



OUR FAMILY Welcome

2021

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From the Pastor

JANUARY 2021

Dear family in Christ,

We are still in the 12 Days of Christmas, so -- I again wish you a very Merry Christmas! We are soon into Epiphany where we rejoice in a God who is one of us; close to us in our daily lives. We know God is uniquely present with us through Word and Sacrament. Take time to also discover how Jesus is fully present for you in your everyday life, this added appreciation can make a great difference. At first you may feel like a child with an “imaginary” friend; but as you open yourself and practice God’s presence regularly, you will grow spiritually. Your personal Bible reading will lead to a greater depth. Your friendships will offer greater intimacy. Thank Jesus for His ministering presence.

I have been reading an interesting book, The Post Quarantine Church. The author’s contention is that we will be sadly disappointed if we expect things to settle down and return to normal. He suggests that the changes demanded to face the pandemic will have an impact far into the future. Technology has enabled us to continue our study and teaching of the Word, so we will likely expand how we might use technology for God’s glory. Next, we have been forced to expand our thinking about the physical plant we call the church. We should not think, as we have been accustomed, that the church is a cocoon for the members to come on Sunday morning. We can grow to understand more clearly, that we the people are the church, and that social media will assist our connecting as a people of God. Our building (rather than the place for us to be church) can become a center for outreach and ministry to the community. This will help us to “be Jesus” in our community. *Please* do not hear me saying we will not meet Sundays, *we will!* But we will also be thinking of how many more ways we can minister to our neighbors. We have AA, TOPS, and the blind ministry already using the facility. What more possibilities are there?

A third call, even a necessity, is that we increase our prayer lives. I encouraged you earlier to practice the presence of Jesus in your life. Talk with Him about your daily life but then expand the conversation to include your neighbors. Pray for ways to reach out and ways to build the Body of Christ. Make friends, be friends, and live your friendship IN Christ: think LASSIE. Understand that if we refuse to be open to the Holy Spirit we die. The Spirit is the source of life and the inspiration for living. The Spirit creates Church.

As I close this note, I want to thank you each so very much for your very generous Christmas gifts for Tracy and me. As St Paul might say, and as I’ve shared before, it isn’t the gift itself, but the love and concern it represents; a love that is a manifestation of the love of God in your hearts. Thank you!! Merry Christmas!!!

God loves you and so do I!
Pastor Paul

We want to thank the congregation for their prayers and support helping us navigate through 2020 and their generosity with cards and gifts in this holiday season!



Bible Study

Wednesday at 10 am

CHURCH MEETINGS

No Council in January

Take Christmas Decorations down

Sat, Jan. 9th @ 10am



From Council

Greetings from Church Council,

In our December meeting we prepared for our Congregational meeting. Our new church council for 2021 after the congregation voted are:

Chairman	Toffy Gietz
Elders	Jamie Bowen, Larry Orsborn, Bill Kopper
Trustees	Chris Black, Jim Muhn, Karl Schefft, Clare Hass
Secretary	Colleen Hass
Treasurer	Barb Gietz
Financial Secretary	Bob Smith
Members at Large	Charlene Hernandez, Donna Boehme

Give them your support and if you have questions or concerns please reach out to them.

The congregation also voted on the budget for 2021 of \$96,445.00. We kept most line items the same as we move into another year of uncertainty. In 2020, the sacristy flat roof was re-membraned and resealed. A flat screen TV was purchased to replace the white screen. We are now using it weekly to display the words to songs that are sung at the 1st service as well as for other services and Bible study. We are now recording the Sunday worship service and the Wednesday Bible study so it can be watched by our members and others on Facebook. This is a wonderful ministry.

There are many I would like to thank for pitching in and helping around the church while in the middle of a pandemic. First and foremost, Pastor & Tracy, truly a team ministry. The individuals who take care of the outside, Nick, Jim, Gene, and Ginny. Also, the Christmas trees got a makeover with new chrismons made by our sewing angel, Carol Austin and new tree toppers, lights and ornaments. Thanks to Ginny and Jamie! To Sandra for playing the organ so wonderfully. To the Sunday school teachers, Amy, Jessica & Tracy and the kids who put on a great Christmas message and went to homes to visit and sing to the shut-ins.

We have many challenges ahead of us for 2021 and I know we will continue to reach out to the community and tell others of God's love. **All glory to God!**

Happy Birthday **Pastor Paul**. We wish you all of God's blessings.

May God bless us all, bless this family we call King of Glory, and help us to continue His work here on earth in the year 2021.

Toffy Gietz
Council Chairman

JANUARY 2021

Calendar of Events

- 1/3 Sun. 8:15 am Informal Worship*
9:15 am Christian Studies
10:30 am Worship Service *
- 1/6 Wed. 10:00 am Bible Study
- 1/9 Sat. 10:00 am **Christmas Decorations**
- 1/10 Sun. 8:15 am Informal Worship*
9:15 am Christian Studies
10:30 am Worship Service
- 1/13 Wed. 10:00 am Bible Study
- 1/17 Sun. 8:15 am Informal Worship*
9:15 am Christian Studies
10:30 am Worship Service *
- 1/20 Wed. 10:00 am Bible Study
- 1/24 Sun. 8:15 am Informal Worship*
9:15 am Christian Studies
10:30 am Worship Service
- 1/27 Wed. 10:00 am Bible Study
- 1/31 Sun. 8:15 am Informal Worship*
9:15 am Christian Studies
10:30 am Worship Service

* Indicates Communion service

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Pastor will be glad to meet with you –
call to make arrangements

Office hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:00am-11:00am

Informal Worship 8:15 am

Divine Worship 10:30 am

Sunday School & Life Long Learning 9:15 am

Wednesday Bible Study 10:00 am

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**Mitten & Hat Tree
So Full**

Thank you all!

Adopt-A-Family

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the families we adopted for Christmas. It's truly a blessing to be able to share with those in need.





Worship for Shut-Ins

“Worship for Shut-ins” airs on Buckeye Cable Channel 167 at 11:30 a.m., WLMB TV 40 on Sundays at 6:30 a.m. and on the web at:

www.worshipforshutins.org



The Children Visiting & Singing to our Shut-ins.

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

ANNIVERSARIES 

1/14 Ron & Donna Boehme

BIRTHDAYS

- 1/ 4 Kyle Hampton
- 1/ 4 Jim Ruch
- 1/ 10 Diane Fischer
- 1/ 16 Eddie Ziemke
- 1/ 16 Brad Thomas

BIRTHDAYS

- 1/ 20 Raymonde Alberti
- 1/ 20 Wilma Zweifel
- 1/ 25 Michael Heard
- 1/ 26 Ozzie Joseph
- 1/ 30 Randy Davis
- 1/ 31 Judy Garber

