

Messenger



Greg Davis, Pastor

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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.



December Greetings and Merry Christmas!

Greetings

Do you have the joy in your heart like a small child anticipating Christmas? Waiting can be very difficult. Is there a more beautiful service than being in the chapel on Christmas Eve, raising your candle, singing “Silent Night, Holy Night?” If you ask Teresa or my children what my favorite music is, and they will quickly reply, Christmas music of course. For real excitement, stop by God’s Kids that last week before Christmas and you will see God’s children alive and so excited they can hardly stand it.

For some Christmas can be difficult due to heartaches, heartbreaks, losses, insecurities over many factors and just the ups and downs of life. I urge you to seek peace through the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ, who came to us on this day we call Christmas. Christmas brings to us God incarnate, meaning God with flesh and blood, like one of us, yet fully God. I would like to consider His incarnation in this letter to you this month.

Incarnation. That is what Christmas is all about. It is the coming of light in a world of darkness. It is God breaking through all of the barriers. It is strength and power and might redefined in the form of a newborn baby. Christmas is peace, love, joy, and hope. And just as that candle spreads from the table in the sanctuary to those that are singing in the sanctuary, Christmas is the light of Christ spreading into the hearts of the faithful, and being carried out into the world. It is not about “happily ever after.” It is about the presence of God in the midst of real life.

It is a reminder that right here in the world is a promise that God is with us. Right here with the cancer is hope. Right here with the struggle and upheaval is peace. Right here in the gathering of Christ’s people is joy. Right here with our fellow humans, hurting, sinning, and falling, is love.

So I’m waiting for Christmas Eve, and that day will be here before you know it. I’m waiting to wish you a Merry Christmas, and to see your face lit by the glow of a candle. It’s my favorite time of year, and I’m so glad we can do this together.

In Christ,
Pastor Greg

Announcements and Upcoming Events



Mark your calendars for a Baby Shower! January 6, 2018 at 2:00pm.

The Ladies of the church are cordially invited to a baby

shower for Elizabeth and Adam Sponseller and baby boy Sponseller. The Sponsellers are registered at :

BABIES R US

Find a store near you!



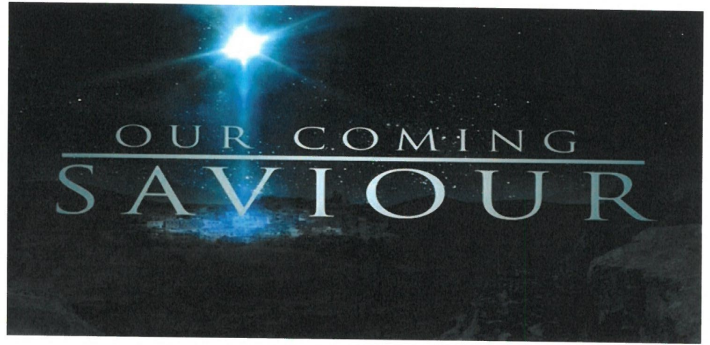
Please RSVP to Jane Bennett

at 812-455-7101 by December 23, 2017

CHRISTMAS WITH GORDON MOTE



**DECEMBER 21, 2017
THURSDAY--7:00 PM
OWENSVILLE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
FREE WILL OFFERING**



Join us for Advent at McCutchanville Community Church as we prepare for Christmas through a series entitled "Our Coming Saviour"

Sunday Worship Time is 10:30 AM

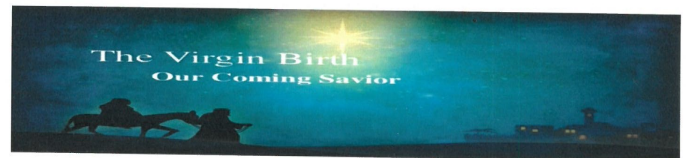
Sun, 12/3 Message: Elizabeth & Zechariah – What's in a name?

Sun, 12/10 Message: Herod – The First Grinch

Sun, 12/17 Message: Shepherds – Don't Hold Back

Sun, 12/24 Message: Mary & Joseph – Yes Lord!

Sun, 12/24 Christmas Eve Candlelight in the Chapel at 4:30 PM – Silent Night



The Advent coin cans are now available to pick up and fill with loose coins. We will use some of the collection for our mission to send a Haitian child to school. Cory announced last week that it takes approximately \$350.00 to send one child to school for a year .



Birthdays This Month



Happy Anniversary



Norman & Martha Kohler 14
Lanny & Jenny Taylor 26

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Ruth Postal 2
James Meador 3
Michelle Kingsbury 9
John Rea 10
Lanny Taylor 11
Gordon Venema 13



"Jesus loves the little children..."



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UNITED METHODIST
YOUTH HOME

The Bishop's CHRISTMAS OFFERING

of the Indiana Conference of The United Methodist Church

inumc.org/christmasoffering

Thank you so much for providing holiday cheer for our Day Treatment youth! Many of them would have had small or no celebrations on Thanksgiving without your help. Your food donations to these families were a blessings.

~ Allison Harrison,
Development Assistant



We will collect the Bishop's Christmas Offering during the Christmas Eve service at 4:30 in McJohnston Chapel.



