

PIANIST- Angela Jackson		ORGANIST- Bryan Massengale
ACOLYTES — Emily & Gabby McBride		
PRELUDE		Bryan Massengale
STRIKING OF THE HOUR		
WELCOME		Worship Leader
FOURTH ADVENT READING		Billy Ray & Jerrie Patton
*HYMN	“Joy to the World”	No. 246
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	"The Apostles' Creed"	No. 881
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER		
*HYMN OF FAITH	“Away in a Manger”	No. 217
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
THE OFFERTORY	"Join the Triumph of the Skies!"	Bryan Massengale
*THE DOXOLOGY		No. 95
*GREETING EACH OTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE		
*HYMN	“Surely the Presence of the Lord”	No. 328
CHILDREN’S SERMON		Pastor Dale
<i>Children, ages 3 thru 2nd grade, may now go to Children’s Church.</i>		
CHOIR ANTHEM	“Once in Royal David’s City”	Chancel Choir w/Caren Ruffner, Soloist
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 1:39-45	Worship Leader
WORSHIP LEADER: The Word of God for the People of God		
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God		
MORNING MESSAGE	“Reverence”	Rev. Dale Wyrick
*HYMN	“He Is Born”	No. 228
*BENEDICTION		Rev. Dale Wyrick
*CLOSING HYMN	“Jesus, Name above All Names”	No. 2071
	Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord. Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.	The Faith We Sing Hymnal
*POSTLUDE		Bryan Massengale
*CONGREGATION STANDS		
<i>Nursery available for babies & toddlers up to 3 yrs. in Room #109 near the Fellowship Hall.</i>		
OUR SERVICES ARE VIDEOTAPED AND BROADCAST VIA LIVESTREAM WEEKLY.		

THE KIWANIS CLUB extends its sincere thanks to all who helped them bring food and joy to 156 families for their annual Christmas baskets program. A special thank you to the Community Ministry team, and the ladies who helped them for providing the breakfast treats for all to enjoy. Without your contributions and help, we could not provide the many baskets to those in need. May you and your family have a blessed Christmas!

UPPER ROOMS are available today at the front and side entrances.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT & COMMUNION SERVICE begins at 5:00 p.m., **Monday, December 24th**. Join us in the sanctuary as we celebrate the joy of the birth of Christ at this special worship service where we reflect on the real meaning of Christmas.

CONFERENCE, DISTRICT, AND CHURCH OFFICES closed Monday, December 24 - Friday, December 28 and on Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

STAFF PARISH RELATIONS' INTERVIEW TEAM meets at 4 p.m. on **Sunday, December 30th**, in the **Parlor**.

FIFTH SUNDAY SING FOR DECEMBER 30 is canceled.

PARABLES OF JESUS: Beginning Wednesday, January 16, 2019, at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, we will start a study on the Parables of Jesus. This 6-weeks study looks at the historical and cultural background, the biblical text and its meaning, and the biblical meaning for life today. Please contact Sharon Brown at the church office to order a book at the cost of \$5.00. Books will be ordered **Friday morning, January 4, 2019.**

STAFF PARISH RELATIONS TEAM (SPR) meets at **6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 14, 2019, in the Parlor**. Members of the **2019 SPR Team** who should be present at this meeting are Jay Maddux, Chairperson; Pat Douglas, Tom Heimel, Caren Ruffner, Silas Booker, Wanda McCarter; Lay Member to Annual Conference, Virginia Bond; Lay Leader, Billy Ray Patton; Reed Chapel's Representative, Pat Horton, and Pastor Dale.

FINANCE TEAM meets, **Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Team members are Chris Haerr, Chairperson; Jay Maddux, Walt Morse, Kathy Heimel, Cheryl Southers, Sharon Cowart, Pastor Dale, Billy Ray Patton, Virginia Bond, Patty Crowder.

Tim Agee	T.C. & Lauretta Cash	Sheila Larson
Betty Barnes	Margaret Crane	Linda Mullins
Virginia Bond	Rhonda Evans	Susie Strunk

Ella Bell (Golden Years, 301 Keith Dr., Spring City)
Mary Galloway (195 Deer Ridge Dr., Room #A5, Dayton, 37321)
Jeanette Long ((Spring City Care & Rehab, #201, 331 Hinch St.)
Fred Mullins ((Spring City Care & Rehab, #204, 331 Hinch St.)
Kathleen Reece (Spring City Care & Rehab, #306, 331 Hinch St.)

T. J. Loftin, son of Ronnie & Connie Dove (friends of Wendy Thurman)

Mary Balmer
(Chris Haerr's mother)

Alice Cumnock
(Pat Cook's granddaughter)

Joyce Drake
(former member)

Jason Hall
(nephew of Susan & Bennie Arp)

Cora Fugate
(Carolyn Reid's friend)

Richard & Sandra Larson
(Bob Larson's brother & his brother's wife)

Jane Thurau
(Bill Ruffner's sister)

Dominic Ciero
(grandson of Cindy Hill and nephew of Jerrie Patton)

Alice McNelly
(friend of the Bowmans)

Montana Runninghorse
(friend of Richard DeCroce)

Larry Buller
(friend of Sharon & Gray Cowart)

Kennedy and Lincoln Ladd
(friends of Peggy Bowman)

Laura Cramer
(friend of Susan Arp)

Emaline Nunley
(aunt of David, Marty, & Howard Gilliam)

Olga Conroy
(daughter-in-law of John Conroy)

The Family of Jack Phillips
(father of Cindy Ross & Roy Phillips)

The Family of Margaret Cohen
(Rita Uhler's sister)

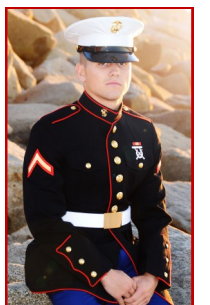
The Family of Charlseay Barton
(aunt of Patty Crowder)

The Family of Robin Raye Russell (Sheila Larson's niece)

*Due to the lack of space, names listed
over two - three months are removed in order
to add new requests for prayer.
Thank you*

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Michael Seth Crane (Margaret Crane's grandson)
William Ruffner (Bill & Caren Ruffner's grandson)
Jonathon Harrison (James Weaver's step-grandson)
Tyler Shaffer (Kathy Heimel's nephew)
Branson Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew)
Justin Reed (Nancy Gilliam's nephew)
Monty Johnson (Judy Johnson's son)
Christopher Yonke (Diane Yonke's grandson)
John Cody Robinson (Tommy Hale's nephew)



William Ruffner

Upcoming Events

Week of December 23, 2018

Sunday, December 23

9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*

8:00 AA, *Fellowship Hall*

Monday, December 24

5:00 Christmas Eve Service, *Sanctuary*

Tuesday, December 25



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SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

MINISTER: Rev. Dale Wyrick

WORSHIP LEADER: Kevin Rose

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Judy Ezell

ACOLYTES: Emily & Gabby McBride

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Angie Couch, J. T. Baker

GREETERS: Rachel Heimel, Hannah Couch

NURSERY: Peggy Bowman

USHERS: Norman Bowman, Trish & Richard Cole, Sheila Larson

WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR: Jay Maddux

SOUND OPERATORS: Marty Gilliam **BACKUP:** Josh Heimel

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:39-45 (NRSV)

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country,
⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit

⁴² and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me?

⁴⁴ For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy.

⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."



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Monthly Giving to the General Budget		
December Budget	Funds Rec'd as of 12-16-18	% Rec'd for Monthly Budget
\$36,550	\$20,087	55%