

# The Messenger



Greg Davis, Pastor

*Mission Statement*

December 2021

9505 Petersburg Road •  
Evansville, IN 47725  
(812) 867-5735 •

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

*From the  
Pastor*



Greetings for the Blessed Season of Advent!

This month's article is a bit different from past articles. Have you ever said: "I wish I had a crystal ball to see what the future holds."? Did you know that the birth of Jesus was prophesied well before the actual event happened?

Let us take a look at just a few of the prophecies concerning the birth of Jesus.

We know Jesus was of Jewish descent and therefore was the seed of Abraham. In Genesis 22:18 we are told that through Abraham's offspring "all nations on earth will be blessed."  
Christians believe Jesus is the fulfillment of this promise.

We also know that He is from the line of Jacob, Abraham's grandson. Numbers 24:17: "I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not near. A star will come out of Jacob; a scepter will rise out of Israel."

From Isaiah 11:1 we know He is from the line of Jesse, the father of King David: "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a branch will bear fruit. The spirit of the Lord will rest on Him."

From Jeremiah 23:5-6 we know He is from the line of King David: "The days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land ... This is the name by which he will be called: the Lord our righteous savior."

Reaffirming that Jesus is from the line of King David, we have this prophecy from 2 Samuel 7:12-13, which was actually spoken by Samuel to King David: "When your days are over and you rest with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, who will come from your own body, and I will establish his kingdom. He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of His kingdom forever."

From the prophecy of Micah, 5:2 we know He was born into the tribe of Judah in the region of Ephrathah, in the town of Bethlehem: "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."

From Isaiah 7:14 we know that He was born from a virgin: "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and you will call him Immanuel." The name *Immanuel* means "God with us" and indicates the divinity of Jesus.

That Jesus would be worshipped by shepherds from the desert, and that foreign kings would present gifts to Him is revealed in Psalm 72:9,10: "May the desert tribes bow before Him and His enemies lick the dust. May the Kings of Tarshish and of distant shores bring tribute to Him. May the Kings of Sheba and Seba present Him gifts. May all Kings bow down to Him and all nations serve Him."

(Cont from page 1)

When Jesus was born, King Herod slaughtered a number of children in an attempt to kill Him. This is predicted in Jeremiah 31:15: "A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more."

In response to this attempt on the life of Jesus, Joseph is warned in a dream to take Jesus to Egypt, where they stayed until Herod died. This is told in Hosea 11:1: "When Israel was a child, I loved Him, and out of Egypt I called my Son."

As we look at these prophecies collectively they are astonishing because of their accuracy alone. Yet, they become all the more astonishing when we consider the unlikelihood of all of these prophecies being fulfilled ... but they were! This is just one of the reasons we begin each Sunday worship by saying:

"God is Faithful, all the time!"

Merry Christmas,

*Pastor Greg*



Our Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be in McJohnston Chapel at 5:00 PM. This is always a very special service. MCC choir will sing and Pastor Greg will deliver a short Christmas Eve Service. The evening will end with a candlelight circle while we sing "Silent Night". You, your family members and the public are invited to attend.

# HIS NAME IS JESUS

A MUSICAL FOR CHRISTMAS

MCC choir is pleased to bring you music from the timely Christmas musical, *His Name Is Jesus*. This Christmas, our choir and congregation will experience afresh the awe-inspiring wonder of Jesus' birth and the limitless power of His name. Each week of December during worship and on Christmas Eve, the choir will preform songs from the musical.

Come join us and even invite someone to come to worship with you each Sunday morning during December at 10:30 AM.

**TITLES in the Cantata:** *Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come with O Come, All Ye Faithful; What Did You Say Was the Baby's Name?; And His Name; Emmanuel; Hark! the Herald Angels Sing; He Knows My Name; Say the Name; Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I Know; Your Name; Finale: What Did You Say Was the Baby's Name? with Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

Below is a picture of Pastor Greg during chapel time with Pastor Greg & Teresa on Tuesday mornings.



Who loves this time more? Pastor Greg or the kids?



