

TEEN MINISTRY

Good Morning,

Our December Food Giveaway is this Saturday, December 17th. Volunteers please come at 8 am. The food will be delivered on Thursday, December 15th at 11 am. Thank you to all who come at different times to help with this important work! Many families are blessed by your hands and they see the love of Jesus in your service. See you Saturday!

Then on December 17th, after the food giveaway, at 3 pm we will have the Teen Christmas Party in the Outreach Center. There is a sign up sheet hanging in the foyer. Please put your name on the list if you are planning to attend so we can order enough food. You are welcome to invite a guest also if you would like. We will have a gift exchange game again this year so if you can please bring a gift wrapped for the game. Try to keep the gift amount limited to \$10 if you can.

Just after Thanksgiving lots of folks went to see the Chosen season three opener in theaters. It was amazing! If you have not had the chance to see it I encourage you to do so. However if you have not seen the first two seasons it will require a binge watching 27 hour marathon to catch up and you may miss a few days of work along with lots of sleep! (You can thank me later) Season three episode one comes out today on the app, and the rest of the episodes will arrive each Sunday as scheduled. When they get started we will be watching them in our teen bible study. It will be much more than just mindless entertainment. We will examine the presentation to see how accurately the show follows scripture. We spent time last year doing this with the first two seasons. The creators of the show strive to follow scripture. There are some places where they seem to take some creative liberties in the plot but they do not stray from the word. It is interesting to see our teens looking for biblical accuracy and discussing the Word in at the same time they are entertained by this show. There are several great study guides online that have been developed to follow the show and our teens have really dug into scripture because of this. We will be looking at these study guides in about two weeks and I encourage all our teens to come and join us.

Today our teen class is continuing our series of lessons in the book of Judges. There is some interesting events that happened during that time and God sends some very powerful lessons for the Israelites. We will be diving into chapter 6 today and we will be talking about Gideon! Don't forget to grab a hot cup of coffee in the foyer and come join the conversation class begins at 9:45 am. Wednesday night Bible class starts at 7pm and we always have a great time studying God's Word.

-Josh

The Birth of Christ Through the Book of Ruth

DIVINE COINCIDENCE

Ruth 2:2-7

AMAZING

_____ of grace.

- Ruth 2:1

_____ of grace.

- Matthew 1:5-6

_____ of grace.

- Luke 2:33
- Luke 1:29-32
- John 1:17
- 2 Corinthians 8:9

AMAZING

Be _____ where God _____ you.

- Ruth 2:2-3
- Leviticus 19:9-10

_____ that _____ will do what He says He will do.

- Deuteronomy 10:18
- I Kings 8:56
- Philippians 4:19
- Psalm 37:3
- Luke 2:42-45

AMAZING

He was a _____ man who put _____.

- Ruth 2:1, 3-4

He _____.

- Ruth 2:5-7
- Ruth 2:8-9
- Ruth 2:10
- Luke 14:12-14

He _____ words of _____.

- Ruth 2:11-13
- Ruth 2:14-16

He was _____.

- Ruth 2:17-18
- Ruth 2:19-20
- Ruth 2:21-23

_____, a man like Boaz.

- Matthew 1:18-25

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Richland Road

Church of CHRIST

December 11, 2022

Wednesday Evening Meal



Join us this Wednesday at 6:00 PM
for Grilled Cheese & Soup!

Sign up in the foyer if you would like to help
make the sandwiches or bring soup.

Congregational Meeting



Join us this Wednesday at 7:00 PM
for the Year in Review!

The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall
with coffee & cookies provided!

Just Between Us

BUSY DECEMBER DAYS! As you read through the bulletin today you will discover that there are an amazing number of activities that will be happening in the month of December! Such as our Amazing Grays Christmas party, our incredible food giveaway on Saturday, Christmas Caroling, the Children and Teen Christmas parties, and so much more! While all these are important, none is as important as being present every Sunday morning for **Bible Study at 9:45 AM** and **worship at 8:30 & 11:00 AM**. As we conclude 2022, let's make an **all-out effort to be present each Sunday!!**

ALL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO BE PRESENT! Every member is encouraged to be in attendance this Wednesday at **7:00 PM** in the **Fellowship Hall** when the elders will present our exciting theme and plans for 2023! To make the most of the evening we encourage you to come at **6:00 PM** to enjoy a grilled cheese sandwich and soup! (If you are willing to help cook the grilled cheese or bring soup, please sign-up in the foyer). There is nothing more wonderful than to be able to fellowship with fellow Christians and plan for the future!

HERE WE GO A CAROLING! Please plan on joining us at 5:00 PM., Sunday evening December 18 to go Christmas Caroling! We will divide into two or three groups and travel to different senior members' homes to sing to them. It is always a great time of encouragement and fellowship. We will conclude the evening at Tim Horton's with a **free cup of Hot Chocolate** and a donut!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW. Here is what you need to be aware of during the Christmas and New Year's holidays:

December 25 – ONE WORSHIP SERVICE – 11:00 AM (No Bible Classes)

December 25 – No Life Groups

December 26 thru January 1 – The church office is closed.

