



January 2019



The Church Bell

"Follow the Bells"

A Note from Your Pastor

"A New Year, A New Start"

Genesis 6:18, "Noah was now 601 years old. On the first day of the new year, ten and a half months after the flood began, the floodwaters had almost dried up from the earth. Noah lifted back the covering of the boat and saw that the surface of the ground was drying" (NLT-SE).

Each day many people depart the privacy of their homes and enter into public living. They interact with co-workers, friends, neighbors, and strangers. In living our lives in public places, we often conceal our true emotions, hurt, guilt, and even anger. I had time to reflect in December after the passing of one whom was my brother in Christ and I recall sitting in the Cortland McDonalds trying to hold back tears and attempting my best to conceal my emotion from the rest of the dinners. If we had time to sit with the people we encounter on a daily basis, I believe that we would be taken back at the pain, hurt, and sorrow that many are experiencing.

With this "new year" remember the passage from Genesis 6:18 and sit for a moment and ponder. On the first day of the new year, the world began again. A new beginning was taking place. The old world and all its follies had been wiped away, destroyed by a global flood. All that remained was Noah, his family, and what they had brought with them on the ark. There is no doubt that Noah and his family experienced hurt and sorrow as they watched all that they knew be destroyed. They lost many friends and distant relatives to the flood which was met to wipe out the unrighteous, but Noah did not curse God, instead he looked to God and was obedient to Him. After going through ten and a half months of tragedy a new year dawned, and with that new year came new hopes. Hopes of rebuilding their lives. Hopes of prosperity. Hopes of the unknown all while know that God would be with them, leading them.

This new year I encourage you to hope for something, someone. Hope in a better tomorrow, a better year. 2019 will bring its own struggles but let us not pile on those that which came in 2018. Let us put 2018 to bed for last year has passed on, and let us experience this new year together with the added sensitivity that each of us could use a little love and encouragement. Above all I encourage you to begin this new year with Jesus Christ guiding you. Let Him pull back the waters and reveal to you dry land to walk on and for your hopes to prosper on.

Happy New Year!

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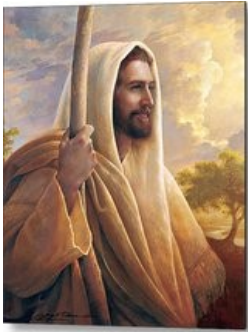
Pastor

Casey Chapman

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**Jonathan Gallo
Organist**

**Joyce Hall
Administrative
Assistant**



January 2019 Worship Leaders

January 6

January 13

January 20

January 27

No Information
as of this
printing

Deacons: Terry Swauger 330-720-0346
Barb Bradford, Judy Hansel, Mackenzie Polakoff,
Jack Hanna, Carol Glancy, Cindy Miller

Deaconess: Barb Bradford

Organ and Keyboard: Jonathan Gallo

Musical Director: Darlene Ball

Pastor Casey

is available Monday-Thursday

from 8am-1pm

Need to see him? or speak to him ?

call 330-637-4611 or 814-573-8148

Office is open

Monday-Thursday

8 am-1Pm

Call or stop in!



2019 Happy New Year

Coffee Fellowship

January 6 — Susan Mc Crimmon and

Diana Martin

January 13 — Carol Deemer

January 20 — Chili Cook-Off

January 27 — Bob and Betty
Evans



Budgeted monthly expense \$10,500

Month ————— December 26, 2018

Offering Received	\$10,486.00
Expenses	\$8,587.00
Balance	\$1899.00

\$10,000
needed
monthly
just to
main-
tain
CCC

Monthly Mortgage Payment \$2047.67

December Financial Report

Year to date—Jan 1, 2018 to Dec. 26, 2018

Offering Received	\$120,585.00
Expenses	\$121,517.00
Balance	- \$931.00

Mortgage Balance \$61,470.25

Happy Birthday

January 6 Sydney Carr
January 9 Matthew Ball
January 18 Jerry Polakoff
January 18 Judy Hansel
January 25 Addison Miller
January Sandra Romsberger



Happy Anniversary

No Anniversaries



Church Meetings

Tuesday, January 8

Financial Meeting

6:15pm

Board Meeting

7pm

Elders Meeting

Third Sunday of the month



Women's Fellowship

"Brunch with Friends"
W.O.W

Saturday, January 12 — 10 am
Four Star Restaurant

Always! Let's 'to talk about.

