

The Lyons Community Church Mid-Week Message

Thursday, December 22, 2016

Greetings Friends,

This week we will celebrate Christmas, the birthday of Jesus! We have spent the last four weeks anticipating and preparing for this day. Last week we enjoyed listening to and witnessing the young people of the church as they shared the story of Christmas through song and word and costume! What fun it was!

This weekend will be a busy, but blessed one in the life of Lyons Community Church! We will come together first on Saturday Night at 7 pm for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. It will be a service of meaningful music and message. I look forward to celebrating with you all! Then, on Christmas morning, we will have an informal service at our normal Sunday worship time, 10 am. We will sing some of our favorite hymns, explore some of the many blessings in our lives, and then share in a potluck Christmas brunch. Please bring a dish to share! You are welcome to come in your Christmas pajamas and bring a special gift, to receive a special blessing. Feel free to invite your neighbors, your friends, and your families to join us for Christmas Eve, Christmas Morning or both!

I look forward to gathering together this weekend to celebrate the birth of Jesus! Yes! The miracle has begun in each of us! God Bless us Every One!

Blessings,

Pastor Emily



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Sunday, Dec. 25, 2016

Message: "God Bless Us Every One!" - Pastor Emily Kintzel

Scripture: Psalm 98 (NRSV) and John 1:1-17 (NRSV)

Greeter:

Reader:

Refreshments: please bring a dish to share; we'll join together for a potluck brunch in Wesleyan Hall (downstairs) after worship



Saturday, December 24, 7:00 pm—Christmas Eve

Sermon: "The Redemption of Scrooge: Keeping Christmas Well"
Scripture: Luke 2:1-20 & Matthew 2:1-14

Sunday, December 25, 10:00 am—Christmas

Come in PJs, Potluck Brunch, Carol Sing/Storytime
Sermon: "God Bless Us Every One!"

Prayers

Joys: Birthdays of Steve Good (12/23), Lily Kincaid (12/26), Mark Boys (12/28), Jenna Bear (12/31), Leah Bear (1/1) and Emily Dusel (1/1)

Joy: Geneva's brother and sister bringing her dad back from Texas in time for Christmas.

Joy: Jesus' Birthday!

Joy: Winter Break!

Joy: The opportunity to serve the Senior Meal

Prayers for those who are suffering during this Christmas season

Continued prayers for Nancy Thorwardson.

Prayer Requests

Contact Kitty Keim, kathkeim@earthlink.net, 303-823-6586

Prayer team: Pastor Emily, Holly & Steve Beck, Mark & Christine Boys, Pam Browning, Sandi Fikes, Janet Freeman, Vance French, Alyssa Frideres, Ellen Hine, Jani Little, Steve Mikesell, Jerry & Jean Peila, Carol Pranschke, Richard & Deborah Salmon, Debbie Tabor and Sandra Willis.

Announcements

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service is at 7:00 pm. Don't forget to bring your gold ribbon links to place in the manger.

Christmas Morning Service is at 10 am. Please come in your pajamas and bring a brunch item to share.

Lions Club is collecting used glasses.

Christmas Poinsettias given:

In Memory of Wendell, by Cindy Fisher

In Memory of my Mother, Katherine Tansley, by Janet Freeman

In Memory of my Father, Robert Doss, by Kim Hughes

In Memory of Bob and Marj Keim and John and Bette Cox, by Chuck and Kitty Keim

In Honor of our extended families, by the Kintzels



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