <sup>1</sup> In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming,
- <sup>2</sup> "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."
- <sup>3</sup> This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'"
- <sup>4</sup> Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey.
- <sup>5</sup> Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan,
- <sup>6</sup> and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.
- <sup>7</sup> But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"
- <sup>8</sup> Bear fruit worthy of repentance.
- <sup>9</sup> Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.
- <sup>10</sup> Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.
- <sup>11</sup> "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
- <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

#### SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

**MINISTER:** Rev. Dale S. Wyrick  
**WORSHIP LEADER:** Kevin Rose  
**CHOIR DIRECTOR:** Judy Ezell  
**GREETERS:** Sharon Cowart, Lynda Smith  
**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Shelly Pruett  
**NURSERY:** Debbie Wilson, Hannah Couch  
**USHERS:** Natalie Baker, Steve Keylon, Walt Morse, Jerry Smith  
**SOUND OPERATORS:** Silas & Linda Booker **Backup:** Marty Gilliam  
**WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR:** Jay Maddux

#### SERVING IN WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

**Greeters:** Mary Drinkard, Susie Strunk      **Children's Church:** Susan Maddux  
**Nursery:** Terry Hooper, Loretta Hale      **Acolyte:** Rachel Heimel  
**Ushers:** Shirley Corbin, Earl Keahey, Billy Ray Patton, Ken Rose

**TOYS FOR CHILDREN:** Anyone who wishes to give a monetary donation for toys for children, please go to First Bank. Applications can be picked up at City Hall, VEC, and Cash Express. The Angel Tree will be up at First Bank after Thanksgiving. Anyone who would like to contribute a gift of money should take it to First Bank. If you have any questions, please contact Helen Kincannon at 365-0197.



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