

## Dates to Remember

### December 2018

#### Weekly schedule

#### Sunday

- 9:00 AM Media Center opens
- 9:30 AM Sunday School\*\*
- 10:45 AM Morning Worship\*\*
- 4:30 PM Curry St Crew (Youth)
- 6:00 PM Evening Worship\*\*
- Youth Bible study
- Missions Friends (Ages 3-5)
- Xtreme Praise-(1st-6th grade)

#### Tuesday

- 9:00 AM CDC

#### Wednesday

- 9:00 AM CDC
- 6:00 PM Prayer meeting\*\*
- Children's TeamKid
- Joyful Noise Choir
- 7:00 PM Adult Choir practice\*\*

#### Thursday

- 9:00 AM CDC

\*\* Nursery Provided

#### **Keep in Prayer the Pastor Search Committee**

Kenneth Harvey, LeAnn Hearnberger  
Terry Judd, Cheryl May, Bob Moody  
Dr. Wayne Sessions, Denise Shaw,  
Debbie Watson

Week of Prayer for International  
Missions & Lottie Moon  
December 2-8  
Our Goal: \$5,000

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## Christmas Music 2018



#### *Jesus: Light of the World*

Presented by  
Joyful Noise (Preschool Choir)

#### *A Red Letter Christmas*

Presented by  
Xtreme Praise (Children's  
Choir)

Sunday, December 2  
6:00 pm



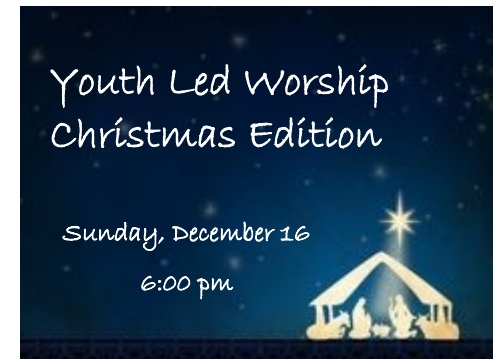
## COME MESSIAH KING

Presented by  
Central Choir



Sunday, December 9  
6:00 pm

Church-wide Fellowship  
Will follow



## Youth Led Worship Christmas Edition

Sunday, December 16  
6:00 pm

Bro. Everett Geis-Interim Pastor      Tim Hardaway-Music/Education Minister  
Patricia Mayfield-Ministry Assistant      Sandra Boyett-Ministry Assistant  
April Nash-Child Develop. Center Dir.

## Words from the Preschool depart.

Hello, Church Family!

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! Our Preschool Department is ready to celebrate Jesus' birthday in a special way this year. This Sunday morning (Dec. 2nd), our preschool choir, *Joyful Noise*, will be performing "Jesus, Light of the World". Kelly Rolan and Kathy Nash have done an outstanding job, and the cuteness will be in overdrive, so don't miss it! Check your Facebook Messenger or send Kelly or me a text for a specific date for our upcoming Christmas party. Parents, please don't forget that we really like to have fun while learning about Jesus, and sometimes that means getting a little messy. Play clothes are a good idea for Sunday and Wednesday nights. Also, there are lots of ways to plug in, so please consider being a volunteer in our Preschool Ministry! We would love for you to hang out with us and see how God is working in the lives of these precious babies!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

Love and Prayers, Mandy Hardaway

## Word from Bro. Everett Geis

Hello Central. I am thrilled that the Lord has given me the privilege and great joy of serving as your interim pastor. One of the highlights of my interim ministry came in 2013 when you asked me to be pastor during your transition. The apostle Paul wrote his second letter to the Thessalonians and expressed his feelings for them; "We are bound to thank God always for you brethren." (2 Thess. 1:3a) These are my thoughts for this dear church.

However, yesterday's blessings are not sufficient for today. I have asked the Lord to give me a vision for the work confronting us. There is one word that is on my heart every time I pray: FAITH. Therefore my challenge to you is for you to be faithful in the following ways: (1) in attendance: this is no time to be lax in your attendance, (2) in giving God's tithe, (3) in outreach: reaching the lost and unchurched. People come to our church in direct proportion as we go. (4) faithful in disciplining people. People need to know how to grow in their Christian life.

I plan to keep regular office hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, but I am available whenever there is a need. Pray for me.

I love you.

## Word from Bro. Tim Hardaway

### *Advent*

#### A Tradition of Anticipation

This Christmas season we will observe the traditional practice of Advent each Sunday leading up to Christmas Day. Two questions may come to mind, what is advent and what does it mean to me?

Advent comes from the Latin word *adventus*, which means "coming" or "visit. During the season of advent, we keep our mind focused on both "advents" of Christ, the first in Bethlehem and the second yet to come. In Advent, we're reminded of how much we ourselves need a Savior, and we look forward to the Savior's second coming even as we prepare to celebrate his first coming at Christmas.

Advent is a season of preparation and a time of expectant waiting with anticipation. It causes us to direct our focus on the Christ of Christmas and away from the secular trappings of materialism that is saturating our world culture today. Waiting is something we all must do and the thing we hate the most. However, waiting for the right thing, for the right reason, and in the right way, can be a joyful time. Advent helps us focus our "waiting" on Christ.

The lighting of the candles in the Advent wreath, accompanied with Scripture, reminds us of love, joy, hope, and peace--things that are longed for by many during this season, yet are only found in Jesus Christ! I hope that Advent will be a meaningful experience for you and draw you closer to Christ in a way you have never experienced before!

## Word from the Youth

Youth  
Curry Street Crew Musical  
Dec. 16, 6 pm

Youth Christmas party  
Wed, December 19, 6:00 pm  
Bring a \$5 gift

Christmas lights-TBD

Play games at the nursing home-TBD

### *Christmas Poinsettias*

If you would like to buy a Poinsettia this year you can purchase one in the church office for \$10.00 each. We have ordered 40 Poinsettia's. Please pick yours up from the sanctuary on Sunday, December 23 after the morning or evening Service.

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