**Ladies Come join in and
find out what is happening here at CCC.**



WHY JESUS IS BETTER THAN SANTA CLAUS

Santa lives at the North Pole..
Jesus is everywhere.

Santa rides in a sleigh...
Jesus rides on the wind and walks on the water.

Santa comes but once a year....
Jesus is an ever present help.

Santa fill your stockings with goodies....
Jesus supplies all your needs.

Santa comes down your chimney uninvited...
Jesus stands at your door and knocks, and then enters your heart when invited.

You have to wait in line to see Santa...
Jesus is as close as the mention of His name.

Santa lets you sit on his lap...
Jesus lets you rest in His arms.

Santa doesn't know your name, all he can say is "Hi, little boy or girl". What's your name?...
Jesus knew our name before we did. Not only does He know our name, He knows our address too. He knows our history and future and He even knows how many hairs are on our heads.

Santa has a belly like a bowl full of jelly...
Jesus has a heart full of love.

All Santa can offer is HO HO HO...
Jesus says, "Cast all your cares on me for I care for you"

Santa's little helpers make toys...
Jesus makes new life, mends wounded hearts, repairs broken homes and builds mansions.

Santa may make you chuckle but....
Jesus gives you joy that is your strength.

While Santa puts gifts under your tree...
Jesus became "our gift" and died on a tree.

It's obvious to remember WHO Christmas is all about.
We need to put Christ back in CHRISTmas Jesus is still the reason for the season.

Yes, Jesus is better, he is even better than Santa Claus...

Jesus is our Gift, the ultimate gift. But I still love my Santa Claus, for an altogether reason, he makes us happy, and teaches us, in a different way to learn to give, and make others happy.



Red Cross Blood Drive

Garden Brook Banquet Center

January 10th Noon to 6 pm.

Sponsored by

Cortland Christian Church

Need volunteers for:

Noon-2pm— 2 volunteers

2-4 pm — 2 volunteers

4-6pm — 2 volunteers

Please sign up on the
Volunteer Sheet in the Narthex.



L.O.A.F. Meeting

Thursday, January 3, 2019
10 AM

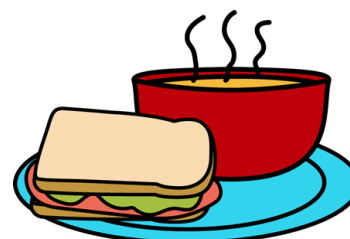
Here at
Cortland Christian Church

Looking for a volunteer or two,



*Lets have a
great
New Year*

Soup and Sandwich Luncheon



Soup and Sandwich will
resume on
January 17, 2019

You know the needs,
helpers and your "wonderful pies"

Prep day is the 16th at 9am

See you there....



"Lord, I lay before you the prayer concerns
voiced this morning . . . even though most
of 'em sound like whining to me."

January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1. Happy New Year	2. Joyful Noise	3. Aerobics	4. 	5. Aerobics
6. Sunday Service 10 am	7. Girl Scouts Aerobics	8.	9. Blood Drive CCC Garden Brook 12-6pm	10. LOAF Here at CCC Aerobics	11. 	12. Aerobics Breakfast With Friends 10am Four Star Rest.
13. Sunday Service 10 am	14. Aerobics	15. 	16. S/S Prep Day 9am Joyful Noise	17. Soup and Sandwich District IV Here at 10am	18.	19. Aerobics
20. Service 10am Chili Cook-Off Elders Meeting	21. Girl Scouts Aerobics	22.	23. Joyful Noise	24. Aerobics	25. 	26. Aerobics
27. Sunday Service 10 am	28. Aerobics	29. 	30. Joyful Noise	31. Aerobics		

Pray for our "Shut-Ins" and "other friends" who would enjoy a Christmas card
Send them a note of encouragement and let them know we care that we care.

