

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fourth Monday of each month



Prayer Shawl Ministry

This small but mighty (and fun) group knits and crochets:

- Prayer Shawls for those going through transitions, joys or illness
- Hats, scarves and mittens for Head Start
- Beanies for premature babies
- Blankets for cancer patients

Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this group. Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started. Contact Betty Alexander or any member of the group if you have any questions, if you would like to donate any of these items, or if you know of someone who needs a prayer shawl.

The next meeting date is Monday, November 29 (change in usual meeting day) at 1:00pm in the church parlor. They will not meet in December. This is a great group who enjoy getting together to share their gifts with others.



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## New members always welcome

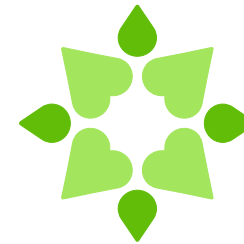
The Statler Group will not meet on November 24, and will work on the new Advent study — **Advent in Plain**

**Sight** — on December 1st, 8th, and 15th. They meet at 8:00am in fellowship hall on Wednesdays. Breakfast is served. On January 5th they will go out for breakfast and will start a new session on January 12th. New members are always welcome.

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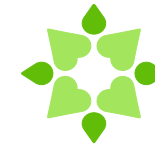


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# The Lighted Spire

December, 2021

## NEWS & CALENDAR



We are so happy to announce that beginning on Sunday, November 28, we will begin having our time of fellowship following the worship services on Sunday mornings. Please join us to have a snack and some coffee and enjoy time to visit with other members of our church family. The tables downstairs are spread out, so there is room to social distance.

Hope to see you there!

# Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander  
Shane Appleton  
Shelby Bowers  
Charline Brown  
Clay Browning  
Tom & Joanne Bubar  
Vickie Butler  
Annette Craft  
Shari Gabbard  
Hugh & Ruth Garner  
Becky Gattis  
Bonnie Harris  
Phil & Linda Howell  
Ashley Johnson  
Debby McLeod  
Judy Mitchell  
Mark Morningstar  
Becky Murnan

Jamie & Janet Orem  
Sharon Orem  
Marilyn Phares  
Mark Rowe  
Bill & Joyce Runshe  
Ron & Peggy Sethman  
Patty Shuler  
Rollin Simpson  
Bill & Jonita Smith  
Kevin Springman  
Deloris Sorrell  
Eric Sorrell  
Marilyn VanCleve  
Wilma Weaver  
Bud Wertz  
Dawn Whitfield  
Larry Willis  
Nancy Wittekind

# Church family and friends

Matthew & Michael Berndt, Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Mary Brown, Wyatt Cameron, Catt family, Betty Craft, Bill Collins, Cory, Dakota, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Vicki Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, Hunter, Cammi Hooker, Jaxon, Mary Beth, Jeremy Klakamp, Bill Newbold, Betty Nichols, Chelsea Overhage, Patricia Overmyer, Jim Overmyer, Lynn Pitts, Jon Ross, Darryl Runshe, Natalie Sargent, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Brooke & Holden Stephens, Shannon Trimnell, Peggy Trittipo, Brady Vanes, Mary Ann Wethington, Cheryl White, Susan Wooledge

# Those in military service

Blake McIntire

Alex Dillon

Adam Smith

Deryk Smith

Brett Walburn

If the situation for any of these people has changed or someone needs to be added to our list, please let the church office know.



**Grades 9-12**  
**High School Youth Group**  
**Wednesdays from 6:00-8:30**  
Youth Group will not meet  
December 22 or December 29

For Middle School  
Students

Watch for new information  
coming after the first of the  
year!



# Session Notice

The next meeting will be on Monday, December 20 at 7:00pm in the church parlor.

# Contact The Session

**Spiritual Growth**  
**Christian Education/Worship**  
Sara Roberts      Becky Gattis

**Nurture & Evangelism**  
**Fellowship/Congregational Care/Evangelism**  
Phil Howell      Patti Stone  
Aimee Tillison

**Stewardship**  
**Stewardship/Property/Personnel**  
Jim Marshall      Dan Runshe

**Clerk of Session**      Dawn Whitfield


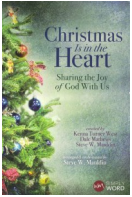




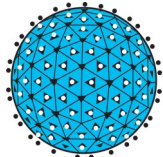
The slightly modified Warm Fuzzy Tree is up on the bulletin board just outside the back of the sanctuary. Ornaments are available for children in the community listing an article of clothing and the size needed. If you would like to take one or more of the ornaments, that will be fine. The gifts should be returned wrapped with the ornament on the outside of the package by Sunday, December 12.

