ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

We are so glad you chose to worship with us today! There is a nursery up the stairs and first door on the left for babies through age 2.

TODAY Join us today for a **Birthday Party for Jesus** after worship service.

Christmas Caroling -- meet at the church at 4:00 p.m. or in Coldwater at Drew's Place at 5:00 p.m. Pick up an itinerary and the songs in the

NEXT WEEK

An Old Fashioned Country Christmas Service. Please bring a favorite Christmas snack to share after the service

Christmas Memory Garden -- if you would like to purchase a poinsettia in memory or honor of someone, place the enclosed flier and \$10.00 in the offering plate. The Memory Garden list will be published next Sunday. There are 8 poinsettias still available. Plan on taking your poinsettia home next Sunday, December 23.

WAYS TO HELP

Family in Need -- Please pick up a list in the lobby of the needs of a local family of six who lost everything in a fire this week.

The Eby Klein Youth and Family Center is in need of donations of candy or food items for treat bags to be given out at their Christmas dinner. Please bring any donations next Sunday. See Paul Alger with any questions.

Family Promise -- we will be hosting January 6 - 13, 2019. Please see the sign up sheets in the lobby to see where you can help.

2019 Schedules -- there are sign up sheets in the lobby for providing altar flowers and greeting for next year. Thank you to everyone who served in these two areas in 2018!

NEXT MONTH

Steak Out -- January 12, 2019 at the Dearth Center in Coldwater. Please see Pastor Jim about tickets.

PLEASE Inclement weather -- In case of snowy or icy conditions on Sunday NOTE morning, cancellations will be announced on 16TVB (AM) on your radio or you will receive a text message.

Next Sunday's Worship Service Responsibilities:

Nursery -- Kristi Long and Laura Jury; Greeters -- Al and Bonnie Miller; Sound Room -- Matt Siefken and Frank Cabrera; Offering Prayer -- Brandon Carpenter

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DECEMBER 16. 2018

SERVICE: 9:30 AM

A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: 11 AM



A CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE

We hope you enjoy this presentation as we retell the Christmas Story with a bit of a modern twist. In all things may Christ be Praised.

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DECEMBER 16, 2018

SERVING TODAY

NURSERY Sharon Shyrigh and Patty Leggett

SOUND ROOM Kenny Bennett and Josh Falknor

GREETERS Hannah Erwin and Gillian Carpenter

USHERS Ron and Kathy Will

ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

ADVENT READING AND CANDLE LIGHTING

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY

The First Noel	Hymn 136
Something In His Eye	Cast Members
Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star	Toddlers
Joy to the World	
O Holy Night	Kevin Stutzman
We Three Kings	Chorus
Hark the Herald Angels Sing	Stutzmans
O Come, All Ye Faithful	Chorus
Happy Birthday to Jesus	All Kids with Congregation

SPEAKING PARTS

Narrators Elaina Long, Luke Long	g, Sam Carpenter, Adam Franks
Tiny Shepherd	Gabe Erwin
Mary the Waitress	Hannah Erwin



A Call to Prayer

Recent additions

- Tom Schoenherr (Pastor Jim's dad) moved to Ft. Wayne
- Russ Heckathorn -- recurrence of lung cancer
- Brandon Carpenter's mother, Joann recently diagnosed with cancer.
- Safe travels for snowbirds.
- Pat Rigg -- biopsy on lip
- Spectrum Ministries -- ministering in Tijuana
- Carmel Roberts -- home recuperating from perforated stomach
- Sharon McMeen -- esophagus issues
- Sara Sloan -- breast cancer
- Eric Smotherman -- recent move to adult foster care.
- Jo Mayer -- recovering from back surgery
- Blake Schlueter -- recently diagnosed with Crohn's Disease
- Bob Mayer -- ongoing health concerns
- Bronson Youth -- leading prayer on Tuesdays at lunch
- Sherry McNees' mother -- Mary Jean Modert -- recuperating from surgery
- Annette Miller -- tests and medication concerns
- Craig and Shelly Schafer -- missionaries in Indonesia lost house in fire.
- Arwan Mallay -- ten year old being treated for stage 4 neuroblastoma -- recuperating from surgery to remove tumor.
- Eddie Miller -- nine year old from Quincy being treated for ITP.
- Jeff Craft, Sue Craft's son, soft palate cancer
- Shanda Carpenter's mother gall bladder and blood pressure issues.

Continue to remember those in need

Danielle Howe's father-in-law, Tom -- stage 4 liver cancer

Praises

Jesse and Morgan Albright's new son, Graham Gordon, born on Nov. 12. Rick Butters -- has housing
Gary Ratkowski -- recent scans show no cancer
Jean LaClair's cancer is in remission

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Jim Eley -- at Maple Lawn -- heart issues Suette Burnside -- dialysis Rick Wilcox -- Alzheimer's; failing health Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place