
COLLEGE MOUND GAZETTE



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Prayers & Joys

Please pray for our nation, our leaders, our troops, our law enforcement officers, and relationships during these challenging times, the Healthy Church Initiative (HCI), those traveling over the holidays, Joy that Britany passed nursing school, Joy for David Ousley and his wife, who have a new baby girl. (David is the pastor at Poetry UMC), Lillian Negri, Jennifer Holcomb, Rhonda Argenbrite, Gary VanRy, Family of Ann Coughron (Her brother in Kansas passed away), Family of Peggy Nadolski, Joe Harris (Surgery went well. He's back at home recuperating), the family of Joann Cowart, the Paul Spradling Family, Larry's sister, Beki, Larry's aunt, Jane, Richard Easingwood, Judy Brin (lost her dog)

This Week at College Mound January 6-12, 2019

- ☞ **United Methodist Women:**
Tuesday, January 8th, 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- ☞ **Men's Group:**
Tuesday, January 8th, 6:30 p.m. at Hickory Roots
- ☞ **Game Night:**
Thursday, January 10th, 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
- ☞ **Supper Club:**
Friday, January 11th, 5:30 p.m. at a restaurant TBD
- ☞ **Birthdays and Anniversaries:**
Tonda Barton – January 9th
Starla Arredondo – January 10th
Chris Arredondo – January 11th



Last Sunday, December 30th

Attendance in Sunday School: 21

Attendance in church: 79



Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17 Clothe yourself with love!

Sermon: "Dressing for the Work of God" Rev. Reid Fade, a retired elder in the UMC, brought our message this morning. Paul's letter to the Colossians talks about how to properly "clothe" ourselves with virtues: compassion, kindness, humility, patience and above all, love. What a great world it would be if we all would put on the mantle of Christ each morning and lived and talked and thought as Jesus would! Dress for God's work!



Rev. Reid Fade (here with her husband) gave a great sermon last Sunday. So happy to have them with us!

Today is Epiphany, and it is traditional in some households to perform a blessing ceremony for your home. Here's how you can do it! Take a piece of chalk and mark over the top of the doorway to your home:

20 + C + M + B + 19

A prayer may then be said to bless the home, such as this:

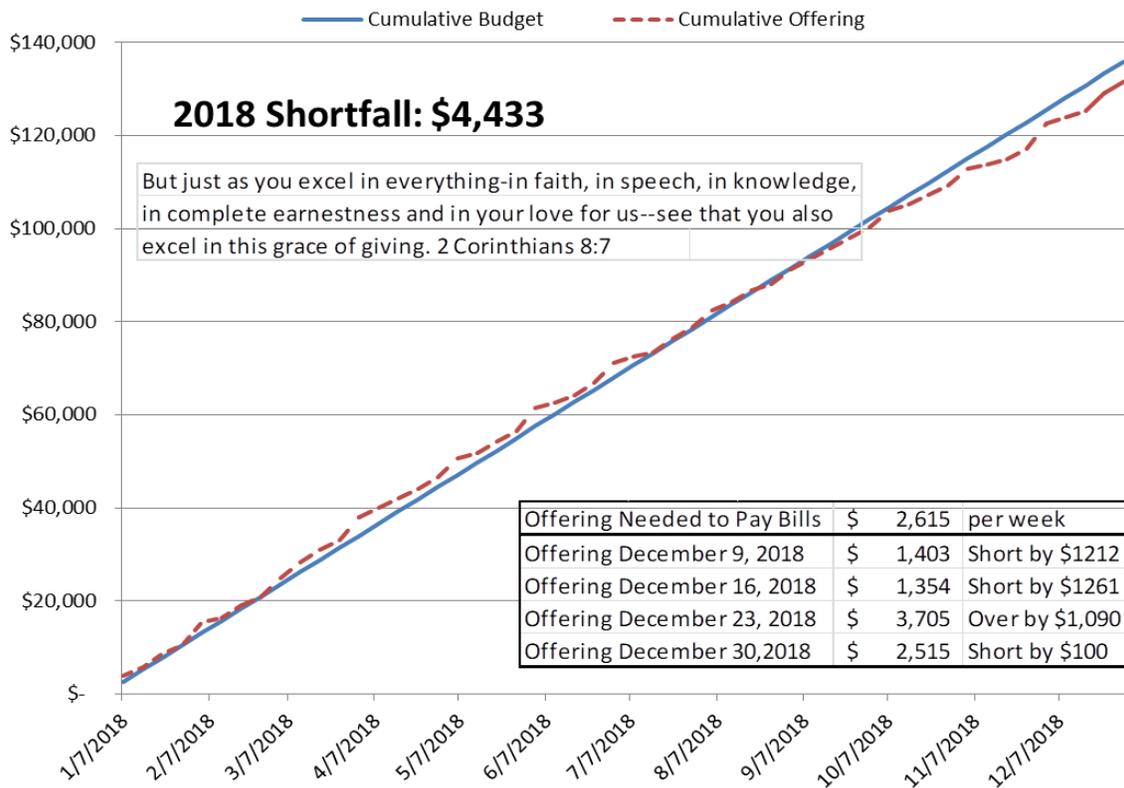
The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and nineteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

The "C+M+B" has a couple of meanings. They stand for Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar, the three wise men. Also, it stands for "*Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for "May Christ Bless this House."



Our Healthy Church Initiative program will continue this month with a workshop for the HCI Vision Team. The event will be on Saturday, January 26th, 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. If you are part of this team, please plan to attend this very important workshop to help determine the path forward for College Mound in 2019! Let's make it a great year for CM with more people, more activities, and more work for the Glory of God!

Church Budget at 12/30/18



Have you got any leftover tamales from the holidays? Here's a great way to use them up – make Tamale Soup! Take 5-6 leftover tamales, cut them up into bite-sized pieces, and set aside. Saute ½ cup each of diced onions and bell peppers, with a clove of minced garlic, until softened. Add 3 cups chicken broth, 1 Tbsp. of chile powder, 2 tsp. of cumin & 1 tsp. crushed red pepper. Bring to a boil, then simmer and add 1 can Rotel (undrained), 1 can corn (drained) 1 can black beans (undrained) and the tamales. Let simmer for about 20 minutes. Top with cilantro, tortilla chips or sour cream. So good!