

The Christian Caller
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Our Mission Statement

To help one another grow in Christian faith through worship, witness, fellowship, and service to our community and the world.

January 15 Caller



Prayer Concerns

In the hospital: Evelyn DeCou

Local Concerns: Maxine Wescott, Fred & Helen Eisele, Ron Black

Continuing Concerns: Nadine Timmons, Louise Kelsey, Clara & David McCluskey, Howard Svaty, Marvin & Mardina Gregory, Wayne Sircoulomb, Bob Compton, Evelyn DeCou, Diane Carver, Linda Shue, Evelyn Tarter, Lois Ramsey, Charlie North, George Chapman, Margaret Shinkle, Emagene Walton, Carol Turner

Our extended family: Chuck Baker, J. D. Cox, Jimmy Kieth, John Siewart, Steve Martin, Joleen Smith, Rita Renfro, Bill Ward, Debbie Sunthimer, Sharon Heien, Maxine Wilson, JR Schwarz, Justin Voorhies, Taylor Lawson and grandfather, and our uniformed men and women serving our country at home and abroad. All storm and wild fire victims as well as shooting victims.

Please call the church office (378-4118) with information or updates related to illnesses, hospitalizations, crisis, or immediate family deaths, so that care can be offered.

Financial Report

Sunday	
Jan. 05	\$ 2507.08
Jan. 12	\$ 2556.11



Happy Birthday!

Jan. 16 – Carl Thornton*
Helen Eisele*

Jan. 18 – Aiden Harrelson

Jan. 25 – George Chapman*



Happy Anniversary!

Jan. 25 – David & Clara McClusky
(56 Years)



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the prayers, cards, and calls while I recover from my knee surgery. It is slow going, but every day is an improvement. Fred is improving as well.

Thanks again.

Helen Eisele

Deacon schedules will be in the mail shortly.



Called to Serve – Jan. – Feb.

Sunday, January 19

Table Elders: Marvin Gregory & Merlyn Ramsey
Home Communion: Carl Thornton
Deacons: Zac Ramsey & Susan Voorhies
Deaconesses: Liz North, Melissa Millar, Reannon Hickey
Greeter: Delores Kempinger
Usher: Marilyn Compton AV. Nancy Burns
Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
Lay leader: Mike Jeffers

Sunday, January 26

Table Elders: Mike Jeffers & Ed Viers
Home Communion: Nancy Rogers
Deacons: Ray Barger & Cary Hutton
Deaconesses: Liz North, Melissa Millar, Reannon Hickey
Greeter: Carol Bernauer
Usher: Claudia Marr AV. Merlyn Ramsey
Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
Lay leader: Anita Smith

Sunday, February 02

Table Elders: Carl Thornton & David Rogers
Home Communion: Mike Jeffers
Deacons: Pat & Jess Reed
Deaconesses: Becky Ramsey
Greeter: Tina Thomas
Usher: Rex Thomas AV. Jess Reed
Children's Chat: Becky Ramsey
Lay leader: Ed Viers

Church Board meeting will be February the 12th at 6:00 p.m.

If you have made your point, stop talking.

You are what you do, not what you say.



A Message from Pastor Shue

This past week the weather was very much like spring, and then old man winter came back for a short time to remind us it is winter. So far this winter hasn't been bad and hopefully it will stay that way until spring comes. Mary and I have started to pack our bags for our vacation. Everyone who is going is pretty excited about the trip. We will be gone from January 17 thru January 26th. Please remember I will have my cell phone with me so if you have an emergency just call us.

Also don't forget I am still going on my mission trip to Santa Emilia, Nicaragua from the 19th thru the 26th of February. I will be taking an extra suitcase full of school supplies so if you are able to pick up a bag of pens or a box or two of pencils or a box of colored pencils that would be great. You have no idea how precious a gift of a pencil is to many children that have so little. We will be working on the water system for the village this time. Part of the water project this time is helping to develop a different water source. In the past the water came from high up in the mountains, this new water source will utilize a nearby river. This comes with a new challenge. The system must have a way to help purify the water. This is phase one. Because of the limited funds that we had this was all that we were going to be able to do this year, but because of the generosity of an individual we will now be able to do phase two as well. Phase two consists of us being able to join another twenty-five houses to the water system. These twenty-five houses will have a water faucet in their front yards. Not having to walk to carry water is a huge life changing event. I would like to thank everyone that has been a part of this mission for the last five years.

