

Church of Christ

Rocketdyne Road

“Every member a minister...through service”

DECEMBER 22, 2013

The virgin will conceive and
give birth to a son,
and they will call Him,

Immanuel
GOD WITH US.

—matthew 1:23



Jana Swaffar is a patient at Cox in Springfield. Rachael McLain had extensive corrective surgery on her left leg Tuesday. Francisco Bustillo had cataract surgery Monday. Cheryl Zartman had knee surgery Wednesday. Pray for our homebound, our widows and live-alones, those on our sick list and for all our brothers and sisters.

Do You Have Room?

"... and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:7

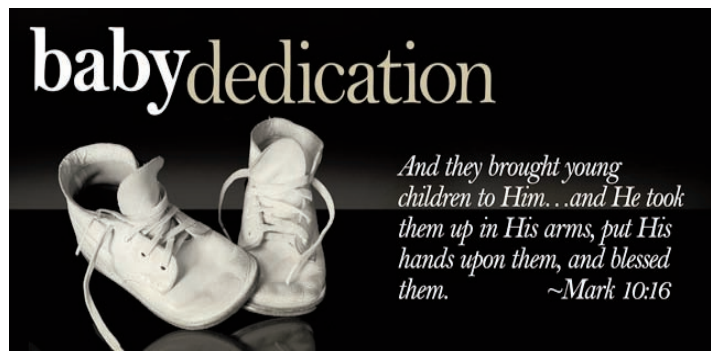
The important question -- not only at this time of year but all year round -- is, "Do we have room in our lives for Jesus?" Our lives are so busy -- with things that are good and things that are not so good. By the time we've filled our lives with time at work, time with the family, going to football games and the children's recitals, shopping, watching television and the latest movie, our lives are so very crowded. I don't know anybody who has "spare time" on their hands. The cry I hear from all around me is, "I wish I had a few more hours every day to get done what I need (or want) to get done."

Looking back, we may find ourselves thinking that if the innkeeper had known that Mary was about to give birth to the Savior of the world, he would have made room. But I'm not so sure. The reason I question that is because I see what happens when we are faced with a question similar to one that was asked of the innkeeper. Jesus wants to know of us, "Do you have room in your life for me?" And I see how often in our busy, hectic lives -- even though we know who Jesus is -- we allow other things to crowd Him out.

Will we open our hearts to Jesus, or will we allow the busyness of life to crowd Jesus out? The answer we WANT to give is easy to come up with; the answer we give by the way we live is sometimes disturbing.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me." (Rev. 3:20)

Alan Smith



Our 2nd annual Baby Dedication Ceremony for all babies born during the year will be on January 26. If your baby was born in 2013, we need you to supply the following: baby's full name & date of birth, parents' names, grandparents' names, a quote stating something special about your baby (cute actions or things he/she does or says, etc.). Also we need several pictures of your baby from birth to present age. Pictures can be emailed to Bob at bob@cableone.net or you can give him photos to scan.

Today

6:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to join us as we go caroling



Holiday Office Hours

Office hours will be irregular this coming week. Anything for the bulletin must be turned in Monday. If you have a need, please leave a message on the answering machine. It will be checked twice daily. In case of emergency, call Tye @ 658-9000.

Holiday Basketball Tournament

We will again be providing a meal for the Holiday Classic Basketball Tournament at Neosho High School on Saturday, December 28. The meal will be Mexican. We need crock pots of refried beans, chips, and other Mexican foods. If you would like to help with this meal, please see Tye to let him know what you plan to bring and when and where to bring it.



**Curtis Cullen
Nathan Culp
Dustin Elder
Eric Feldman
Shane Pogue
Travis Taylor**

JUST 4 YOUTH!

SNT - 7 to 9 at the building

Leaf Raking - We are planning to rake leaves today.
If you still need leaves raked, contact Tye.

New Year's Eve Party - Dec. 31 - 8 pm to 8 am
Chaperones are needed. See Tye.



