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**December 24, 2023** 



# ESPECIALLY FOR OUR GUESTS ...

- Please pick up an information packet from our welcome table in the lobby. We also have a small gift for our first-time guests.
- We are grateful for your presence today. Please fill out an attendance card (please indicate both your first and last names) so we can have a record of your presence.
- About halfway through the service, the children 4 years old through the 4th grade will be dismissed for their own class downstairs.
- > If you have any questions concerning our services or the church or the Bible, we encourage you to speak to our minister or one of our elders.

# **ADULT BIBLE CLASSES**

Sunday a.m. ~ Jonah 4 Sunday p.m. ~ The church in Acts Wednesday night ~ Isaiah 15

#### **HOLIDAY SERVICES**

Our evening service tonight will be cancelled. Next Sunday, our morning & evening services will be held as usual.

# **CARE CENTER SERVICES**

Northeast has the opportunity to conduct the worship services this afternoon at 3:00 at the Church of Christ Community Nursing Home. We also will be responsible for the services on Sunday, Dec. 31, at the Assisted Living Facility at 2:00 and at the nursing home at 3:00. We hope you can join us as we fellowship and worship with the residents.

# **BREAKFAST**

Invite your friends and family to join you for a hot breakfast next Sunday morning, from 8 - 9, and then stay for Bible study and worship.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



27 - Benny Welch

28 - Karen Remlinger

29 - Grace Mosek

30 - Zachary Loftis

# In Our Thoughts and Prayers

**Nina Sims** will have a PET scan soon.

Leila Mann is not doing well with her cancer treatments.Darliss Wills is doing good following cataract surgery.

# **LADIES BIBLE CLASS**

This Wednesday will be the last ladies Bible study until March. Classes will resume when Deanna gets back from Florida.

# THE LIGHT STILL SHINES

By Joe Barnett

The light shines in the darkness.

John 1:5

Much of the world pauses at this season to celebrate the birth of Jesus. "The Word [Christ] became flesh and made his dwelling among us" (John 1:14). When John spoke of his coming to live among us, he said, "The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world" (John 1:9).

There was—and is—the darkness of sin and despair remaining in our world. But the Bethlehem birth gave us a light to shine in the darkness.

The light of his presence is stronger than the darkness. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5). Nor can it.

Let the light shine.

#### **NEW YEARS EVE FUN**

Everyone, young and old, is invited to join together at the building on next Sunday, New Year's Eve, for a fun night of games, food, friendship, and fellowship. We will hold our evening service at 5:00 and after that enjoy our time together until 9:00. Sign up in the hallway. Each family is asked to bring a snack/appetizer and beverage, and your favorite game - card game, board game, etc. We will also have a white elephant gift exchange. If you want to participate, please bring a wrapped gift.

# **CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

Contribution envelopes for 2024 are available in the lobby. Please fill out the purpose card & deposit it in the box on the table. Do not use these until the first Sunday in January, and also please do not use envelopes from a previous year. Our 2024 proposed budget is also available in the lobby.

# HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for us and rose from the dead, making salvation available as a gift (John 3:16; Romans 6:23). In order to benefit from this great sacrificial love, one must receive God's grace through faith in Christ and obedience to him (Romans 5:1-2; Hebrews 5:9). To become a Christian, the Bible teaches that we must believe in and put our trust in Christ (John 8:24), turn away from a life of sin (Luke 13:3), confess Jesus as Lord (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16). If you would like to further study this question of "What must I do to be saved?", please see our minister or one of our elders.

#### TIMOTHY, MAY YOU REMEMBER

By Ronald Sanders, Jr.

Main Text: (2 Timothy 2:8-14)

# **Supporting Text:**

- (1 Peter 1:3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,
- (**Hebrews 6:18**) That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: **(19)** Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;
- (Matthew 5:10) Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (11) Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. (12) Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.
- (1 Corinthians 1:18) For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.
- (**Philippians 1:23**) For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better: **(24)** Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you.
- (2 Timothy 2:2) And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.
- (Galatians 2:20) I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.
- (Matthew 16:25) For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.
- **(Romans 8:18)** For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.
- (Romans 3:3) For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? (4) God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written,

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# TIMES OF SERVICES

<u>Sunday</u>

Worship -10:30a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Bible School - 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:00 p.m. (at the building)

Our weekly Sunday morning worship service, Sunday evening class & Wednesday night Bible class are live streamed on our Facebook page.

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### Pray For Our Missions!

- ⊕ China
- † Church of Christ Care Community
- T Eastern European Mission
- 🕆 India
- 1 Let The Bible Speak TV Program
- ☆ Metro Detroit Youth Chorus
- ₱ Michigan Christian Youth Camp
- ♣ Nigeria
- ₱ Shults~Lewis Children's Home

# **ELDER CHAIRMAN**

Joe Mason

#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANTS**

December 24, 2023

Opening Prayer - Joe Mason Song Leader - Bill Nocita Bible Reading - Desmond Bass Sermon - Ron Sanders, Jr.

#### Communion servants

Jimmy Hampton Craig Sims Dean Stewart Tracy Webb Byron Bledsoe

> Audio visual servitor Willis Williams IV

#### FOR THE RECORD

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December 17, 2023	
Bible School	28
Sunday Morning Worship	84
Avg. attendance for 2023	78
Sunday Evening Worship	15
Mid-week Bible Study (including ladies class)	36
Contribution \$4,49	2.00
Avg. contribution for 2023 \$3,62	20.96
Budget \$3,79	5.00
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Total for 2023 \$1,69	5.81