



Sunday, November 26, 2023

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday
Bible Class 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday
Bible Class
1:00PM and 7:00PM

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36th Street Church
of Christ Members

What Do God's People Do with Holy-days (Holidays)?

by Doug Kashorek

You may have noticed that the amount of biblical references in end-of-year celebrations has decreased significantly in recent years. Gone are things considered offensive: nativities with their mangers and wise men, and songs over store speakers that proclaim the Savior's birth. Some still keep gaudy garlands and red-robed Santas, reindeer and trees. Rejecting materialism, others retain the star or words like 'joy' or 'peace' on minimalist signs.

This year, however, I've noticed even fewer of those as most stores aren't decorating much at all nor playing songs of the season. Commercials on TV don't mention 'Thanksgiving' or 'Christmas' at all but have pushed instead their agenda to get you to buy-buy-buy at Black Friday sales—that somehow last for several months now. It's a spiritual war, really, for the amount of influence Jesus and His church has over this increasingly-secular world. And the world is winning!

We're another generation removed from the Baby Boomers who grew up on Bing Crosby and the downtown department store on a lit-up city street, whose grandparents stretched back to the end of the Charles Dickens and Victorian era. That's when churches were full of worshipers heeding the call of "Come, All Ye Faithful" for the 'Christ mass' on December 25, the date of the old Roman feast of Saturnalia and on the liturgical calendar of holy days —'holidays' today.

Restorationists have always insisted that we should give thanks all year long, not just on one day, and that we are never commanded in scripture to celebrate the biblical event of Jesus' birth, which, they point out, probably occurred in the spring anyway. And yet, because the culture was mostly going in the direction of the church, we celebrated Thanksgiving and Christmas along with it and the denominational world.

Now that the culture has grown so antagonistic toward believers and the Bible though, those who strive to worship in spirit and in truth find themselves pushed out of these hijacked 'holidays' that we've always celebrated. But we hijacked them first! Perhaps we can focus more on the Lord's Supper which we *are* commanded to remember.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Betty Armstrong

John Lamp

Helen May (Ileene Lemley's sister)

Helen McIntyre (member of Sunrise)

Sue Teel (former member here)

Bill Lemley (brother to Ed and Jerry Lemley)

John Michael Eckhart (John/Shirley's grandson)

Judy Curkendall

family of George Teel (former member)



Our Long Term Care Residents:

(full addresses on foyer bulletin board)

Betty Armstrong— *The Pines at Glenwood Apt 124*

Edna Cain *The Willows room 115*

Lola Hitzel *Rockland Ridge room 301*

Eva Leonhart *Eagle Point Room 105-B*

Peggy Smith - *Altercare of Summit Acres Apt 308*

Homebound: Betty Logan, Helen Sweeney, and Martha Nulter

News and Centennial



- ◆ The clothing store is closed for the year, but we plan to reopen for a short time this spring.
- ◆ Only 200 copies of our 100-page centennial book plan to be printed and pre-sale orders will remain open.
- ◆ Our next meeting will be January 11 and we will start meeting every month at that point
- ◆ As of yesterday, it will be 6 months until the banquet for the Centennial Celebration
- ◆ In the coming weeks, we will be using this Centennial News box to request help/ gather information on events and pictures that are being used in the Centennial Book.

Copies of Tom Butterfield's booklets, "Making It Through the Holidays" are available again this year. We have placed copies on the foyer desk.

Celebrate

Birthday and Anniversary

11/26—Julia DePuy birthday

Della Poling birthday

11/29—Kelly Gibbs birthday

Kim James birthday

Thank you!

Dear Church Family,

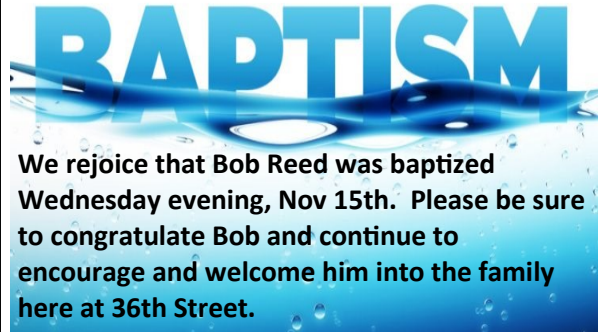
Thank you so much for all my birthday cards and the love and encouragement that came with them. This church family is the best!

Sincerely,
Ileene Lemley

To all my friends at church,
Thank you so much for the bag of gifts I received this past week. It was so thoughtful for you to think of us who are homebound. It was so very much appreciated. I miss you all so much.