Thank You

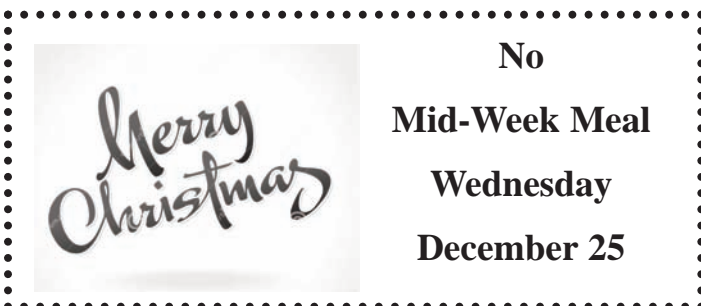
Thank you for your thoughts and prayers and the beautiful plant.
The Family of Betty Watson

Thank you to everyone who had a part in the planning, decorating, and cleaning up after the Ladies' Ornament Exchange this year. All who attended had a good time.

A Big Thank You to Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and all their helpers who made Breakfast With Santa a fun day.

Thank you to everyone who donated food and/or money for the Holiday Food Baskets put together by our Junior and Senior Youth Groups. In addition to the food you brought in, three thousand dollars was donated to purchase perishables and requested items which were not placed in the food corral. Fifty-five baskets were given to needy families in our community. Baskets were distributed Wednesday and Thursday. Thank you for being a part of blessing these families.

Rachael had extensive left leg corrective surgery. It looks better than we expected. She is handling the pain well. We really appreciate all of the prayers and thoughts.
Joe and Laretta McLain



GOD IS MOVING AMONG HIS CHILDREN!

It is simply amazing. **GOD** continually gives us blessings! We had **49** children last Sunday. All glory and praise to our **GOD**. Everyone helped us collect over 60 angel boxes this year to help the children of our community. Thank you Aunt Sherry, Aunt Karen and Aunt Maddie for a great lesson last week.

Come and join us as Uncle Pete, Aunt Shelba and Aunt Callie have another great lesson.

We also want to thank all who keep giving us little animals for our kids. You are simply amazing.

See you in worship
Mi Mi Lu and Pa Pa H

Always remember
JESUS LOVES HIS LITTLE CHILDREN

Let's show our love for JESUS every day.

Workers for next week:
Security - Randy Bass
Teacher - Cheryl Marion
Helpers - Jenny Cupp, Karen Bass,
Eric Lazure, Annie Lazure, Gavin Payne,
Levi Smith, Rebekah Davidson

Assignments
Sunday, December 22, 2013

Our Elders

Kenneth Cope
 Jerry Davis
 Clyde Hopper
 David Hutchings
 Ben Lane
 Earl Reynolds
 Jack Stafford
 Ray Stipp

Our Deacons

Randy Bass
 Jonathan Davis
 Myron Lessman
 Brian Lewis
 Brent Marion
 Kael Powers
 Pete Ramon
 Jon Reagan
 Rod Whorton
 Rick Wolfe
 Alan Woodward

Our Ministers

Denny Kruse
 Ralph Madill
 Tye Zola

Morning Worship

PrayerPete Ramon
 Shepherd's Prayer Clyde Hopper

Lord's Table

Prayers: Ron Tremaine

Perry Brock, Max Ruhl
 Sage Crane, Benny Haught
 Quinton Platner, Jonathan Davis
 John Miller, Doug Hughes

Next Sunday

PrayerLogan Stark
 Table Prayers Jason Stipp
 Shepherd's Prayer Jack Stafford

Lord's Table For Next Sunday

Keith Woodward, Corey Hounsshell
 Tyler Wolfe, Cody Casady
 Cade Jenkins, Glenn Brown
 Tyler Slawter, Shawn Marlow

Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Day - No Services


GREETERS SCHEDULE

December 29
 Team 4

Fair Haven
Pantry Needs
 Hamburger Helper

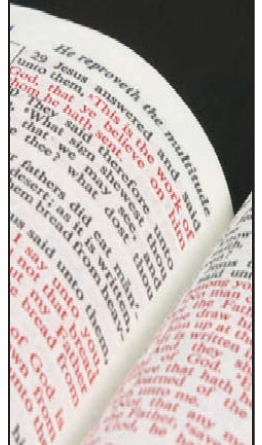


December 22
 Ruby Beaver, Dawn Dabbs
December 29
 Debbie Carriger, Gwen Hopper
Nursery workers, please go to the Nursery immediately after Bible Class.



Sunday Night Service

Hearing the Voice of JESUS in the Red Letter Edition



FAMILY GATHERINGS

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:30
Sunday Morning Worship10:30
Sunday Evening Worship6:00
Wednesday Evening Bible Study7:00

Our Purpose
To praise and glorify God
To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ
To show our love by serving each other and the world