Phyllis Beer

Lake Vista
41 Heron Circle
Cortland, Ohio 44410
330-637-1456

Grace Wagner

Gillette Rehab
Room 613
3310 Elm Rd. N. E.
Warren, Ohio 44483

Erma Bellitt

545 Fowler Street,
Cortland, Ohio

Bob and Mary Jo Johnson

328 Orchard Lane
Cortland, Ohio

Raymond Kline

502 Arcaro Street
Cortland, Ohio 44410
234-244-4241

Kathie Bates

Room 105
369 N. High Street
Cortland, Ohio 44410



Edwin Niemi

Lake Vista
Apt. 207
Mecca Street,
Cortland, Ohio

Chuck Lucy

73 Lake Vista Drive
Cortland, Ohio

Nancy Governor

5172 Ohio State Rt 46
Cortland, Ohio

Lauralee Lawrence

124 Willow Street
Cortland, Ohio 44410

Kathy Miller

416 North High St.
Cortland, Ohio 44410

Dust if You Must

Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better
To paint a picture, or write a letter,
Bake a cake, or plant a seed;
Ponder the difference between want and need

Dust if you must, but there's not much time,
With rivers to swim, and mountains to climb;
Music to hear, and books to read;
Friends to cherish, and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there
With the sun in your eyes, and the wind in your hair;
A flutter of snow, a shower of rain,
This day will not come around again

Dust if you must, but bear in mind,
Old age will come and it's not kind.
And when you go (and go you must)
You, yourself, will make more dust.

This was written by a black man in Texas.

Who are you calling colored?

When I born, I black.
When I grow up, I black.
When I go in sun, I black.
When I cold, I black.
When I scared, I black.
When I sick, I black.
And when I die, I still black.

You white folks...

When you born, you pink.
When you grow up, you white.
When you go in sun, you red.
When you cold, you blue.
When you scared, you yellow.
When you sick, you green.
When you bruised, you purple.
And when you die, you gray.

So who you callin' colored??



Disciples IV Disciples Meeting



January 17
10am –Noon
In the Baldwin Room.

Hosted by
Cortland Christian Church

Holiday Recipe

4 cups of Love	5 teaspoon Hope
4 Cups of Loyalty	2 teaspoon of Tenderness
3 Cups of Forgiveness	4 Quarts of Faith
1 Cup of Friendship	1 Barrel of Laughter

Take love and loyalty, mix it thoroughly with faith.
Blend it with tenderness, kindness and understanding.
Sprinkle abundantly with laughter.
Bake it with sunshine. Serve daily, with generous helpings.

Author Unknown

Submitted by Jean Scott



The Cookie Sale

Thank you so much to everyone who helped in any way to make the Cookie Sale a success.

It is a huge endeavor, much thought, many hours of baking, decorating, traying and selling make it very time consuming especially during the holiday season, but well worth it as we are able to do much with the proceeds.

The profits are used in many outreach missions, include Casa Julie,, we support our missionary in Greece, and many local outreaches in our community. We also are here to help when special things are needed within our church.

All the ornaments on our sanctuary tree and the fellowship tree, were made by the Women of Worship, windows have been replaced, all the centerpieces replaced or fixed, appliances and instruments for the kitchen, finance the Spring Tea, where we try to reach out into the city.

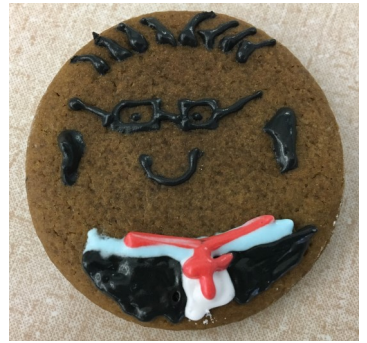
We helped support the Buckeye Pantry.

Ans so much more.

So again, thank you so much.



Does this remind you of anyone?



Over 2500 cookies

Some new designs

Do we look like we are having fun? Well! we are, we even stopped to have lunch with SCOPE



Some of our wonderful cookie makers are pictured, however some are not. But they know who they are, thank you all so very much.



Home Schooling

A single mom has seven kids, and when her oldest one, a girl, went to school, she found out that the teacher told her she wasn't allowed to pray over her lunch. So, this single mom who didn't even have a high school diploma pulled her daughter out of school to homeschool her, and this was back before homeschooling was as popular as it is now. It wasn't official back then either. They were subject to harassment from the school. The school bus would sit outside and lay on the horn every morning. The bus driver would yell "truant" and sometimes even get out and come beat on the door. The school would call all the time, and they stopped answering the phone.