If going shopping is still questionable for you, volunteers from the D Deacons are willing to shop for gifts this year. If you would rather not shop but would like to help out, you can make a donation to the Deacons to help cover the purchasing of the gifts and paper for wrapping the gifts. You can make a check payable to the church and write Warm Fuzzy Tree or Deacons in the memo section or place cash in an envelope marked Warm Fuzzy Tree.

If you choose to shop for gifts, please remember to return the gifts purchased by December 12 so that the packages can be sorted and delivered to the families in time for Christmas.

# Warm Fuzzy Tree



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Sunday Schedule</b> 9:30 Choir 10:00 Worship Service—on line & in sanctuary & Sunday School 11:00 Fellowship			1  8:00 Statler Group-fh  6:00 HS Youth-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	2	3 <b>B-Adrienne Lingerfelt</b>	4  <b>Marix—fh</b>
5 <b>B-Bob Thopy</b>   <b>Cantata 10:00am</b>  <b>Youth Choir 2:00pm</b>	6	7  <b>4:00 YAP Mentoring fh</b>  <b>6:30 BYYC</b> <b>7:00 BRCC-cr</b> <b>8:00 AA-fh</b>	8 <b>B-Debby McLeod</b> 8:00 Statler Group-fh  6:00 HS Youth-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	9	10	11  <b>8:30 PEO-fh</b>
12 <b>Children's Program</b> <b>The Christmas Story - A Story of Faith</b> 	13 <b>A-Adrienne &amp; Derek Lingerfelt</b>  <b>6:00 Girl Scout Troop 4826-fh</b>	14 <b>4:00 YAP Mentoring</b> <b>4:30-6:30 Healthy Families-fh</b> <b>6:30 Girl Scouts-nar</b> <b>7:00 BRCC-cr</b> <b>8:00 AA-fh</b>	15 <b>B-Mike Bunton</b> <b>B-Josh Orem</b> 8:00 Statler Group-fh  6:00 HS Youth-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	16  <b>6:30 Stone Craft Group-fh</b>	17 <b>B-Fawntay Johnson</b>	18 <b>A-Linda &amp; Phil Howell</b>
19 <b>A-Jamie &amp; Janet Orem</b>  <b>Sunday Schedule</b> 	20  <b>7:00 Session-p</b>	21  <b>8:00 AA-fh</b>	22  <b>No Statler Group</b>  <b>No HS Youth</b> <b>7:00 Choir-cr</b>	23	24 <b>10:00PM</b>  	25  
26  <b>Sunday Schedule</b>	27  <b>No Prayer Shawl Ministry</b>  <b>6:00 Girl Scout Troop 4826-fh</b>	28  <b>6:00 Girl Scouts-nar</b> <b>8:00 AA-fh</b>	29  <b>No Statler Group</b>  <b>No HS Youth</b> <b>No Choir</b>	30	31   <i>New Year's Eve</i>	<b>B-Birthdays</b> <b>A-Anniversaries</b>  fh-fellowship hall p-parlor nar-Noah's Ark Room s-sanctuary cr-choir room



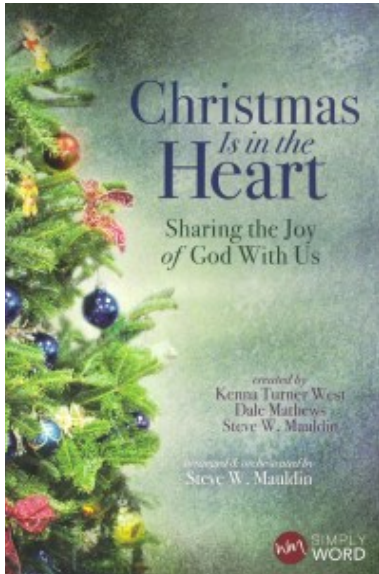
## Christmas Poinsettias

As is our tradition, we will have memorial poinsettias as a part of our services for the advent season. You may purchase your flowers from the place of your choice and have them delivered or drop them off at the church any time after December 12. Before December 20, please call the church office or drop us a note listing the names the flowers are in memory of and who gave the flowers. Please plan to pick your poinsettia up after Christmas.

## Many Thanks

We would like to sincerely thank Barb and Ed Jakad for their generous donation of a beautiful nativity set that is on display in fellowship hall. We appreciate this gift that will enhance our decorations for years to come.





