

December 2016

Providence Ponderings

PCC praises God for a successful Revival Series

Our November Revival Series was a huge success! More than 60 people attended each service to be encouraged and inspired to keep the faith during challenging times.

The first night of the Revival Series started off with refreshments. The service began with praise singing led by Brad and Deb Reed. The PCC choir inspired us to think about how our faith and God's love grow *Sweeter as the Days Go By*. The Crute family presented special music. Then Pastor Kris Sorensen discussed Nehemiah's faith in the face of opposition (Nehemiah 1:1-4, 2:4-5).

Before the second revival service, attendees enjoyed a potato bar. This service featured praise singing and special music by Reconciled. Rev. Tracy M. Ross preached another

powerful message, this one based on Acts 2:16-21.

After enjoying a chili dinner together, attendees at the final service were treated with special music by Revival Road Quartet. And with the choir's special music – *I Never Shall Forget That Day* – we remembered the day we came to Jesus “and all the burdens of my soul were rolled away.”

Thank you to everyone who attended our Revival services. We pray that the services showed you that the Savior is waiting to receive you!



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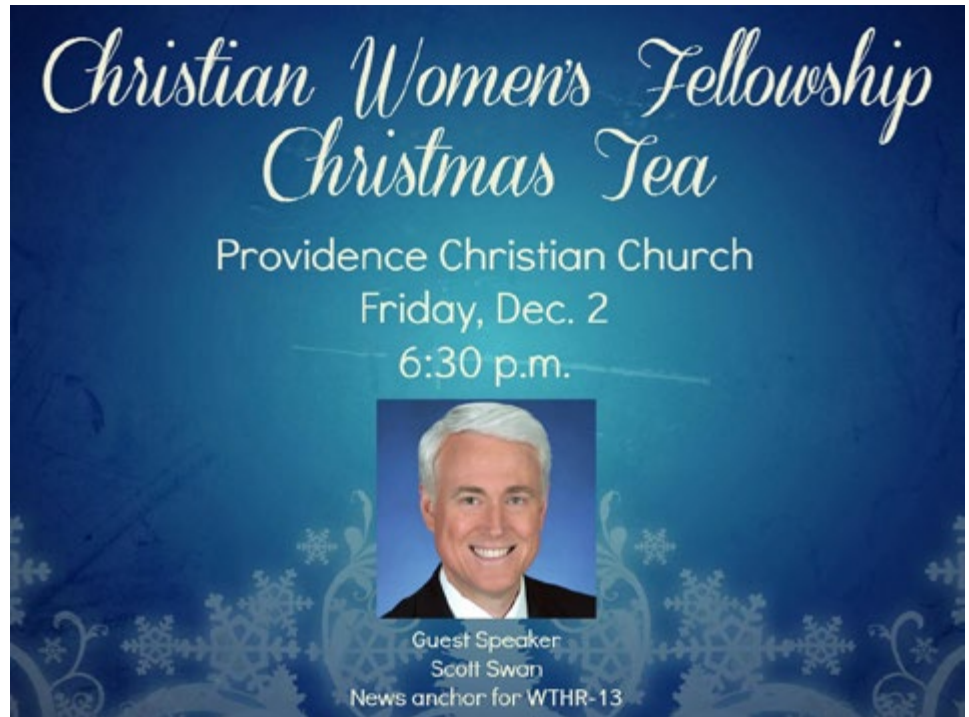
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Ring in the Advent season at the Christmas Tea

All ladies are invited to attend the Annual Christmas Tea! The tea will be held Friday, Dec. 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Scott Swan, news anchor for WTHR-13, will be the guest speaker.

Please tell Connie Clark by Wednesday, Nov. 23, if you plan to attend the Christmas Tea.

Also contact Connie if you would like to host a table. Hostesses are responsible for table decorations and guest favors. The meal will be provided by CWF.