One day, she finally got what she had feared for a long time, an official letter saying she had to go to court for her daughter's truancy. She was dazed as she read the letter. She couldn't believe what she was reading, and she let the letter fall out of her hand in despair. Her daughter came up and asked her if it was bad news. She said yes, and the daughter asked if she could read the letter. Since it was about her, the mom let her read the letter, and without the mom noticing right away, the 6-year-old girl had pulled out a red pen and begun to circle several grammatical and spelling errors in the letter. Her mom scolded her, saying she wasn't supposed to do that to other people's papers. She had done that to her daughter's papers as she taught her at home...

So, she went to court, and she took the letter with her to make sure she went to the right place and all. When she was before the judge, he asked her if she knew what she was there for. She handed him the letter; she had forgotten about the markings. She figured he would ask her a bunch of questions about her own education and conclude she was unfit to homeschool her daughter and order her to go to school. But the judge looked at the letter, and he asked, "Who put these markings on here?" She told him her daughter had and was apologizing...

The judge took off his glasses and looked back at the letter. He told her, "Well, the reason you're here today is that it is suspected that your daughter is not being properly educated. However, it appears that she is being educated, and from what I see here, it is clearly not coming from the public schools. This case is dismissed."

She hadn't realized it, But she had taught her 1st grade daughter to a 7th grade reading level.

Hello God, I called tonight
To talk a little while.
I need a friend who'll listen
To my anxiety and trial.

You see, I can't quite make it
Through a day just on my own.
I need your love to guide me,
So I'll never feel alone.

I want to ask you please to keep
My family safe and sound.
Come and fill their lives with confidence
For whatever fate they're bound.

Give me faith, dear God, to face
Each hour throughout the day
And not to worry over things
I can't change in any way.

I thank you God for being home
And listening to my call,
For giving me such good advice
When I stumble and fall.

Your number, God, is the only one
That answers every time.
I never get a busy signal,
Never had to pay a dime.

So thank you, God, for listening
To my troubles and my sorrow.
Good night, God, I love You too,
And I'll call again tomorrow!



Great Bowls of Fire CHILI Cook-off

January 20 After Church Service

Dust off your favorite recipe and your crock-pot, cook up a big batch. Bring it that Sunday and "share" in the fun.



Prizes
will be
awarded.



"Thanks to all"

who honored or gave in memory of their loved ones a beautiful live Poinsettia, and let decorate the Sanctuary with them .

Christmas Sunday
Service and
Christmas Eve Service
Were far more beautiful
with the
addition of these gorgeous poinsettias.



Do you know who is this?

There is a clue in the picture, she is a member and has many gifts to offer.

So, Who is she?



Are
these
ever
sweet
photos
of an
adorable
little
girl?



Mom and Dad: Oh DEER!

This is a true story , the early stage of her parents in the Alzheimer's.

For the past few months, I've noticed deer droppings in my parents' back yard. I've never managed to get there at a time when they were there, but, it's apparent they are frequent visitors. I've mentioned it to Mom a few times and suggested they try to get up early enough to watch them in the morning. Well very early last Friday morning they finally saw them. They were in the neighbors yard and Dad was quite excited by the sight—woke Mom to show her.

I got there a few hours later and Dad was still excited by the "Mans' in the yard. I asked if they were eating? 'No, the mans were just standing there" says Dad. "No, Bill, they were eating." says Mom. It was the topic of discussion for the entire day. As I drove home that evening, it made me smile to remember how happy seeing those deer had made Dad feel, and how much fun he had telling me all about it!



Later that evening Mom called. "What was that animal we saw in the neighbors back yard? I want to call them to tell them what we saw but I can't remember. Was it a kangaroo?" I could only think "...."

I hit the speaker so Tom could hear and asked Mom, "What kind of animal did you think it was?" "A kangaroo. I couldn't remember. I was going to look it up in the dictionary but I forgot what I was looking up. I want to tell the neighbors they had visitors.

"Deer, Mom. They were deer." They've been coming around for months. You have deer droppings in your back yard." "We didn't see them in our yard. They were in the neighbors yard. What did you say they were again? Dogs?" "Deer!"