Advent Devotional Books are now available on the table in the foyer. "A Wonderful Life" is based on the 1943 short story "The Greatest Gift" and warm our hearts with the inspiring lesson that life is precious. These reflections pair God's Word with powerful scenes from the life and times of the film's central character, George Bailey.





It is time to place orders for Holiday Poinsettias. The Poinsettias are \$12.00 each this year and are available in either red or white. Please complete the order form and submit with your payment to the church office by Sunday, December 5, 2021.

Red  White  Pink

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Red  White  Pink

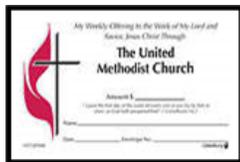
In    Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_  
Orders must be received by Dec 5, 2021

As this part of the Davis family approaches another Thanksgiving together a little bigger and a little noisier, we can't help but feel excitement and optimistic about the time to come. God has blessed us with so much this past year, that we had to say how much love and support we feel from the McCutchanville Community Church. The recent gift was extremely generous and is so very appreciated by Sun Mi, Colton, Kyra, and myself. Parenthood teaches us so many things, but being reminded that God's love flows forth from His church is truly a blessing. Thank you so much and please continue to keep Kyra's sleep-deprived Mommy in your prayers!  
Love to you all.



Envelopes for your 2022 Tithes and Offerings are now available on the table in the Fellowship area. Please pick yours up and prepare for the new year.



December is again "Anything Goes" for Patchwork Central's Food Bank. Please bring any non-perishable item and place it in the basket in the hallway. Any and every little bit helps!



Food Pantry Donations Needed

**TUESDAY  
EVENING  
CARRY OUT**



- December 7: Hamburger & Brats**
- December 14: Chili**
- December 21: Turkey & Dumplings**
- December 28: Sloppy Joes**
- January 4: Chicken Noodles Soup**



# Spirit of Giving



The Mitten Tree is set up and ready for you to add donations of

Mittens, hats, scarves, and socks. These items will be donated to Patchwork Central to children in Evansville.



Together, MCC and God's Kids donated 69 filled shoe boxes to Operation Christmas Child. The boxes will be delivered to needy children around the world!



"My Advent Gift" collection boxes are places around the church for your Advent collection. This year, the money from the Advent boxes will be divided between Hatti and the UM Youth Home.

## Unto the Least of These - Ministry to the Homeless in Evansville

### \*\*A note from Jennie Heim\*\*

Well, I see you and your church have struck it rich for our ministry again!! I am pretty sure all of those things in my garage are from out your way. Please give them a HUGE THANK YOU for us from the homeless of our area. The Lord is SO VERY GOOD! He has been meeting the needs for our people right and left! Any time any of you want to go out on the streets with us, please let me know. It would be an honor to have you with us! Love ALL of you guys!  
J.

Please drop your donations off at MCC in the designated tub.

I KNOW Jesus is joining in with all of us in this endeavor! Thank You, Dear Master of the Universe!

Thanks HEAPS!  
Jennie Hiam  
"Unto the Least of These"-Homeless Ministry  
Aldersgate UMC

[Street Talk 11.17.21](#)



MCC did it again! Many thanks to MCC and God's Kids who donated 79 Cake Mixes for the Rescue Mission's Gobbler Gathering during November. Thank you Betty and Frank Gentry for delivering them!





*Do you have such attire?*

*Or maybe you can even top these?*



*Or perhaps you have an "Old Favorite" Christmas wardrobe item that you have been dying to show off. Well Sunday,*

*December 12<sup>th</sup> is the day to put on your finest! Look good, and wear*

*it proudly. Put on your best and let others be the judge.*



**DECEMBER**

|                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| Ruth Postal            | 2  |
| James Meador           | 3  |
| Michelle Kingsbury     | 9  |
| John Rea               | 10 |
| Gerald "Jerry" Bennett | 15 |
| Elvin Reed             | 17 |
| Kristy Georgesen       | 31 |



**Prayer Requests:** Mary Moore, Jim and Margie Smith, Sials (Jerry and Jane Bennet's great grandson, Angela (Mary Lou's caregiver), Megan (Roxie's former co-worker), Cherissa Williams, Barbara Seigert's mother, Barbara Harwood

