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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:45am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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MISSIONS

-Dustin Bolks
Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-*"In Search of the Lord's
Way"* TV broadcast
-Rod Goddard
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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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**...let me fall now into the
hand of the Lord; for
very great are His mercies...**

1 Chronicles 21:13

We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

We are coming to the time of year that many of our friends and family will be thinking about and talking about the birth of Jesus Christ. Being New Testament Christians, we are people of The Book. That being the case, we recognize there are no Biblical commands, examples, or necessary inferences, to celebrate a religious holiday regarding the birth of Christ. The Bible does not tell us the day Jesus was born and in fact His birth was likely in the springtime as there were shepherds out at night with their flocks, Luke 2:8. This should not diminish the fact that Jesus's birth is the most important of all births. No other birth anywhere or in any way compares to His. Time itself revolves around the birth of Christ. Prior to his birth we have B.C., Before Christ. After his coming we have A.D., Anno Domini, which means "in the year of our Lord." Our recording of every day, month, and year signifies how long it has been since the birth of Jesus Christ.

Yet, since people are already thinking about the birth of Jesus, we should take the opportunity to teach people about Jesus. Such as...

Jesus' Birth Was **Fulfillment Of Old Testament Prophecy**. Isaiah 7:14 prophesied of Christ being **born of a virgin**. "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." The **place of His birth** was prophesied, Micah 5:2, "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting." We read of these being fulfilled in Matthew 1 and 2 as well as Luke 1 and 2. These prophecies **spoke of Jesus** and He fulfilled them all. See Luke 24:44.

Jesus Is the **Foundation of Salvation**. John the Baptist said of Jesus, "Behold the Lamb of God, which **taketh away the sin of the world**," John 1:29. Jesus Himself said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, **but by me**," John 14:6. The angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph and said of Mary, "she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save **his people** from their sins," Matthew 1:21. "His people" are those who obey Him through the Gospel, both Jews and Gentiles. See Acts 15:14; 2 Corinthians 6:16; Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 2:9; Revelation 21:3. Brother Foy E. Wallace, in commenting on Revelation 21:3 said correctly, "Here the fundamental truth that the Father and the Son are one found its expression. The kingdom of Christ and the kingdom of God are one kingdom (Eph. 5:5); the throne of God and the throne of Christ are one throne (Heb. 1:8); the church of God and the church of Christ are one church (Acts 20:28); and the great voice from the throne was the voice of God and the voice of Christ in one united sound." Whether described as the people of God or the people of Christ, the terms are describing the same people.

Jesus will be the **Judge of Mankind**. Jesus is now reigning on His throne, 1 Corinthians 15:25 (see also Revelation 17:14). Jesus is currently our Advocate and our Mediator. However, when He returns at the end of time, Jesus will then be the Judge of mankind. 2 Corinthians 5:10 says, "For we must all appear before **the judgment seat of Christ**; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." See also Matthew 25:31-46; Acts 10:42, 17:31; Revelation 20:11-15.

There are those who wish to only focus on the child "wrapped in swaddling clothes, laying in a manger," Luke 2:7. They neglect to consider Him who is "**the Lion of the tribe of Judah**," Revelation 5:5. It is to Him mankind owes obedience and faithfulness because He is the Christ, Savior, and Judge of mankind.

-Jerry D. Sturgill

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

10:45AM: Mark Day- "The Heart of David"

6:00PM: Brandon Foresha- "The Bad, the Good, and the Ugly"

Scotts' Annual Breakfast

This Saturday, Dec. 7th at 8:00am, Chris Scott and family will prepare their annual breakfast for all who want to attend. Just bring your drinks and pancake syrup and join the good fellowship. Everything else is provided, including coffee. Please, for planning purposes, sign up on the foyer board if you plan to attend.

Ladies Holiday Party

This Saturday, Dec. 7th, Kathy Hall is hosting her annual ladies party in her home in Ashland at 6pm. The van will be taken if enough ladies need a ride, leaving the lot at 5:30pm. Please, sign up on the foyer board for planning purposes. There will be an optional gift passing game if you want to participate. Gifts should be no more than \$10.

Wedding Invitation

Saturday, December 21st at 2pm, you are invited to the wedding of Morgan Vonderheide and Jacob Martin. Please, RSVP on the foyer board if you plan to attend the reception.

Members Pictures

Wendy Berry is taking member photos after each service she can attend. Everyone is asked to have an up to date photo for the board and directory.

Gauging Our Faith

	11/24/19	Goal	11/25/18
Bible Study	94	110	108
AM Worship	154	160	146
PM Worship	82	110	97
Mid Week	78	110	nc
Contribution:	\$5729.42	\$6200.00	\$6174.10

Lads To Leaders

Anyone interested in participating, attending, or learning more about Lads to Leaders, please see Mark Day or Brad Morris. All participant registration forms for the upcoming convention in April 2020 are due no later than Sunday, December 29, 2019.

Prime-timers Group

This is an open-discussion Bible study group that meets Tuesday mornings at 10am in the annex large classroom. Mark Day leads the discussion.

Dates to Remember

Dec 3- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Dec 7- Scott's Pancake breakfast- 8a- annex

Dec 7- Ladies Holiday Party- Kathy Hall's -6p

Dec 8- Second Sunday Morning Pointe Bible Study & Singing- 2p

Dec 10- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Dec 15- Elders/Deacons/Preachers meet- 4:30p

Dec 17- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Dec 21- Morgan Vonderheide & Jacob Martin Wedding- 2p

Dec 27- Ladies Luncheon- 12:30p- TBD

Dec 31- New Year's Eve Watch- 9p



☞ Today's Servants ☜

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Nathan Adkins

PM: David Smith

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Chris Scott

Assisting: Daniel Goshorn,
Nathan Parks, Jordan Conley,
Mark Gullett, Nelson Ward,
Braydon Snell, Jesse Legg
*gluten-free bread

Presiding PM: Mark Day

Assisting: Will Scott

Assisting Back: Tanner Adkins

Assisting Back: Mitch Stafford

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Edgar Phillips

PM: Ranie Wohnhas

☞ Wednesday Servants ☜

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Brandon Foresha

DEVOTIONAL: Jerry Sturgill

☞ Weekly Servants ☜

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Jeremiah Smith

ATTENDANCE: Mitch Stafford

COORDINATOR: Nathan Adkins

*** Youth Notes ***

*** Every Sunday ***

Pew Packers

5:45 pm in the front
of the auditorium
geared to age 12 & under
-Boys: have a song to lead

*** Dec. 7th ***

Ladies of all ages are invited to
**Kathy Hall's Ladies
Holiday Party**
Starts at 6p, van departs
from the church lot at 5:30p



Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as
our guest today.

If you are a first-time visitor with us,
please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you
find on the back of the pew. Please, put it
in the collection plate or hand it to one of
the men at the doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the
foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We
offer **free Bible correspondence courses** you
can receive by mail at no cost to you. Let
our preacher know if you would like to set
up an **in-home Bible study**. Thank you
for attending.