A note from Eddie Yount

In June 2016, I was diagnosed with lung cancer. After 12 rounds of chemotherapy and 45 rounds of radiation, I am now in full remission. I would like to thank my old classmate and friend Julie Burton for putting me on the PCC prayer list. And all of your thoughts and

prayers are most greatly appreciated. Having been baptized at Providence Christian Church years ago, PCC has always held a special place in my heart.

It has been a long, hard road, but I have been blessed in so many ways.

My wife, Jayne, and I have a motto: "Trust the Master!" It has helped see us through many difficult days.

Thank you all!

Most sincerely,
Eddie L. Yount

2017 PCC board officers

In November, the church congregation voted to approve the 2017 slate of officers:

Board President – Sandy Hoagland

Board Vice President –

Board Secretary – Teresa Clark

Elders

Annette Barr

Vince Barr

Judy Eldridge

Barry Lutzke

Susan Lutzke

Cathy Sledge

Michaela Smith/Shelly Smith

Alice Sutton

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Hartlee Chadwell

Roxane Chadwell

Andy Findley

Jim Jones

Mary Plummer

Roger Plummer

Deb Reed

Mitchell Smith

Zach Vaught

Deaconesses

Julie Burton

LaVonne Sorensen

Shari Stark

Deb Wise

Trustees

Trevor Hunter (3 years)

Karen Morrison (2 years)

Eddy Smith (3 years)

John Zeilinga (1 year)

Board meeting highlights

In November, the Church Board met to review committee reports, the 2017 proposed budget, and the 2017 proposed slate of officers. The meeting highlights are posted on the red bulletin board upstairs and [on the website](#).

George Burton reported that the Trustees removed the gazebo and the arch, replaced the leaking water spigots on west side of the church and at the back door, fixed the leak in the toilet in the restroom in the

Fellowship Hall, and are in the process of updating the women's restroom upstairs.

In new business, Jim Wise made a written motion which was seconded by George Burton. The motion proposed that the Nominating Committee in consultation with the Vice Chair nominate one person to the office of Vice Chair Elect to be voted by the Church Board. The motion passed.

Later in November, the church congregation voted to approve the 2017 budget. Next year's budget is set for \$150,654. The 2016 budget was \$149,827.

A copy of the proposed budget is posted on the red bulletin board upstairs.

Missions - Serving His world

CSI Ministries

Thank you for your faithful support of CSI through the years. God has been faithful to our ministry through good and bad times. Regardless of what may come, we can rest assured that He is faithful to all generations.

As I look to the future of CSI, the potential is amazing. I ask that you hold us up in prayer as we seek to strengthen and expand our work in Jamaica, reopen works in nations where we have ministered in the past, and seek new areas of ministry where God would have us serve. Ask the Lord to guide and direct our steps to all that He would have us do.

In Christ,
Len Scott
Executive Director

St. Thomas Clinic

Can you believe we are nearing the end of another year? This is the 20th anniversary of St. Thomas Clinic!

We are thankful for the support of the many individuals, organizations, and Johnson County churches that support our work via monetary donations, donated supplies and/or volunteer time. Here



are some ways you can continue to help:

- Support us financially – Donations are tax deductible! Donations are especially appreciated as the year comes to an end.
- Support us with your time – Professionals and volunteers can work around their already busy schedules to come in a few times a month or to form a

group of people who might join together to volunteer three or four times a year.

- Support us with awareness – Share information about the clinic with your church, employer, co-workers, and neighbors.
- Support us with your resources – We accept non-expired, non-narcotic medications for distribution to our patients.

Above all, I ask for your prayers as we continue to serve our neighbors in need in Johnson County.

In His service,
Terresa Branham, D.Div., H.H.P.
Interim Administrative Director

Operation Christmas Child and Blessing Bags

Recently PCC assembled 52 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child presented by Samaritan's Purse and 147 Blessing Bags for Food4Souls.

Thank you to everyone who donated items, provided financial support, and gave of their time.