Love to all,
Betty Logan

Dear Church,
Thank you for the cards, prayers, phone calls and food I received during my illness and fall. They were greatly appreciated.
—Nancy Sams



We rejoice that Bob Reed was baptized Wednesday evening, Nov 15th. Please be sure to congratulate Bob and continue to encourage and welcome him into the family here at 36th Street.

Would you like to send a card?

You may place cards in the basket by the Deacon's desk & we will mail them out.

- ★ **Dec 4(Mon)**—Leadership meeting in MPR @ 7PM
- ★ **Dec 9(Sat)**—Breakfast at the Airport @ 9AM
- ★ **Dec 9 (Sat)**— Church Christmas Luncheon at noon hosted by Widows Walk. This will be a soup, sandwich and salads potluck for the whole church. We plan to do an ugly sweater contest , a gift exchange (\$10) and then bring your best cookies for a cookie exchange.
- ★ **Dec 15(Fri)**— meet in the MPR @ 5PM for pizza and snacks and then caroling afterwards
- ★ **Dec 16(Sat)**—Gift wrapping @ 3PM. Bring scissors and tape. Punch and chips provided. Bring a snack if you want.

Children in need of Santa for Christmas



This week is the last week for donations for the Women's Care Center to help support and celebrate the Sanctity of Human Life.



Girls

13 yr old
9 yr old
5 yr old
7 yr old
17 yr old
15 yr old
6 yr old

Boys

4 yr old
4 yr old
11 yr old
8 yr old
7 yr old
12 yr old

Service Station Items Needed



Toilet Paper
Shampoo

Please start looking for blankets, winter gloves, hats, coats and scarves to bring in



Please help donate for **Christmas bags for the shut-ins and elderly**. Items need to be snack size/small sized for the bags. Here are some ideas of items that have worked well.

- *Little notepads *Calendars *Hand Sanitizer
- *Pens/ Mechanical pencils *Nail Files/clippers
- *Crosswords/word search books *Snacks
- *Lotions *Tissues *Flashlights *Chapsticks
- *Playing cards *Candy/mints * Fun socks *Gloves

***See Della with any questions

Kids' Corner

According to Ephesians 6:10-20 which part of the armor of God is the Word of God?

- A. Belt of Truth
- B. Breastplate of Righteousness
- C. Shield of Faith
- D. Sword of the Spirit



Tell the correct answer to Julie DePuy (and wish her a happy birthday today) for a prize.

Hey moms, dads, grandparents and **KIDS!** There is a new activity packet for school-age or younger children in the foyer on the first Sunday of every month.

Sunday, November 26, 2023 10:30 AM

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Song

Song Leader: Spencer Mason

Welcome & Opening Prayer
John Eckhart

Song After Prayer

Song Before Communion

Table Speaker: Jim Shuman

Scripture Reading: Matthew Snyder
1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Speaker: Roger Rush
"Perspectives on the Cross"

Invitation Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Terry Garner

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song Leader: Mike Hale

Welcome Prayer: John Garner

Scripture Reading: Fred Newberry
Psalm 1

Speaker: Roger Rush
"The Happy Man"

PM Communion
Jim Taylor

Announcements / Closing Prayer:
Terry Garner

Ushers

Duane Smith, Rick Kellar, Mike Hale

Privileged to Serve

	<u>12/3/2023</u>	<u>12/10/2023</u>
Song Leader	J Houser	C Doyle
Welcome/Prayer	T Garner	D Smith
Table Speaker	K Gibbs	J Kelley
Read Scripture	M Snyder	G Grimm
Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	T Garner

Evening Services

Song Leader	J Houser	A Klingler
Welcome/Prayer	M Hale	J Taylor
Read Scripture	F Newberry	R Craig
Speaker	K Gibbs	D Kashorek
Communion	J Lemley	J Carrico
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	T Garner
Lead Usher	C Jones	C Jones
Usher 1	R Hoover	R Hoover
Usher 2	M Snyder	M Snyder

Attendance & Contribution Week of 11/19/23

Sunday AM Bible Study: 66
Sunday AM Worship: 122
Sunday PM Worship: 54
Wednesday Bible Study: 63
Contribution: \$3,086.60
Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

**Direct deposit contributions can be made here:
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1322070>**

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☆ **Those Serving in the Military:** ☆
☆ **Chris & Melanie DePuy, U.S. Air Force** ☆
☆ *(son of Jeff & Julie DePuy)* ☆
☆ **Brad Gibbs, U.S. Navy** ☆
☆ *(grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs)* ☆
☆ **Luke George, National Guard** ☆
☆ *(grandson-in-law of Anna Hart)* ☆
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WTAP – Sunday mornings at 7:30 AM

