

January 2018

Providence Ponderings

Christmas at Providence

Advent season leads us to the celebration of Christmas. The lighting of the Advent candles on the Christmas wreath is part of our church tradition at PCC. The candle lightings were performed by these families:

- **First lighting** – Mike, Kim, and Bracken Briskey
- **Second lighting** – Joan Thompson; Kevin and Jeri Thompson; Michael, Callie, and Oliver Spillmann
- **Third lighting** – Mike and Connie Clark; Chris, Teresa, Avery, and Damon Clark
- **Fourth lighting** – Kye, Cara, Kyra, and Beau Baker



- **Christmas Eve lighting** – John, Jamie, Melanie, and Holly Zeilinga

During the Christmas season, PCC was involved in the United Way Christmas Angels program.

Through the leadership of Jamie Zeilinga, we provided Christmas blessings to eight local families and their children.

About 117 people heard the PCC Choir present its annual Christmas cantata. This year's program, Repeating the Sounding Joy, was led by Choir Director Shelly Smith and was narrated by Pat Lawton.

Unfortunately due to weather, our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service was canceled.

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Memorial poinsettias

Memorial poinsettias were purchased by these families to honor their loved ones during the Advent season:

From	In Memory Of
The Family	Russell and Chrysteen Rund, Marilyn Henselmeier, Norma Rund Bay
Eddy and Judy Smith	Livy Smith, Howard Donahue, Gary Bright, Jerry Keen
Cathy Miller Sledge	Family and Friends
The Burtons	Loved Ones
Ina Lou Smith and Family	Livy Smith and Gary Bright
Louise Spicer and Family	Noble T. Spicer
Michaela and Mitchell Smith	Mamaw Bev
Mike, Kim, Ian, Bracken, and Keegan Briskey	E. Allen Briskey, Don and Jacky Kurtz
Alice Sutton and Family	Herschel Sutton; Emery, Wreatha, Gene, and Dan Thompson
Dale and Harriett Donahue	Abe, Regina, Butch, and Sue Ann Polaski; Pam Anderson
Martha Ann Findley	Norman Findley and Other Family Members
Katrina Vollmer	Damon and Joan Shuler, Stan Charles Shuler
The Zeilinga Family	Jona Wainscott, Mabel and John P. Zeilinga, Sara Zeilinga, Helen "Grammy" Drake, Catherine Creed
Lorene Sloop and Family	O.J. Sloop
Jimmy Jones	Jim and Louise Jones
Norma Deer and Family	Hiram Deer, Herman and Oletha Deer, Howard and Karintha Brown
Mike and Connie Clark	Fern and Leroy Pevler, Elsie and Dwight Clark
Frank Marshall and Shari Stark	Sally Marshall
Sam and Sandy Hoagland	The Short Family, The Hoagland Family
Bruce and Brook Findley	Bristol Findley Sparks, Family Members
Dave and Linda Sandlin	Angela Sandlin and Loved Ones

Christmas greetings

Hope this finds everyone at PCC doing well. Everyone here is fine. Dad is doing great. We thank all for the many cards, text messages, and pictures. Wishing you all the blessings of peace, love, and joy this Christmas and always.

Love,
Rich and Becky Ritter and
Bill Hatchett

May this Christmas be very special for you and yours! Thank you for the good memories from my serving as your interim minister twice and making friendships there.

I am continually impressed with the continuing good initiatives cited in your newsletter. Yes, it seems that

things are going well there at this special time, and we hope and pray that God will continue to bless and guide you in moving forward! May God bless you all richly now and continually in the year ahead!

With our love and best wishes,
Bruce and Fran Patton

Missions - Serving His world

2018 Ministry Partners

In 2018, Providence Christian Church will continue to work with these ministry partners:

- Dr. Mary Ruth Wise and Yanesha tribe (Peru)
- Marggy Hensley and Mike Ginter, CSI Ministries
- Krista Goff, OneHope Missions (Greece)
- Multiplication Network church planters
- KIC-IT
- Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County
- St. Thomas Free Clinic
- No Place to Call Home
- Johnson County Senior Services

Johnson County Senior Services

Although we have not reserved funds in our budget for Johnson County Senior Services, we do have an opportunity to support them through a freewill offering when we will host a Bean Supper and Concert by Reconciled on Saturday, Jan. 6. The dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m., and the concert will begin at 7 p.m.