Providence Christian Church Mission Partners

Silvia Balcazar – Ecuador
Samuel Chung – China
Mike Ginter – CSI
Krista Goff – Greece
Marggy Hensley – CSI
Sovann Keo – Cambodia
Ricardo Marquez – Ecuador

Duyen Nguyen – Vietnam
Elva Novillo Quito – Ecuador
Elizabeth Nyakudanga – Zimbabwe
Maria Esther Pingo Periche – Peru
Leonor Solis – Ecuador
Yon Chesly Suarez Chavez – Peru
Dr. Mary Ruth Wise – Peru
Florentino Zarate – Peru

Christ Youth Bible Clubs
Food 4 Souls
Interchurch Food Pantry
of Johnson County
KIC-IT
Multiplication Network
Ministries
St. Thomas Free Clinic

Thanking our veterans on Veterans Sunday

On Veterans Sunday, Providence Christian Church honored our past and present veterans with a special Worship Service, memorabilia displays in the Fellowship Hall, and a pitch-in dinner. Roger Plummer, a member of the Membership Committee, organized the memorabilia event and helped set up the displays on Saturday, Nov. 5. He also spent that night in the church, watching over the very valuable display items.



The Worship Service on Sunday, Nov. 6, included a PowerPoint presentation of photos from our veterans while Julie Burton played the piano. The choir anthem was A Tribute to Our Armed Services, which included the anthems of all five military branches. While the choir sang, four of our young men displayed the service flags of the five branches. We thank the Brown County Veterans for loaning the military banners displayed in the Sanctuary and the small American flags handed out to our veterans.



Dr. Steven Sorensen preached the message “God and Nation: Men at Prayer.”

Following the Worship Service, the congregation enjoyed viewing the displays and posters that celebrated the military service of 87 veterans who are church members or related



to church members. These men and women served in wars from the

Revolutionary War to the current War on Terror. Pastor Steve and others made the posters featuring photos and military history. The Fellowship Hall looked quite a lot like a museum. The memorabilia on display included items from the Civil War, the Indian Wars, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the War on Terror. Guests saw Nazi memorabilia; an “invasion cricket;” military hats and helmets; canteens;



a Kentucky rifle; Civil War pistols, muskets, and rifles; military pistols used in the 20th century; ammunition boxes; ponchos; sleeping gear; medals; buttons; and much more. World War II veteran Bob Vollmer’s Jeep from that war was on display along with a Jeep owned by Roger Plummer.

Thank you to all who helped make this a very special day in the lives and memory of our veterans. Thank you also to everyone who shared in the pitch-in meal.

News from the congregation

Sympathy

PCC extends our sympathy to Shari Stark upon the death of her uncle Dick Maxim.

Kim Briskey's Open House

Please be my guest at my 20th annual Mary Kay Holiday Open House as we kick off the Christmas season. Get a start on your shopping, both for yourself and others. Fun, food, and fellowship!

Thursday, Dec. 1

10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

3 to 7:30 p.m.

4308 Whitetail Woods Dr.,

Bargersville

(317) 422-5735

United Way Christmas Angels Program

PCC will participate in the United Way Christmas Angels Program again this year. We would like to sponsor three families, but we can't do it without you! If you would like to donate money, please see Jamie Zeilinga.



Carrie Clayburn Memorial Dinner

The 19th annual Carrie Clayburn Memorial Dinner will be held Saturday, Jan. 7, at 5 p.m. in the Indian Creek High School cafeteria. Pork chops will be provided by the Indian Creek FFA, and a smorgasbord dinner will be provided by area churches. A freewill offering will go to a scholarship in Carrie's name. Carrie was the niece of Sam and Sandy Hoagland.

Memorial Contributions

In addition to the donors listed previously, Bruce and Brook Findley also contributed to the Linda Coller Memorial Fund.

