

News & Events

Upcoming events for January

19th-**Finance Committee** 5:30
Church Council 6:00 pm
20th-**First Church Men's**
noon Bible Study will resume
at Surcheros. The study will be on
the *Letters of John*
21st-**WNO** resumes
Supper: 5:30 pm
Programs: 6:15 pm
Adults begin study *Prophets and*
Kings: Being God's People in a
Fallen World
Youth/Kids have small groups



Prayer Concerns

New Prayer Requests

Sympathy to Doug & Trisha Rainey in the death of Doug's sister, Patricia Rainey Jones.

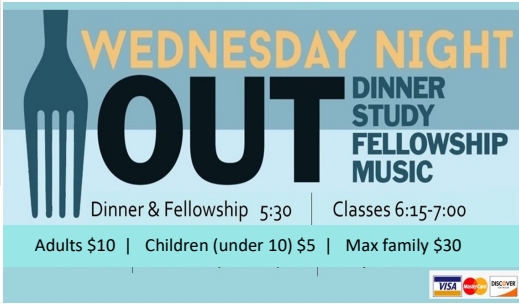
Previous Weeks

Patsy Thornton-cancer
Betty Lynn Baker –improving gradually
Sadi Lamarche started chemo

To all you Young at Heart who love to make a joyful noise, you are invited to come and make music together starting on January 21 at 11:00 am in the choir room. Bring someone with you.



Finance Committee will meet at **5:30 pm** Monday followed by **Church Council** at **6:00 pm**. Please note the time of these meetings as they are different than usual.



Scan here to make your WNS reservations. You can mark for one week or permanent. All reservations must be made by Monday noon. You can also sign up on the connection card or call the church office.

Pray for Our Shut Ins

At Home

Joe Cook Cindy Jenkins Wanda Lewis
Melody Whitaker
Cordele Health & Rehab
Patti Hunt Rm 109 ; Eddie McLemore Rm 403;
Cordelia Manor-Fellowship Home
Sandra Windham
Oaks at Oakland Plantation-Arleeta
Henry –166 Oakland Pkwy, Leesburg, GA 31763
The Phoenix @ Lake Joy
Sandra Duckworth
Military members serving
Pilcher Thornton Jesus Juarez A J Rainey

Daily Devotions & Scriptures

Monday, January 19 Read Colossians 1:15-20

This section probably originated as a hymn designed to help early believers memorize the basics of their faith and help them avoid dedicating themselves to lesser ‘gods.’ Reflect on some of those ‘lesser gods’ in our own time that demand the best of our talent and energy. How might keeping this revelation of the nature of Christ in the forefront help us grow as disciples? What specific responses or prioritizations does the divinity of Jesus demand of you personally? Why?

Tuesday, January 20 Read 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Despite his many failings and missteps, David continually trusted God. What words of assurance and comfort does David offer us here and how can we understand them in our own time and circumstances? While none of us are rulers, what do vv.3-4 say about the ways in which we order our lives and deal with others?

Wednesday, January 21 Read Acts 5:17-42

The resurrection of Jesus drives a fundamental change in the disciples. Before that they were scared and timid. Afterwards, as in this reading, they were bold and uncompromising (vv.28-29). What often makes us timid in our discipleship and how can the Resurrected Christ embolden us? How can Gamaliel's appraisal in vv.38-39 remind us of where we should put our trust, even when things don't seem to work?

Thursday, January 22 Read Revelation 1:4b-8

C.S. Lewis once stated that Jesus, in declaring himself to be the Incarnate God, was either a liar or a lunatic or precisely who he said he was. You can't have it both ways though we regularly try to reduce him to good teacher or mere moral philosopher. If He is God, as this reading makes abundantly clear, then we must take seriously his commandments and the way of life to which he calls us. What would taking Jesus for who he is mean in your day to day activities? Think of specific examples.

Friday, January 23 Read John 18:33-37

We have a habit of bending “truth” to fit what we already like or want to do. What does Jesus mean in v.37? How would *He* define “listening to his voice?” Note that Pilate is looking for an easy solution to dealing with Jesus and Jesus won't give it to him. In what ways are we similar to Pilate?

Saturday, January 24 Read Psalm 93

God is easier if we contain him in cartoon imagery or in a list of “do's” and “don'ts,” or in a series of religious rituals. How does the psalmist's imagery here remind us that we cannot contain or even fully understand God? Why is this important if we are to be people of true faith and belief?

By The Numbers

EMBRACE 449

Total Attendance in Worship

Emerge: 329 | Traditions: 88

Nuevo Pacto: 32

Total Missions Attendance

SOUL Food:

Outreach Communion:

INVEST 444

Total Groups and Classes

Adults: 313

Youth: 83 | Children: 48

ADVANCE

Given this week:	\$49,078.00
Budget Receipts	\$15,861.00
Weekly Needs	\$22,510.00
Designated Gifts:	\$1,154.00
Renovations/Repairs	\$32,063.00
Pledges	\$1,003,120.00

Year to Date

Non-Budget Giving	\$1,490
Budget Needs	\$45,020
Budget Giving	\$33,264

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