Jenny Taylor, Debby Phares, Norm Koehler, Josette Higgins, Mary Lou Ellis, Ed Schiffer (cancer treatments), all area schools and universities, God's Kids, Amy Dubber, Sara Dixon, Our Haitian children: Daphnica Noel and Richecarde Charitable

Louissant, MCCutchanville Firefighters,

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

**Call the church office at 812-867-5735**



The UMYH is accepting donations of Christmas Gifts for the youth. Please drop off **unwrapped** gifts by December 6th.. Suggestions: Coloring Books, Coloring materials, fidget/sensory items/ crossword puzzles, word search books, board games, card games, gift cards, lego sets. Clothes: PJ sets, slippers, Nike socks, wallets, body sprays, athletic shorts.

If you prefer on-line shopping, you can shop Amazon and check out the UMHY Wishlist on Amazon.com. Be sure to select UMYH as your charity of choice for AmazonSmile! This gives you the opportunity to safely shop for all of your loved ones while giving back 0.5% of your eligible purchases to UMYH.

**November 2021 Attendance and Giving**

|             | Att | Building Fund | General Fund | Internet Giving | Youth Home Meals | Missions/ Advent Boxes | Tuesday Meals | Special Projects | Total Checking Deposit |
|-------------|-----|---------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------|------------------------|
| November 7  | 65  | \$1,220.00    | \$2,280.00   | \$468.65        | \$50.00          | \$5.00                 |               | \$3,000.00       | \$7,023.65             |
| November 14 | 73  | \$400.00      | \$5,980.00   | \$100.00        |                  | \$1.00                 | \$600.00      | \$10,000.00      | \$17,081.00            |
| November 21 | 64  |               | \$703.00     | \$100.00        | \$35.00          | \$26.00                |               |                  | \$864.00               |
| November 28 | 69  | \$20.00       | \$1568.00    | \$175.00        |                  | \$1.00                 | \$200.00      |                  | \$1,964.00             |



| Sun  | Mon   | Tue   | Wed   | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|--|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| November 28  | November 29<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00 | <b>November 30</b><br>God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa<br>1:30 Gym Reserved<br>Ad Council 6:00       | December 1<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>6:00 Gym Reserved                 | December 2<br>12:30 PM 2's Christmas Program<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00 | December 3  | December 4<br>8-10 Gym Reserved<br>Gym Reserved 3:00-*,00                                   |
| 5<br>Communion Sunday<br>Gym reserved 1:00-5:00 & 5:00-7:00  | 86<br>1:30 Gym Reserved<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00               | 7<br>10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa<br>1:30 Gym Reserved<br>6:00 Gym Reserved<br>Girl Scouts | 8<br>1:30 Gym Reserved<br>6:00 Gym Reserved                               | 9<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00  | 10<br>6:00 PM 3 Year Old Christmas Program  | 11<br>8-10 Gym Reserved   |
| 12<br><br><b>Favorite Christmas Attire Sunday</b><br>Gym Reserved 5:00-7:00 | 13<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00          | 14 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa<br>1:30 Gym Reserved<br>6:00 Gym Reserved                  | 15<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>6:00 Gym Reserved                         | 16<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00   | 17<br>6:00 PM Pre-K Christmas Program   | 18<br>8-10 Gym Reserved   |
| 19<br>Gym Reserved 5:00-7:00   | 20<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00          | 21<br>10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa<br>1:30 Gym Reserved<br>6:00 Gym Reserved               | 22<br>1:00 Woman's Meeting<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>6:00 Gym Reserved | 23<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00   | 24 5:00 Candlelight<br>McJohnston Chapel  | 25<br> |
| 26<br>Gym Reserved 5:00-7:00   | 27<br>Gym reserved 1:30<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00               | 28 10:00 God's Kids Chapel with Pastor Greg and Teresa<br>1:30 Gym Reserved                                       | 29<br>Gym reserved 1:30-3:00<br>6:00 Gym Reserved                         | 30<br>Gym Reserved 6:00-8:00   | 31<br> | January 1<br>8-10 Gym Reserved<br><b>HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022!</b>                               |