## **Christmas Is In The Heart** *Sharing the Joy of God With Us*

**Cantata presented by the choir  
during the worship service on Sunday, December 5**

Christmas is all around us....and the fullness of joy that we find in the presence of Jesus can be ours not just for a day in December, but every day of the year. The peace we find in Christ doesn't fade when the season departs...not if Christmas is truly in the heart.

**Christmas is in the Heart** captures the sights and sounds of Christmas that are all around us—the singing of carols, decking the halls, and the lighting of the Christmas tree. **Christmas is in the Heart** will bring the joys of Christmas alive in your hearts and your homes this Christmas season!

## **The Christmas Story - A Story of Faith**

**Children's Christmas Program presented by the Sunday School Children  
during the worship service on Sunday, December 12**

**Hear the Christmas Story as told by Mary, the angels  
and the animals from the stable.**



## **Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service** **Friday, December 24 10:00pm**

The service will be our traditional Candlelight Communion Service celebrating Christmas in scripture and song. This service will start at 10:00pm in the sanctuary. If you will be joining us on line for this service, please be sure to have your Communion elements and a candle ready.



If you are unable to join us in person for any of these services, they will all be available on line at the time of the service or will be available for viewing any time after that.



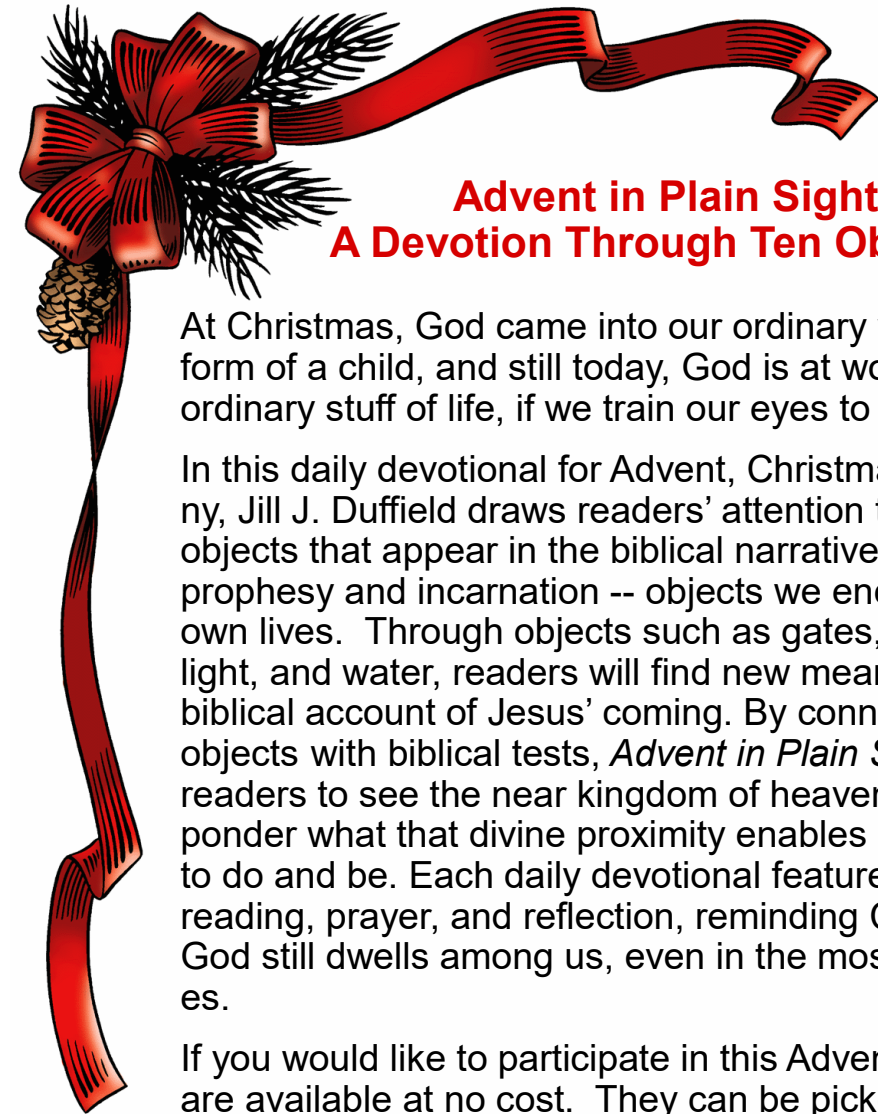
Our children's Sunday school class has been studying the message from Jesus to love God and love our neighbor. In response to that message, our class put together five backpack care packages to be sent to some of our neighbors in Chicago. Tyler Orem lives in Chicago and we are passing the backpacks to him to distribute to some people in need there. We would like to thank our Prayer

Shawl Group for donating amazing blankets, hats, and scarves for this project. It is joyful to think about the love and warmth that these gifts will bring to some of our neighbors!



