

The

Messenger



December 2020

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Mission Statement

McCutchanville Community Church's mission is to connect our community with God's power and hope through the love of Christ.

Greg Davis, Pastor



We wish you a Merry Christmas!

In the Gospel of Luke 1:26-56 you will find the incredible account of how Mary was notified through the angel Gabriel of being chosen to give birth to the Son of God, Jesus. A selection of the words of Scripture:

28 *The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you."*

29 *Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. 30 But the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. 31 You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever; his kingdom will never end."*

34 *"How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?"*

35 *The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."*

Mary was a young, poor female—all characteristics that to the people of her day, would make her seem unusable to God. But God chose Mary for one of the most important acts of obedience he has ever demanded of anyone. And what a demand it was! Mary had to process the request and follow with all her heart mind and soul.

This calendar year, 2020, has made many demands that are out of the ordinary upon all of us. For parents of young children, it has meant keeping them safe as well as providing an avenue for them to prosper and learn, while patience is stretched to the limit. For children, it has meant not being able to interact with their friends and family. For a generation who is older in their years, it is fear of a pandemic that is causing more adverse effect than other age groups. But really every generation has been touched as well as our lifestyle and economy.

Look closely at Mary's question to Gabriel (God) found in verse 34: *"How will this be?"* I can imagine she is really saying there is no way – I can't do this and it's not possible! God gave Mary the answer she needed and the answer we need today to cope in all circumstances: Vs35: ***"The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you."***

As we finish this year and celebrate the birth of the Messiah under pandemic circumstances, nothing has changed. As Christians, we have the Holy Spirit who is willing and ready to unleash the power of God in you. This power will never leave you, trouble you, disappoint you, or give up on you. This year, you may have to find new ways to celebrate the birth of our Savior, but make sure you receive Him so that God's power might provide Hope, Joy, Love, and Peace in your life.

Pastor Greg





Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Christmas Eve Service will be revised this year.

- It will NOT be held in McJohnston Chapel this year.
 - Instead of our traditional Candlelight Service, a service will be pre-recorded and sent out on Christmas Eve.
 - The sanctuary at the church will be open on Christmas Eve for you to stop by between the hours of 4-5:30 PM for open-communion. You may come as a family at your convenience and spend personal time.
 - Scripture guides for this evening will be available.
 - The sanctuary will be made ready for this evening with candlelight. Christmas carols, and Holy Communion.
- Remember, this is only for this year as it is our hope and prayer that we can return to our normal worship service next Christmas.

Integrity Compassion Safety Team Oriented Committed



UNITED METHODIST
YOUTH HOME

Christmas is right around the corner. If you would like to help spread some holiday cheer, there are many ways to help make a hard time of year happier for the youth at The United Methodist Youth Home.

Christmas Gifts (needed by December 11th)
Please keep in mind that the "kids" wear adult sized clothing. While young at heart, they're also regular teens who like to wear the nice and new clothing items your teenage relatives would appreciate.

Holiday Drop-off: Sweets and good eats can really help lift one's spirits. If you would like to prepare a meal to drop off or put together goodie bags for the youth, contact Kelley T at 812.479.7535 to set up a drop off time.

The items for the Christmas wish list can be dropped off at MCC and will be taken to the UMYH on December 11th.

Christmas Wishlist

<p>9 Young Ladies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's Jogger Pants House Shoes Bras in varying sizes Sweatshirts & Hoodies Body Wash, Lotions, Body Sprays, & Loofahs PJ Bottoms or Sweatpants (M-XXL) Thermals 	<p>8 Young Men:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Jogger Pants House Shoes Flannel PJ Bottoms or Sweatpants (M-XXL) Athletic Hoodies (M-XXL) Men's Body Sprays (like Axe) Thermals Belts
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For All (17):

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teen Bibles Earbuds Sketch Pads Volleyballs, Footballs, Basketballs, Baseballs & Mitts Alarm Clocks Bed pillows and Sheet Sets Scarves & Gloves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gift Cards (Kohls, Wal-mart, Target, Amazon, Shoe Carnival, Uber/Lyft, etc.) Mechanical Pencils Devotionals Dictionaries
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Thanks for Donating!

