

THE LORD'S DAY – December 9, 2018

Stir Up Love and Good Works!

Welcome Visitors

We are glad you are here! Please fill out the guest card.

Family Bible Classes – 9:30 am

For all ages! Nursery is available

Fellowship Time – 10:25 am

(coffee & snacks in the kitchen)

Morning Worship – 10:45 am

Nursery is available

ORDER OF SERVICE

- Prelude (prepare your heart)
- CB #149, "Bless His Holy Name"
- Prayer
- Hymn #108, "Angels, From the Realms of Glory"
- Announcements / Pastoral Prayer
- Worship with our gifts and offerings
- Hymn #109, "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear"
- Ministry of music
- Hymn #103, "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"
- **Ministry of the Word: "Jesus Is Coming Again!" (Matthew 24:29-35)**
- Hymn #194, "Jesus Is Coming Again"

No AWANA Ministry tonight

Evening Celebration – 6:00 pm

- **Devotions and Annual Business Meeting** (election for Deacons / Church Clerk, vote on 2019 budget, and other things)

CARES CHORUS (CB #23)

I cast all my cares upon You. I lay all of my burdens down at Your feet. And any time that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon You.

"And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works" (Hebrews 10:24)

Please remember the **Open Door Mission shoebox ministry** for the homeless. The teens will be packing the boxes on Wed., Dec. 19th.

"So long as we are occupied with any other object than God Himself, there will be neither *rest* for the heart, nor *peace* for the mind. But when we receive all that enters our lives as *from His hand*—then, no matter what may be our circumstances or surroundings—whether in a hovel, a prison-dungeon, or a martyr's stake—we shall be enabled to say, "The lines have fallen unto me in pleasant places!" (Psalm 16:6). But that is the language of *faith*, not of *sight* or of *sense*." – **Arthur Pink** (1886-1952)

OFFERING REPORT

Offering (12/02) \$ 3,877.25

Weekly budget need \$ 2,350.00

Faith Facility Stewardship Fund (FFS)
current balance \$ 18,416.16

Personal Listening Devices are available - request one at the sound booth.

THIS WEEK:

Mon. 7:00 pm – **Ladies' Christmas Party** at the parsonage (please sign up)

Wed. 6:30 pm – **Christmas Caroling for Teens and all who wish to go**
7:00 pm – **Bible Study and Prayer Meeting**

COMING UP:

Dec. 16 6:00 pm – **Christmas Concert** from Jessica Austin and others, prelude starts at 5:45 pm

Dec. 21 (Fri., 1:00 - 6:00 pm), **Red Cross Blood Drive** in our gym (sign-up)

Dec. 24 (Mon., 7:00 pm), **Christmas Eve Service**

Dec. 29 (Sat.), **Open Door Mission Ministry** (sign-up if you can participate)

Dec. 30 6:00 pm – **Nathan Burggraaf** in concert

FAITH FOCUS ON PRAYER ("pray without ceasing..." - I Thess. 5:17):

- 1) To consider one another to stir up love and good works
- 2) Pray for the persecuted church in **Myanmar** – Local authorities recently passed a law forbidding Buddhists from hiring Christians for work and renting or selling anything to Christians. As a result, believers in that village are unable to buy food. Every day, village authorities pressure the Christians to return to Buddhism, promising that if they do they will be able to buy food again. The believers, however, are standing firm. "This is not a game," one Christian replied. "We believe in Christ 100% and we will die believing." When a Buddhist vendor sold a banana to a Christian recently, he was detained for three days and fined. The man later decided to become a Christian, asking another believer to teach him the Bible and baptize him, because he saw that the Buddhists were wrong. Pray that this man grows and stands firm in his faith despite the persecution he will likely face.
- 3) For our country: revival; believers being salt and light
- 4) For the first responders of our community
- 5) For our young families with babies and young children
- 6) George Glasow & Jim Todd - encouragement
- 7) Laura Miller - neuromuscular disease; Don Jones - vertigo
- 8) Ed Frattare - in 6-month chemo regimen (5 of 12 treatments are done)
- 9) Elyse's dad (Warren Howard) - has a very rare cancer in the blood vessels of his bladder, the recommended surgery would need to be done quickly (before Christmas), pray for wisdom
- 10) Elijah Botsford's surgery for a herniated umbilical cord is scheduled for tomorrow, Dec. 10th

Nursery

12/09 SS - Bonnie C; Sun AM - Ondeya C (Isaiah)

12/16 SS - Kendall B; Sun AM - Cathy H (Elijah)

Out of respect for others and to minimize distractions, please turn cell phones off, or set them to silent mode during the services.

DECEMBER

BIRTHDAYS:

5 - Melany Figuerola
9 - Alfredo Figuerola
10 - Mike Bellandi
22 - Donna Lawrence
28 - George Forest
31 - Elyse Richard

ANNIVERSARIES:

18 - Figuerola