### Christmas Music Presented by the Blue River Youth Choirs

The newly formed Blue River Youth Choirs have their weekly rehearsals in our church. On Sunday, December 5, at 2:00pm, they will present their first Christmas Concert in our sanctuary. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the music they will present.



### Advent in Plain Sight A Devotion Through Ten Objects

At Christmas, God came into our ordinary world in the form of a child, and still today, God is at work through the ordinary stuff of life, if we train our eyes to see.

In this daily devotional for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany, Jill J. Duffield draws readers' attention to ten ordinary objects that appear in the biblical narratives of messianic prophesy and incarnation -- objects we encounter in our own lives. Through objects such as gates, trees, cloth, light, and water, readers will find new meaning in the biblical account of Jesus' coming. By connecting everyday objects with biblical tests, *Advent in Plain Sight* prompts readers to see the near kingdom of heaven on earth and ponder what that divine proximity enables and asks them to do and be. Each daily devotional features a Scripture reading, prayer, and reflection, reminding Christians that God still dwells among us, even in the most ordinary places.

If you would like to participate in this Advent study, books are available at no cost. They can be picked up in Jane's office or on the table behind the sanctuary.

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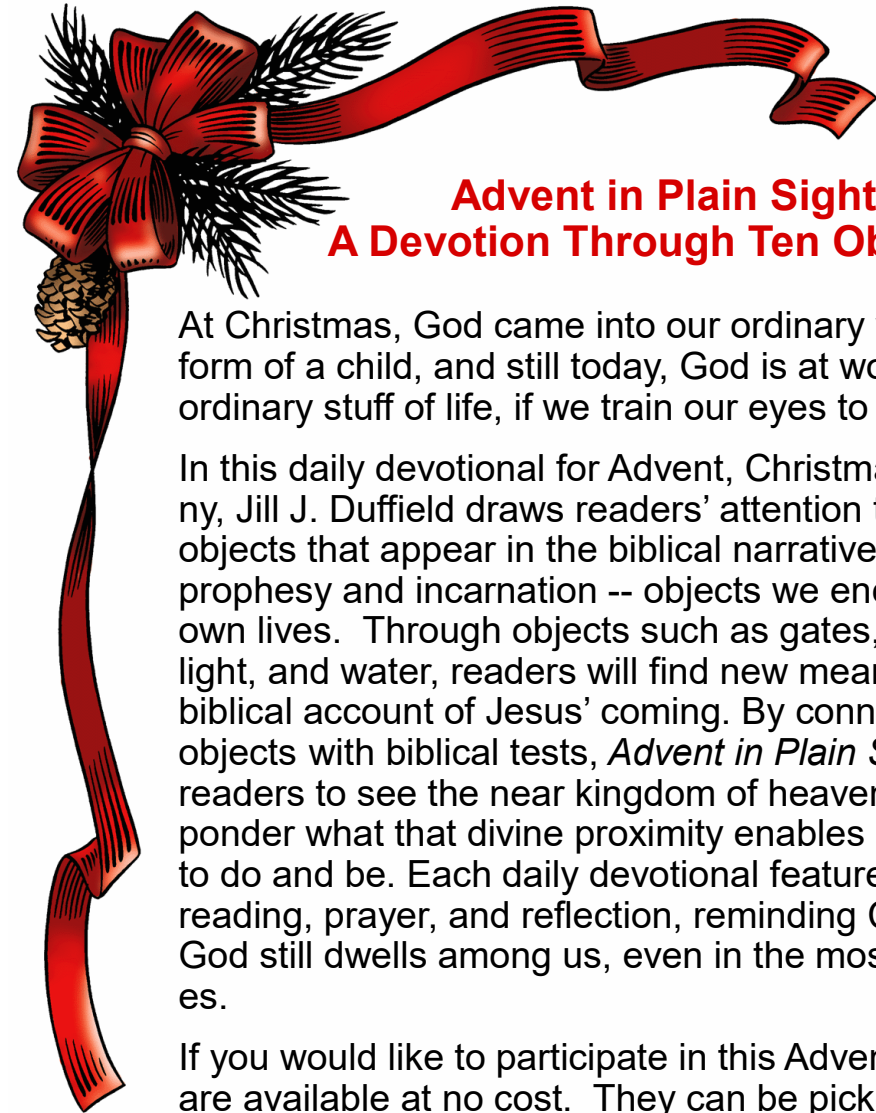
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