"Are those reindeer?" "White tailed deer." "Hold on, let me write this down." Tom and I exchange glances. Next morning, I run into the neighbor and ask what kind of animal did Mom finally come up with to tell them about? She got it right, but she had to check what she'd written down..

He was just glad she had not called at 1 in the morning when she said they first saw them. You can't make this stuff up! Every time it starts to hurt the funny comes back. I believe they raised me with a sense of humor and would have wanted me to laugh at moments like these. They would also have wanted me to share the humor with other people.

We were shopping when Mom called to ask what kind of animal it was. There, in the middle of Christmas decoration, my heart broke a little. I turned and when I looked up I was staring Rudolph in the face. While Mom goes on about how she was going to look it up in the dictionary, I'm imagining Rudolph and friends hopping around like kangaroos.



Christmas Eve Service

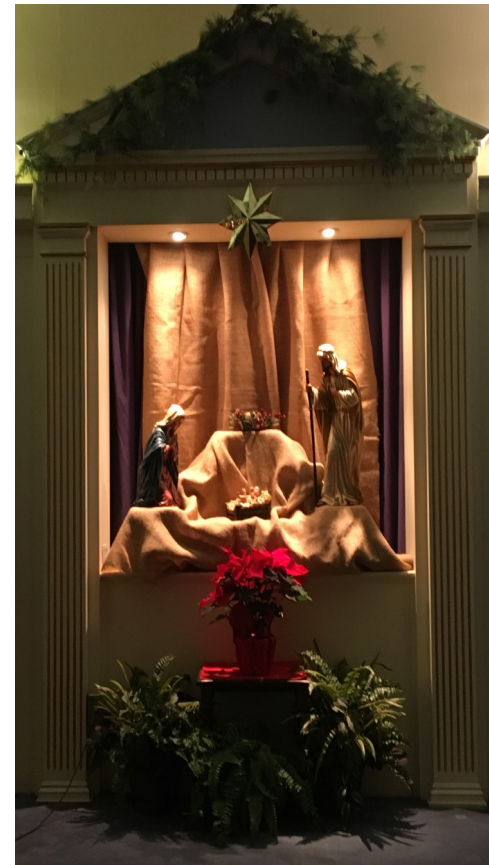
What a wonderful way to spend Christmas Eve.

The gathering together of so many caring people to listen to the story of the birth of Christ, to sing songs in tribute to our Prince of Peace, to sing and pray by candlelight, Pastor Casey's message and communion, Were all so very heart warming

The world should experience this moment in time.

A Special "Thank you" to Pastor Casey,
For cookies and eggnog, and fellowship after the service.

Christmas at Cortland Christian



Hope you
checked out all
the Christian sym-
bols on our tree.
This tree and the
one in the fellow-
ship are loaded
with these
symbols



Just refreshing the
memory of this sea-
son at CCC, as very
soon we will have to
take it all down.

But what beautiful
memories we have.

Our church is always
beautiful but Christ-
mas is always special.

Please!

Be a volunteer to
help take this all
down and help put
it away.

We will need help
taking the trees to
their storage area.

Here is a great way to entertain your family when they come to visit, other than eating, playing cards and games, watching a movie or doing something outside, sometimes the weather doesn't cooperate. Anytime, if you don't keep them entertained they are playing on a device, all heads down and thumbs moving like they are on fire.

This place called **"Cornerfield Train Museum and Store",** was advertised in our local newspaper so this past week we drove up to see it. We made of day of it as we also ate at Mary Yoder's in Middlefield. This place is 8 miles away from this restaurant.

As it is, my family loves model trains, we all had a train or two and a small display with houses and trees, some were electrified. However, they do not compare to what we were about to witness. This place is out in the country but is very large with a huge, monstrously huge display. It was impossible to take everything in. we could have spent hours watching the trains go by and looking at all the action in the city and country scenes. The church even had a wedding going on, you could see it in action. A train shop on one of the streets had a moving mini train on a track running around a track in the window of the shop.

If you look closely you can see the cars going up on the roller coaster, trolleys, old fashioned diners. Factories, camp grounds, construction, and accident with ambulances and police cars all lit up and flashing.

If you are not interested OK. Not everyone will be. But if you see this display you will be as amazed as we were. Here is the address and website. Cornerfield Train Museum and Store, 16720 Pioneer Road, Middlefield, OH 44062 440-636-5162

There lots of pictures to look at but the experience of seeing it for yourself is worth the trip.