I hope each of you have a truly blessed week.

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor Claude

Wishing You a Speedy Recovery



This beautiful cake made by Shirley Freeman was in honor of Evelyn De Cou to help her celebrate her 102nd birthday. Unfortunately, Evelyn fell Saturday evening and broke her hip. It has been reported that she had surgery and came thru just fine and is walking the halls in Parsons Hospital. We have frozen the cake and will enjoy it with her when she is well enough to come.

Meanwhile we wish her a speedy successful recovery.

Carl Thornton Celebrating 95 Years

Even though the weather was not the greatest there was still a good turnout Sunday afternoon for the open house held for Carl Thornton to help him celebrate his 95th birthday.

Ron Black is also recovering from knee surgery. He says he is getting along quite well. He is able to walk with a cane. He still has swelling but all in all is able to get around and is quite happy with his progress.



A Picture of Winter

The first snow came unannounced
A beautiful blanket of white
Covered the grass now winter browned
And, oh what a lovely sight

It clung to the tree limbs of a giant cedar
And I watched in anticipation
To me, there's nothing neater
Than the unfolding of God's creation

The dazzling beauty of each tiny flake
And knowing no two are the same
Made me wonder how God could make
Something so small glorify His name

Yet He, in all His splendor
Was able to create
A scene so beautifully tender
And show the world how great

His imagery lays before us
So magnificent and so grand
And how he holds the universe
In the hollow of His hand

As you reflect on this picture of winter
And the marvelous joy it gives
Give thanks and praise to the sender
Be glad that our God lives

~Curtis Moorman

Notes from Evangelist Billy Graham

who passed away 02/21/2018 at age 99.

"My home is in Heaven. I'm just passing through this world. The moment we take our last breath on earth, we take our first in Heaven. Without resurrection the cross is meaningless. The cross shows us the seriousness of our sin- but it also shows us the immeasurable love of God. The will of God will not take us where the grace of God cannot sustain us. Take one day at a time. Today, after all, is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday. God has given us two hands, one to receive with and the other to give with. There is nothing wrong with men possessing riches. The wrong is when the riches possess men. When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost, something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost. It is the Holy Spirit's job to convict, God's job to judge and my job to love. We are the Bibles the world is reading; we are the creeds the world is needing; we are the sermons the world is heeding. I have never known anyone to accept Christ's redemption and later regret it. Being a Christian is more than just instantaneous conversion – it is a daily process whereby you grow to be more like Christ. The message I preach hasn't changed. Problems have changed, but deep inside man has not changed and the gospel hasn't changed. Comfort and prosperity have never enriched the world as much as adversity has. Mountain tops are for views and inspiration, but valleys are where the fruit is grown. Someone asked me recently if I didn't think God was unfair, allowing me to have Parkinson's and other medical problems when I have tried to serve Him faithfully. I replied that I did not see it that way at all. Suffering is part of the human condition, and it comes to us all. The key is how we react to it, either turning away from God in anger and bitterness or growing closer to Him in trust and confidence."

Worry is the interest paid on trouble before it is due.

In memory of Martin Luther King Jr.
whose birthday is observed the third Monday of January each year. Some of his famous quotes:

"injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

"The time is always right to do what is right."

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

"In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends."

"I have a dream that one day my four little children will live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."



On Our Calendar

- Jan. 15- 9:00 - Prayer Group
- 9:00 – 10:00 - Exercise Group
- 1:30 – Thrift shop Advisory Board meeting
- 7:00 - Choir
- Jan. 16 -6:00 – Leaders Class Party
- Jan. 17- 9:00 – 10:00 - Exercise Group
- Jan. 18 -7:00 – Men's Fellowship Breakfast
- Jan. 20 -9:00 – 10:00 - Exercise Group
- 5:00 -7:00 Youth Group
- Jan. 21 -2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters
- 5:00 – Cadet Scouts
- Jan. 22 -9:00 a.m. Prayer Group
- 9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group
- 7:00 – Choir
- Jan. 24–9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group
- Jan. 27 –9:00 – 10:00 Exercise Group
- Jan. 28 -2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Homeless Matters
- 5:00 – Cadet Scouts

New Caller January 29

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