

# The Springs

Where The Thirsty Find **Life**

November 15, 2017

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## Decorate Sanctuary for Advent

**November 26th, 4 pm - 6 pm.** Gather in the Sanctuary to help decorate for Advent. All ages are welcome!

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## Children's Ministry Christmas Party

**December 3rd, 5:30 pm,** Highland Park Carousel. We will take van from the church following Reading Helps.

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## Poinsettias for Advent

Our Sanctuary is made even more beautiful by the addition of poinsettias during the Advent Season. You may purchase these plants in honor of or in memory of a loved one at the cost of \$15. **Please return the form by Dec. 10th.** The flowers will need to remain in the sanctuary through the December 24th worship service. A listing of the memorials and honorees will be included in our bulletin that day.

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## Youth Christmas Party

**December 13th, 6 - 7:30 pm, Home of Jake & Keller Joyner.** Youth meet at the church 5:45 pm, to ride van. If you wish to participate in the gift swap please bring a \$10 gift.

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## Missions Tree

**Reminder:** Gifts for Wesley House are due by Dec. 6th. For the Ramp Ministry or the Heifer Project you can place you monetary gifts in the offering plate or bring by the church office.

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### **From the office of the Financial Secretary:**

We are fast approaching the end of 2017! All monetary giving should be received by the church office no later than **Wednesday, December 27** in order for you to claim a deduction for income tax purposes in 2017.

Anything received after then will be applied to next year's contributions.

Thank you all for your support.

### Sunday, November 19

9:05	A.M.	Sunday Grind - Coffee & Fellowship
9:30	A.M.	Worship
10:45	A.M.	Sunday School (Life Groups)
4:00	P.M.	Reading Helps
4-6	P.M.	Youth Group (8th - 12th)
4:30 - 5:30	P.M.	Tween Ministry (5th - 7th)

### Wednesday, November 22

**No Evening Activities**

### Thursday & Friday, November 23 & 24

**Church Offices are Closed for Thanksgiving**

### Sunday, November 26

9:05	A.M.	Sunday Grind - Coffee & Fellowship
9:30	A.M.	Worship
10:45	A.M.	Sunday School (Life Groups)
<b>4:00</b>	<b>P.M.</b>	<b>Decorate Sanctuary for Advent</b>
		<b>Everyone Welcome!</b>
4:00	P.M.	Reading Helps
4-6	P.M.	Youth Group (8th - 12th)
4:30 - 5:30	P.M.	Tween Ministry (5th - 7th)

### Wednesday, November 29

6:00	P.M.	Youth Group
6:00	P.M.	Worship Practice

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### Monthly Financial Report for

### October 2017

#### **2017 Budget**

**516,223.87**

Needed each month (Budget/12 months)

43,018.66

Contributions for month

39,359.62

Difference for month

-3,659.04

Budget Balance at end of month

13,287.33

#### Miss Annual Conference Mission Shares

**63,112.00**

Amount Paid to date (41.8%)

26,382.00

#### Meridian District Mission Shares

**9,093.00**

Amount Paid to date (83.5%)

7,593.00

#### Building Fund

Community Bank Note Balance Due

458,478.47

Monthly note payment

6,183.03

Received in September

6,849.00

Building Fund Balance

24,572.76

**Maintenance Fund Balance**

**34,968.05**

### December Birthdays

2nd	Brian Smith
3rd	Seth Williams
4th	Nathan Johnson
	Keller Joyner
5th	Maliya Fluker
	John Thames
	Stephen Wilson
6th	Katie Cook
	Scott Farmer
7th	Megan Mendiola
14th	Kristi Brown
15th	Bobby Sherrill
16th	Karin Both
	Drew Wilson
18th	Olivia Watson
19th	Otha Barham
	Martha Holt
20th	Braeden Smith
	Glenda Smith
	James Weeks
21st	Inga Bass
	Richard Dixon
	Jesse Mendiola
	Trey Williams
22nd	Buddy Cox
23rd	Darlene Harrison
24th	Hayden Martin
	Kevin Peterson
	Margaret Stutts
29th	Mary Anne Catlett
31st	Bubba Cook

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## Missions Tree - A Christmas Opportunity

### Wesley House

Bless a child this Christmas! Starting November 15th you can adopt a foster child (ages newborn - 12 yrs. old) through Wesley House. You will receive a ornament with a child's age and a few ideas on their hobbies and other interests. Wesley House distributes the gifts to foster children around our community. You can do this individually, as a class, or with a friend. *(All gift items should be turned in by December 6th)*

### Conference Ramp Ministry

In May, 1999, the Meridian District began a Volunteers-in-Mission project to build handicapped ramps at the homes of people in need of them within the bounds of the district. This ministry, which began on a small scale, has continued for fourteen years and is going strong. To date they have now completed almost 900 ramp projects. Through the years, this has become an ecumenical group with members of many different churches from varied denominations helping to keep the ministry vital and growing. The ministry exists through faithful volunteers and through monetary donations.

### Heifer Project

Heifer International (also known as Heifer Project International) is a global nonprofit working to eradicate poverty and hunger through sustainable, values-based holistic community development. Heifer distributes animals, along with agricultural and values-based training, to families in need around the world as a means of providing self-sufficiency. Recipients must agree to "pass on the gift" by sharing animal offspring, as well as the skills and knowledge of animal husbandry and agricultural training with other impoverished families.

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## Memorials

### In Memory of:

<b>Minnie Bryan</b>	Mark & Ginny Adkins - Securing The Legacy
<b>Oenone Allen Hearn</b> (Robbie Hales' Mom)	Mary Anne Catlett - Securing The Legacy Jerry & Linda Long - Maintenance Mark & Ginny Adkins - Securing The Legacy Raymond & Carron King - Securing The Legacy
<b>Jeremy Thompson</b> (Audrey Otto's Brother)	Raymond & Carron King - Securing The Legacy
<b>Edward Watson</b> (Carolyn Boles Father)	Jerry & Linda Long - Maintenance
<b>Elenor Pushcar</b> (Patti Coxwell's Mom)	Mark & Ginny Adkins - Securing The Legacy

## Worship Volunteers

### Scripture Readers

**November 19** - Cindy Lang  
**November 26** - Linda Long  
**December 3** - Raymond King

### Communion Celebrants

#### December 3

Kevin Peterson  
Karin Both  
Raymond & Carron King

#### Christmas Eve Communion

Amy Floyd  
Ginny Adkins  
Debbie Young  
Kristi Brown

### Ushers for December

Jim Autry  
Paul Carson  
Irby Lang  
Jeffrey Rhett

### Alternates:

David Litton  
Mike Crane

### Greeters for November

#### November 19

Teresa/Billy Anders - Sanctuary  
Carrol Barham - 40th St.  
Polly Little - Downstairs

#### November 26

Martha Hudson - Sanctuary  
Janet Barham - 40th St.  
Sue Gerwert - Downstairs

#### December 3

Pam Litton - Sanctuary  
Nancy Crews - 40th St.  
Cathy Ellis - Downstairs

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### Weekly Readings (Week of November 12th)

Day 1	1 Peter 3:13-15
Day 2	Luke 12: 40
Day 3	Proverbs 20:4
Day 4	Psalms 27:14
Day 5	Isaiah 40:31
Day 6	Deuteronomy 6:5

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