<http://cornerfieldmodelrailroadmuseumandhobby.com/home.html> or look it up on Facebook.



**Happy New Year to
you and yours.**

**May the year ahead be a
Happy and Healthy year.**

**May God Bless you
all,**

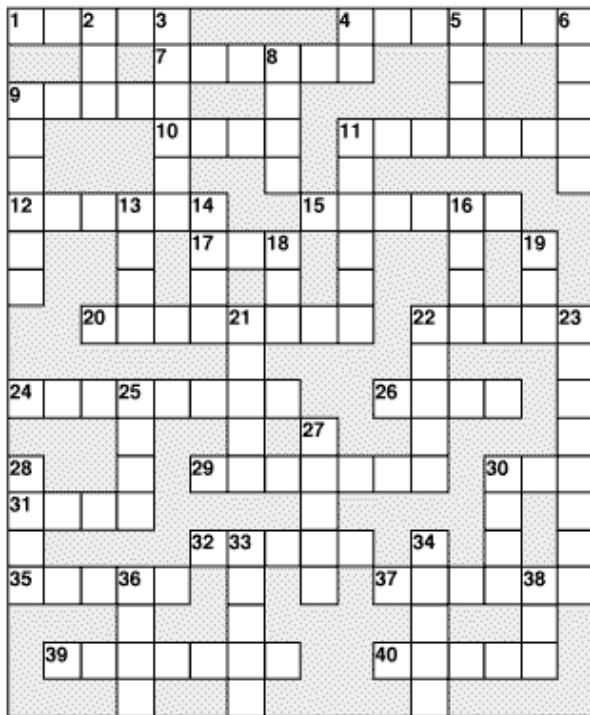
Joyce



If you wish to do this puzzle, you can print just this page on your computer.



Winter Crossword



Down:

2. Frozen water
3. Small
4. Myself
5. Small pie
6. Neck warmer
8. Chilly
9. Used to move snow
11. A season
13. Strong emotion
14. Ripped
16. Nil
18. Bath _____
19. Cloud of water vapour
21. Last month of winter
22. Wooden snow vehicles
23. Winter road condition
25. Be carried on
27. Locomotive
28. Carried along by wind
30. Piece of hockey equipment
33. Make this in the snow
34. Winter foot wear
36. Faucets can do this
38. You hear with this

cross:

1. Sudden cold breeze
1. Hand warmers
7. Hanging spike of ice
3. Freezing rain
3. Show and _____
1. Conditions outside
2. Flowering plant, colour
5. Achoo
7. Not in
3. Month of winter
2. Carols, etc.
24. Valentine month
26. Thaw
29. Keeps drinks warm
30. Small dog
31. Winter Olympic sport
32. Silky material
35. Breezy
37. Ice sport
39. Foot warmer
40. Direct a vehicle's course



"My memory is gone, so I changed my password to "Incorrect."
That way when I log in with the wrong password, the computer will tell me... "Your password is incorrect."



minister was walking to church one morning when he passed one of his members working in his garden. "Can't you hear those bells calling you to church?" asked the minister.

"Eh, what's that?" said the member.

"Can't you hear those bells calling you to church?"

"I'm afraid you'll have to speak a little louder!" said the member.

"CAN'T YOU HEAR THOSE BELLS CALLING YOU TO CHURCH?!" shouted the minister.

"I'm sorry," said the member, "I can't hear you because of those damned BELLS!"

1. What can point in every direction but cannot reach the destination by itself? What am I?
2. I'm not clothes but I cover your body; the more I'm used, the thinner I grow. What am I?
3. What 8 letter word can have a letter taken away and it still makes a word. Take another letter away and it still makes a word. Keep on doing that until you have one letter left. What is the word?

1. Your finger..
2. A bar of soap.
3. The word is starting! starting, starting, string, sting, slin, sin, l.

WINTER WORD SEARCH



See how many of these words you can find in the puzzle. The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

1. Snow
2. Snowman
3. Winter
4. Weather
5. Shovel
6. Cold
7. Freezing
8. Snowflake
9. Slippery
10. Slide
11. Sledding
12. Skating
13. Scarf
14. Hat
15. Earmuffs
16. Mittens