MCC did it again! Many thanks to MCC and God's Kids who donated 130 Cake Mixes for the Rescue Mission's Gobbler Gathering during November. Thank you Betty and Frank Gentry for delivering them!

AND, there were 59 Christmas Shoe boxes filled and delivered during October & November. It is wonderful to be part of such a giving and mission based church!





Advent Calendar
 As we do every year, McCutchanville Community Church will be providing an Advent Calendar for all our children, both in the church and God's Kids. Open a different "window" each day of December to reveal a CHRISTIAN IMAGE behind each one, no Santa Claus, elf or snowman. These calendars have a picture and a Bible passage behind each window. Make this a tradition in your family.

Tuesday's

Provided by
 "The Men in the
 Kitchen"



If you would like to receive meals and would like it delivered, please contact the church.

December 1: Vegetable Soup

December 10: Ham Sandwich

December 22: Chicken Fettuccine

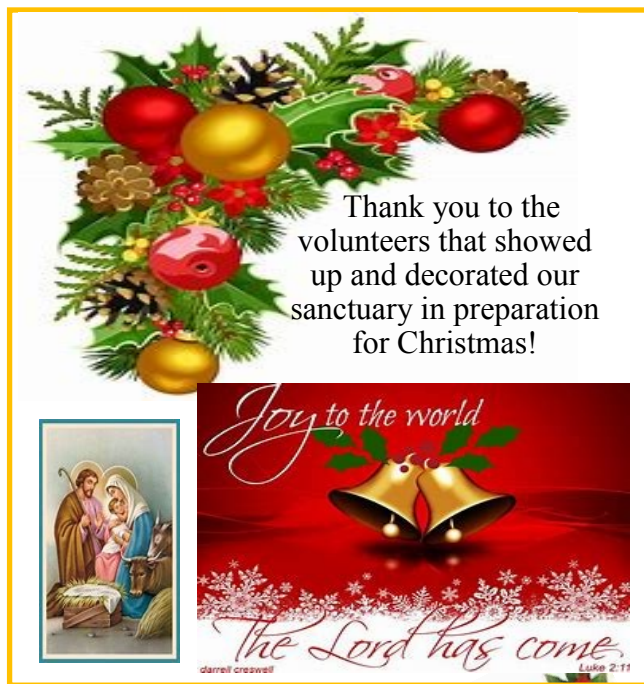
December 29: Chili Soup

January 5, 2021: Vegetable Soup



Christmas Tree in Fellowship Are

The tree in the Fellowship Area is decorated with new hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves for children or adults. Please bring your items and hang them on the tree. After Christmas all of these items will be taken to Patchwork Central for them to give out as needed.



Thank you to the volunteers that showed up and decorated our sanctuary in preparation for Christmas!



November 2020 Attendance and Giving

	Att	Building Fund	General Fund	Internet Giving	Missions	YMYH meals	Total Checking Deposit
November 8		\$930.00	\$1,545.00	\$200.00	\$5.00		\$2,675.00
November 15	40	\$500.00	\$525.00	\$100.00			\$1,125.00
November 22	24	\$400.00	\$2,150.00	\$100.00		\$140.00	\$2,790.00
November 29	33	\$755.00	\$1,132.00	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$2,087300





DECEMBER

Ruth Postal	2
James Meador	3
Michelle Kingsbury	9
John Rea	10
Gerald "Jerry" Bennett	15
Elvin Reed	17
Elisha Smith	22
Martha Kohler	23
Carroll Feistel	28
Kristy Georgesen	31



We Believe In The Power Of Prayer



Prayer Requests:

Jim and Margie Smith, Mary Lou Ellis has moved to Holiday Village, Elvin Read broke his ankle and had surgery but is now home, Gene Glackman, The Doty Family, Cheryl Rothemeier, Debby Phares is now rehabbing in Owensville Transcendent Care, Josette Higgins And Ed Schiffer (cancer treatments), Kristy Georgesen's mother Velma Hein, all area schools and universities, God's Kids Howard Briscoe (Teresa's father who is now with Hospice), Dorothy Hanson (Gary Hanson's mother), Austin Smith, (firefighter) , Amy Dubber, Joy Roettger, David and Sara Dixon, Helen Finke's niece, Mischelle, who had a stroke and is in a rehab center in Chicago with no visitors allowed, our Nation as we prepare to cast our ballots, Our Haitian children: Daphnica Noel and Richecarde Charitable Louissant, MCCutchanville Firefighters, The homeless population.