December 28 – There will be a Devotional and Year-End Fellowship – at 7:00 PM

January 1 – Worship Services, Bible Classes, and Life Groups will meet at regular times

January 1 – One sheet bulletin with announcements will be published

January 4 – All Mid-Week Bible Classes resume at 7:00 PM

Regret is a reality of life. We all have things in our past that we wish we could do differently. Sometimes we made poor choices, sometimes we were afraid to seize opportunities, and sometimes we just couldn't walk away from temptation. Regardless, we know those regrets can't be undone; we can only learn from them. This means that our regrets can lead to good. Paul would tell the church in Corinth "For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death" (2 Corinthians 7:10). If you're running away from your regret or trying to rationalize it, choose instead to respond to it and start growing as a servant of the Lord.

MAKING PRECIOUS MEMORIES! If you're watching television this time of year, there's a good chance it's going to be a Christmas movie. Hallmark Christmas movies, cheesy as they may be, are especially popular. There are several "common themes" that can be found in these movies, one of which is usually a major miscommunication between two individuals. As people, we frequently fail to communicate properly, especially, it seems, with those we are closest to. This is an easy way to quickly regret saying things to each other that we all dread later. Ephesians 4:29 tells us, "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen." May we never fail to be open and honest with others in our communication, letting people know how much we care for and appreciate them. May we build others up with encouragement and clarity. During the Christmas season that we find ourselves in the middle of, may we make the most of the precious moments we are given!

– Russell Howard

INFORMATION & EVENTS

LIFEGROUPS

MEET TODAY



OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Karen Simmers and her family, at the passing of her husband, Jimi. Calling hours will be here at the building tomorrow from 10:00—11:00 AM, with he funeral to follow at 11:00 AM.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Mazzie Stevens, at the passing of her husband, Bobby. Calling hours will be tomorrow at the Edwards Funeral Home from 4:00 –8:00 PM. Funeral will be held here at the building on Tuesday at 10:30 AM.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Dave & Debbie Schuster, at the passing of Dave's mother, Sandy. Funeral was held Friday in Green Bay, WI.



AMAZING GRAYS—The seniors will meet for their monthly luncheon Tuesday @ 11:30 AM, here in the Outreach Center for a Christmas Dinner and White Elephant Gift exchange. Sign up in the foyer.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL—On Wednesday we are going to have a meal of grilled cheese and soup @ 6:00 PM. Please sign up in the foyer if you would like to volunteer to help make grilled cheese or bring soup.



YEAR IN REVIEW—The elders will be holding a Congregational Meeting this Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Plan on joining us to hear the Elders share a review of the last year, and to present the plans and hopes for this next year.

QUILTING MINISTRY—The ladies of the Quilting Ministry will be meeting Thursday @ 9:00 AM in Room 11.



UNLOAD MID-OHIO FOOD Thursday @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

FOOD GIVEAWAY Saturday @ 9 AM. (Be here @ 8:00 AM to help.) Contact Josh Ball to volunteer to help.



HOLIDAY PARTIES—The Children and Teen Holiday parties are scheduled for Saturday from 3:00—4:30 PM. Teens, sign up in the foyer.

PICK UP A DECEMBER PRAYER LIST AND POWER FOR TODAY IN THE FOYER

Bible Hour and Junior Worship will meet during 2nd service.

FOR THE RECORD - December 4, 2022

BIBLE SCHOOL.....	77	WEDNESDAY.....	77
SUNDAY AM.....	230	CONTRIBUTION.....	\$7,784.22
SUNDAY PM.....	54	BUDGET.....	\$6,731.00



HOLIDAY CAROLING—Join us next Sunday @ 5:00 PM as we go around caroling for several of our senior and shut-in members. Sign up in the foyer.



HOT CHOCOLATE & DONUTS—Join us for Caroling next Sunday, and then afterwards as we go get a free Hot Chocolate and a donut at Tim Horton's.



YOUNG FAMILY OUTING—There will be a Young Family Outing Thursday, December 22, from 10:00 AM—Noon at Max Air here in Marion. Children are \$5 or a max of \$10 per family. See Emily Nielsen for details.



WOMEN OF PURPOSE—Wednesday, December 28 @ noon, the Women of Purpose will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a finger food lunch and \$10 gift exchange. This group is for all women who are widowed or single.



HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP—On Wednesday, December 28 @ 7:00 PM we will be having a time of fellowship, games, and finger foods. Please bring snack and games with you!



HOLIDAY CARDS—Please begin checking the family mailboxes every week for your families holiday cards.



ONLINE DIRECTORY—For the most up to date directory information use our Universal Church Directory smart phone app or desktop directory. If you need download instructions you can find a helpful sheet in the foyer. You will need a family code to register, so contact the church office to get yours. If you don't have a smart phone or a computer, you can ask the church office for an up to date directory print out.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

Worship @ 11 AM (**ONLY**)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

Worship Services & Bible Class at regular times