November Attendance and Giving

	Attendance	Building Fund	General Fund	Internet Giving	Rent: Facility & Houses	Habitat Collection & Missions	Food Pantry	Fish Fry	Total Checking Deposit
November 5	63	\$1,015.00	\$3,085.00	\$1,100.00		\$122.00	\$25.00	\$19.00	\$5,366.00
November 12	76	\$383.00	\$1550.09	\$1,375.00					\$3,308.09
November 19	81	\$194.00	\$1,053.00	\$1,100.00	\$75.00				\$2,347.00
November 26	78	\$189.00	\$2007.00	\$1,100.00	\$125.00				\$3,301.00



Prayer requests:
 Vera McCutchan, Nancy Glackman, Joe Haseman, Mary Kay Stoermer & Terri Schuetter (both from God's Kids Staff), Cory & Annelle's granddaughter

Eleanor, Janice Kinney, Betty Brown, Victor Doty, Brick Briscoe (Teresa Davis's brother) Sharon Hendricks, Ed Schiffer, Joy Roettger, David and Sara Dixon, Ruth Postal, Marie Pickett, MCC Eleven Firefighters, The homeless population, God's Kids, Pioneer Club



Sweet little Jesus boy,
 help us to remember who you really are.
**"This is how God showed his love for us:
 God sent his one and only son into the world to give us life."
 1 John 4:9**



Thanks to all who have collected Campbell labels through the years. Sadly they are discontinuing the program and will no longer accept labels after December 31, 2017. You helped us to purchase many valuable toys for God's Kids. Thank you. Terrie Schuetter, Director of God's Kids

*Unto Us
 a Child is Born*



The 2018 collection envelopes are now available. Please pick your envelopes up soon.



It is time to place orders for Holiday Poinsettias. The Poinsettias are \$10.00 each this year and are available in either red, white, or pink

Please complete the order form and submit with your payment to the church office



Ushers for the Upcoming Months

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| January | Gary Sprinkle
Martha Lease
Joan & Elvin Reed |
| February | Jane & Jerry Bennett
Josette Higgins
Michael Barnett |
| March | Betty & Frank Gentry
Barba & Victor Doty |
| April | Karen Swope
Mardee Rea
Keith Kinney
Kent Bruuress |



In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given by _____

_____ Red _____ White _____ Pink

Total: _____

**Orders must be received by
 Dec 11, 2017.**

Poinsettias will be delivered
 December 15



GOD'S KIDS reporting..



DECEMBER

is quite a busy month for us! Even though we are planning no out-of-school field trips, we have been busy practicing for our Christmas Programs that we will present to family and friends. On December 1, the Starfish and Rainbowfish will present their Christmas Program in the sanctuary at 6:30 pm; the Clownfish, Angelfish, and Jellyfish will present their Program on December 6 at 1:00 pm and the Wales and Dolphins will preform on December 8 at 6:30 pm. The MCC congregation is invited to attend the Christmas Programs.

December Birthdays are so much fun-we share the month with Jesus as we celebrate! God's Kids children who are celebrating birthdays this month are: Emma (1), Arabella (13), Kason (19), Ryker (21), Mason (23) and Bentley (28). We pray these little ones have a blessed birthday and many wonderful years ahead.



God's Kids follows EVSC calendar. There will be no school on December 21 through January 2. School will resume on January 3, 2018.



God's Kids is had a fund raiser with Little Caesar's pizza kits, breadsticks and cookie dough. If you ordered through God's Kids, the delivery date is December 7!



PROFILE OF THE MONTH: Teacher Miss Priscilla Schmitt

My name is Miss Priscilla Schmitt. I have been married to my amazing husband Jason for 12 years! We have three children: Jaxon who is 9 and is our smart, attentive boy; Paisley who is 6 and is our cheerleader and keeps us very busy; and Jake who is 3 and loves all sports.

We all love camping and being out of doors.



This is my second year at God's Kids and I love teaching the 3 year olds. I have an \ Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education and I am excited to be back working in a preschool environment.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
November 26 Hanging of the Greens	November 27 6:30pm- Room 203 reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts-Fellowship	November 28 6:00 pm Pioneer Club	November 29 Choir Practice 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	November 30 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	December 1 6:30 God's Kids 3 year old Christmas Program	2 10:00-11:30 am Gym Reserved
3 Communion Sunday	4 6:30pm- Room 203 reserved	5 10:00 am God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa Noon-UMW Carousel Restaurant 6:00 pm Pioneer Club	6 6:30 Choir Practice 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	7 6:00 pm Trustee Meeting 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	8 11:30 am Unity Class Christmas Party-Canton Inn 6:30 God's Kids Christmas program 6:00 Gym reserved	9 10:00-11:30am Gym Reserved 11:30 gym reserved
10	11 6:30pm- Room 203 reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall	12 10:00 am God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa 6:00 pm Pioneer Club	13 6:30 Choir Practice 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	14 6:00 pm Ad/ Finance Council Meeting 6:00-7:30 Gym	15	16 10:00-11:30am Gym Reserved
17	18 6:30pm- Room 203 reserved	19 10:00 am God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa	20 6:30 Choir Practice 6:00-7:30 Gym reserved	21 God's Kids Closed Until Jan 3, 2018	22	23 10:00-11:30am Gym Reserved
24 Christmas Eve Service McJohnston Chapel 4:30	25  6:30pm- Room 203 reserved	26 No UMW Meeting	27 6:30 Choir Practice 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	28 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	29	30 10:00-11:30am Gym Reserved
31	January 1 6:30pm- Room 203 reserved	2 6:00pm Pioneer Club	3 God's Kids Open 6:30 Choir Practice 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	4 6:00-7:30 Gym Reserved	5	6 10:00-11:30 Gym rental