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The Lighted Spire January, 2016 NEWS & CALENDAR



7:30pm Family Service

"The Last Minute Christmas Pageant"
Child care will be available
for this service.

10:00pm Traditional Candlelight Communion Service

"Our Gifts to Jesus"

Please join us for the service that works best for your family or for both services if you are able.

WOMEN OF THE CLOTH (KNITTERS)

Fourth Monday of each month

Can you knit or crochet? Looking for a fun time to share your gift? Why don't you give the Women of the Cloth, also known as "The Knitters" a try. They get together on the fourth Monday of each month to talk, laugh and work on prayer shawls to be given to people going through illness or changes in their lives. Their next gathering will be Monday, January 25 at 1:00pm at the home of Betty Alexander, 1507 Counselor Row. If you like to knit, but can't attend the meetings, we are glad to accept your donations of prayer shawls. Call Betty (317-398-6940) if you have any questions or if you know of someone who needs a prayer shawl.

CCC 55+

Lunch - 4th Tuesday of each month

Mark your calendars for lunch on January 26 as the CCC's meet at Bob Evans in Shelbyville at 11:30am. This fun group is open to anyone who has had at least 55 birthdays and wants to gather for good food and great conversation! Plan to join them for lunch and see what you're missing!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
January**** 2016					HAPPY NEW YEAR	2
3 B-Dave Fisher	4 B-Sheila Palmer	5 B-Dave Wheeler 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	6 Epiphany B-Sandy McLane Youth Activities 7:00 Choir Practice	7 B-Cynthia Morningstar 7:00 BSA OA	8 6:00 Girl Scouts	9
10 Communion 1:00 Runshe in Huffman Hall	11 B-Melody Skipton B-Amie DeWitt 6:00 Girl Scout Leaders	7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	13 8:00 Statler Group Youth Activities 7:00 Choir Practice	14 1:00 Palmer/ Orem Group	15 B-Tom Crouch	16
17 11:15 D Deacons- Noah's Ark Room	4:30 Leahy Rehearsal 7:00 Session Office Closed	7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	Youth Activities 7:00 Choir Practice	21 7:00 BSA OA	22	23
24	25 B-Ray Brown 1:00 Women of the Cloth (Knitters) 6:30 Leahy Recital	26 11:30 CCC (55+) 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:00 AA	Youth Activities 7:00 Choir Practice	28 7:00 BSA OA	29	30 B-Lee Evans
31 B-Kip Schnaiter B-Marilyn Phares B-Joe Dickmann					DEACONS Deb Hassebroek Tom Miller Stephanie Rick Adam Smith Aimee Tillison	

7:30 PM - Youth Group

Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander Ashley Johnson Bob Ardery Lois Mitchell Shelby Bowers Becky Murnan

Clay Browning Bill & Shirley Oeffinger

Ann Bruner Jamie Orem Vickie Butler Sharon Orem Naomi Catt Tyler Orem Marilyn Phares Randi Catt Bill Runshe Shari Clark Charles Craft **Betty Schnaiter Daniell Cutler** Ron Sethman Karla Crouch Patty Shuler

Bill & Jonita Smith Bill English John Ervin Deloris Sorrell **Bonnie Harris** Mary Ann Wasson Marian Hobbs Miriam Willey

Phil & Linda Howell Keith & Vickie Williams

CHURCH FAMILY & FRIENDS

Vicki Alexander, Anthony Ayers, Peg & Paul Binder, Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Wyatt Cameron, Alva Catt Jr., Amanda Catt, Betty Craft, Joe Craft, Bill Collins, John Davison, Cory, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, David Hunton, Jaxon, Jeremy Klakamp, Margaret Newkirk, Betty Nichols, Brad Nigh, Patricia Overmeyer, Mary Kay Pitts, Janet Roberts, Jon Ross, Natalie Sargent, Nigel Schonfeld, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Brody Stephens, Peggy Trittipo, Cheryl White, Sally Willis, Susan Wooledge

Those in military service

Blake McIntire Alex Dillon Deryk Smith **Brett Walburn**

THANKS FOR SPREADING CHRISTMAS CHEER

Many, many thanks to everyone who donated to the Warm Fuzzy Tree this year. We are sure that these gifts brought happiness to the families who were touched by them. Watch for the tree to appear again next year!



Friendship Club for grades 3-5 - 6:00-7:00 Doors open for youth group - 6:00 Dinner for all - 7:00-7:30 **Youth Group for grades 6-12 - 7:30-8:45**

We are still in need of leadership for the Friendship Club. They meet from 6:00-7:00 on Wednesdays and then stay to share dinner with the Youth Group. If you are interested or have questions about this group, please talk to Pastor Mark.

Adult volunteers are always welcome on Wednesday evenings. Even if you are only available to come for part of the evening or you can't come every Wednesday, you will still be a big help. Talk to Cheryl Miller or Sarah Smith if you have questions.

We are also accepting help with the meals on Wednesdays as well. If you would like to provide food or donate money for a part of a meal, that would be great. You don't have to cook the food. just donate it! Talk to Holly Simpson or Tom Miller if you have questions.

HUMAN SERVICES FOOD DRIVE

In the midst of the holidays, needs in the community increase and so the need at Human Services increases. When you are shopping over the next weeks, please put a few extra items in your shopping cart to help fill the carts at the church for our food drive. They have a special need for size 4 or 5 diapers right now. Check out the bulletin board just outside the back of the worship center to see our progress so far this year.



The choir shares their music with us each Sunday. If you have a talent or love for music, why not start the year by giving praise through song!

Rehearsals - Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:30pm Sunday morning warm-up - 9:30am

Please talk to Cynthia if you have any questions.

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SMALL GROUP COLLECTIONS

As a part of the current study to help highlight how we minister to others, two of our small groups sponsored special collections which were both successful.

Statler Group Book Drive The Statler Small Group held a book drive to collect new or gently used children's books to be donated to the local Head Start program. We collected 217 books for the library at the Shelbyville center and the children which will also support the center through in-kind funding (\$1,627.24). Many thanks to Emily Campbell for taking the time to catalog all the donated books.

The Palmer/Orem Group The Thursday afternoon group collected clothing and money for Coulston's Comet Closet, an effort to provide clothing and coats for kids. In addition to the donated clothing, \$110 was collected to help.

Both groups, as well as those receiving these donations, appreciate your generosity. If you have things to donate to either of these organizations in the future, bring them to the church office and we will get them to the right place.

SRCH SHIP

SHIRTS AVAILABLE

We now have all sizes (youth and adult) of t-shirts with our logo on them. These are available in Jane's office for purchase for \$8 each.

SESSION NOTICE

The Elders are reminded of their regular stated meeting to be held on Monday, January 18, at 7:00pm in the church parlor. Please let Pastor Mark, Sandy Fisher or Jane know if you are unable to attend.

GIVING TREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The D Deacons Giving Tree on the bulletin board in Huffman Hall has colorful leaves asking for school supplies. Please take a leaf or two and help with their drive to get school supplies for children who run out after the holidays. Take a leaf from the tree on the bulletin board, purchase the item and return it to the table or under the table by the bulletin board. Please make your donations by the end of January because the D Deacons are hoping to distribute these to the schools in February.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you prefer to use offering envelopes when making donations to the church, they are now available in Jane's office. Please take a box of envelopes and write your name by the corresponding number on the list provided.

D DEACONS TO MEET

The D Deacons will have a meeting following worship on Sunday, January 17. Please grab refreshments if you like and join together in the Noah's Ark Room.