Do you have a prayer request you would like listed in the Messenger?

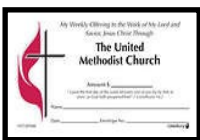


Happy Anniversary



DECEMBER

Norman & Martha Kohler 14



Offering envelopes for 2021 are available to be picked up from the table in the lobby. If you do not see one with your name on it and would like a box, please contact Martha Lease.

Since tax laws have changed, most people can no longer itemize on their tax returns. Therefore, I will not be preparing 2020 tax donation letters. If you want a letter showing your donation, please contact Martha Lease and a letter will be prepared for you.



Wear your favorite Christmas Attire
Let's get with the season on Sunday, December 20th.

Wear your favorite or ugly (others will be the judge of that) Christmas attire to church. Decorate yourself on this third Sunday of Advent, often called the Sunday of JOY!

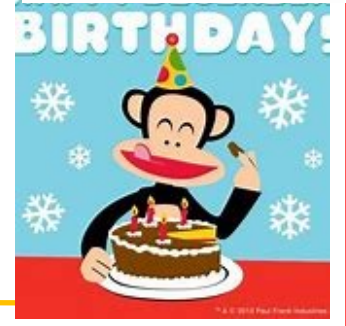




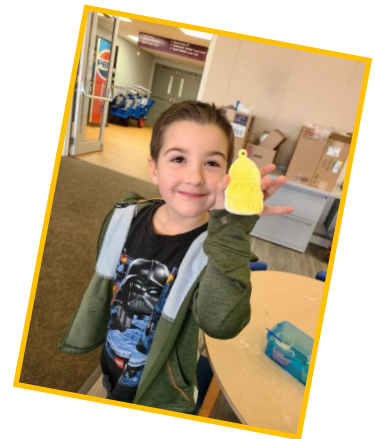
GOD'S KIDS Reporting



Happy birthday to our ember Kids: Ethan (5), Asher (8), Caille (21) Jewel (23), and Hank (26). And of course we won't forget Jesus' birthday on December 25!





This certainly is a different year for us at God's Kids too! We will not be able to invite our parents in for our Christmas Programs. We truly love to bless our family and church members with our Christmas singing but we will wait for next year just as many things have to wait. We were able, however, to make beautiful Christmas Ornaments again this year for our family because Fired Up came to God's Kids! Here are a few pictures of us enjoying the festivities and being creative!



God's Kids is following the "original" EVSC calendar. We will be closed December 21- January 4.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
November 29	30 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	December 1 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved	2 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	53 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	4	5 Gym Reserved 10:00 AM
6 Communion Sunday	7 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	68 0 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved	9 Gym reserved :30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	10 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	11	12 Gym Reserved 10:00 AM
13	14 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	15 1:30 Gym Reserved	16 Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	17 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	18 Gym Reserved 5:00 pm-GS	19 Gym Reserved 10:00 AM
20 Christmas Attire day-Ugly Sweater Day! 	21 God's Kids Closed Gym reserved 1:30-3:00	22 God's Kids Closed 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved Girl Scouts	23 God's Kids Closed gm reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym	24 God's Kids Closed Christmas Eve Service-Sanctuary Open d 6:00-	25 	26
27	28 God's Kids Closed Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 Gym Reserved	29 God's Kids Closed 1:30 Gym Reserved	30 God's Kids Closed Gym reserved 1:30-3:00 6:00-8:00 Gym	31 God's Kids Closed Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	January 1 God's Kids Closed Happy New Year	2
3 Communion Sunday	4 God's Kids Resumes 1:30 Gym Reserved Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	5 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00 Gym Reserved Girl Scouts	6 1:30 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00 Gym Reserved	7 Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00	8	9