Prayer concerns

- Maggie (Michaela Smith's teammate) – Car accident
- Kevin Albright – Burns
- Laura Beck – Leukemia
- Maria Boyd – Ear surgery
- Pauline Clem – Neurological
- David Deer – Recuperation
- Pam Deer – Seizures
- Ed Denman – Cancer
- Brad Dillion – Cancer
- Christopher Eldridge – Heart
- Norman Findley – Homeview
- Gary Francis (Barr) – Heart
- Bill Hatchett – Cancer
- Bob Hoagland – Cancer, stroke
- Donald Julian – Stroke rehab
- Doris Leslie – Recuperation
- Barry Lutzke – Hearing loss
- Frank Marshall – Heart
- Elizabeth McDonald – Seizures
- Sandra McNicholas – Infection
- Michael Parkhurst – Remission
- Andrea Parsley – Health concerns
- Julie Pottorff – Seizures
- Cindy Quevdo – Dialysis, kidney infection
- Nicole Richards – Cancer
- Betty Sedam – Recuperation
- Susan Sloop – Cancer remission
- Chad Smith – Dirt bike accident
- Josh Speidel – Brain injury
- Pam Spicer – Cancer
- Tim Stearns – Vision
- Garvin Stewart – Home
- Judy Stewart – Esophageal surgery
- Kelli Street – Multiple sclerosis
- Emma Stumpf – Brain tumor
- Mike Ward – Broken femur
- Don White – Cancer
- Hunter White – Recovery from surgery
- Max Wise – Juvenile diabetes

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Happy birthday!

December 2

Mariam Jones
Susan Lutzke

December 4

Kegan Jochim

December 5

Ken Potter
Alice Sutton
Emma Taylor

December 7

Mark Hunter

December 10

Betty Combs Sedam
Monica Short

December 12

Hannah Fox

December 14

Travis Bishop
Alysha Hartwell

December 16

Brook Findley

December 18

Seth Brown
Hartlee Chadwell
Shelly Smith
Steve Wentzell

December 19

Gracie Bradley

December 20

Ryan Byrd
Tegan Oren

December 24

Clint Taylor

December 25

Jennifer Ort
Pat Lawton

December 26

Jeff Abercrombie
Barb Mickler

January 1

Tristan Oren

January 2

Linda Chadwell

January 3

Mallory Abercrombie

January 5

Sarah Berman
Madison Stearns

January 7

Kayla Morris

January 8

Noah Lane Gallagher
Mike Massey

January 9

Dana Christianson

January 12

Maria Boyd
Mike Naylor
Cody Stubbeman

January 13

Dr. Doug Bullington

January 14

Angela Stark

January 16

Abbye Eastham
Charlene Legan

January 18

Andrew Neutzmann
Blake Shaul

January 20

Andy Findley

January 21

Deanna Burton

January 23

Ashlee Eastham

January 24

Kenny Eldridge
Seth Bay

January 26

Crystal Glendy

January 27

Rosemary Deer Torrance

January 28

Michael J. Parkhurst

January 31

Mike Briskey



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Providence Christian Church calendar

Sunday, Nov. 27

Hanging of the Greens
4:30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 2

Christmas Tea
6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, Dec. 17

Potatoes Distribution
8 a.m. to noon at Grace United
Methodist Church in Franklin
Call (317) 736-7962 for more
information.

Sunday, Dec. 18

*Christmas Worship Service featuring a
cantata by the PCC Choir*
10 a.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18

Children's Christmas Party
3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, Dec. 24

Christmas Eve Service
11 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 25

Christmas Day Service
10 a.m.
Sunday School classes will not meet.

Sunday, Dec. 25

Community Christmas Day Dinner
1:30 to 4 p.m. (carry out)
5 to 6:30 p.m. (dine in)
Grace United Methodist Church in
Franklin
Call (317) 736-7962 for more
information.

Saturday, Jan. 7

Carrie Clayburn Memorial Dinner
5 p.m. in the Indian Creek High
School cafeteria

Monday, Jan. 9

Christian Women's Fellowship
7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Keep track
of upcoming events
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church calendar at
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