Johnson County Senior Services (JCSS) sounds like a government agency funded through tax dollars. It is not. It is a Christian ministry established to maintain the independence and dignity of older adults in Johnson County.



The organization's office is located across the street from the Masonic Home in Franklin. JCSS serves seniors with services between Southport Road and Edinburgh.

This faith-based ministry helps seniors dealing with financial fraud and scams, food resources, transportation and mobility, home help, and so much more. Prayer helps keep this ministry funded and vibrant.

JCSS's free transportation service to seniors is the only one in the county where the drivers are permitted to assist the seniors in and out of their appointments or to carry their items for them. The drivers can take seniors to both medical and non-medical destinations. While transportation is free, donations are always welcomed.

JCSS also provides durable medical equipment and passes for wheelchairs, walkers, canes, shower seats, bedside commodes, and other donated items at no charge.

Volunteers are always needed for driving, food deliveries, office work, phones, inventory, fundraising, and cleaning.

All donations to JCSS are tax deductible. Kimberly Smith, a vibrant Christian, ministers to the needs of seniors as the executive director. The telephone number for Johnson County Senior Services is (317) 738-4544.

Please come out and support JCSS at the Bean Supper and Concert on Saturday, Jan. 6.

Providence Christian Church Mission Partners

Silvia Balcazar - Ecuador
Samuel Chung - China
Luis Jaime Duran Buendia - Peru
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
Leonor Solis - Ecuador
Yon Chesu 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

Prayer concerns

- Maggie (Michaela Smith's teammate) – Car accident
- Kevin Albright – Burns
- Alyssa Barr – Recuperation
- Annette Barr – Recuperation
- Vince Barr – Heart
- Laura Beck – Leukemia
- Linda Chadwell – Recuperation
- Pauline Clem – Neurological
- David Deer – Recuperation
- Pam Deer – Seizures
- Ed Denman – Cancer
- Brad Dillion – Cancer
- Christopher Eldridge – Heart
- Dennis Eldridge – Cancer
- Connie Facemire – Liver cancer
- Mark Findley – Cancer
- Gary Francis – Heart
- Mae Goodwin – Heart and respiratory
- Bill Hatchett – Cancer
- Patti Heldman – Liver
- Phyllis Hellmich – Heart
- Stacy Henderickson – Health concerns
- Bob Hoagland – Cancer, stroke
- Delores Julian – Indiana Masonic Home
- Donald Julian – Stroke rehab
- Helen Klem – Kidney cancer
- Gary Lawton – Heart
- Doris Leslie – Recuperation
- Barry Lutzke – Hearing loss
- Frank Marshall – Heart
- Elizabeth McDonald – Seizures
- Sandra McNicholas – Infection
- David Morrison – Health concerns
- Bryan Page – Melanoma
- Michael Parkhurst – Remission
- Michael Parkhurst – Health issues
- Andrea Parsley – Health concerns
- Julie Pottorff – Seizures
- Cindy Quevdo – Dialysis, kidney infection
- Nicole Richards – Cancer
- Becky Ritter – Cancer
- Eric Sample – Doctor care
- Jane Sample – Recuperation
- Susan Sloop – Cancer remission
- Josh Speidel – Brain injury
- Pam Spicer – Cancer
- Jaxon Stark – Health issues
- Tim Stearns – Vision
- Garvin Stewart – Home
- Judy Stewart – Esophageal surgery
- Kelli Street – Multiple sclerosis
- Emma Stumpf – Brain tumor
- Melanie Sublett – Cancer
- Maddox Vincent – Surgery
- Helen Wheatley – Hospital
- Kasie White – Possible tumor
- Max Wise – Juvenile diabetes

News from the congregation

Sympathy

PCC extends our sympathy to Student Pastor Hunter Chadwell upon the death of Dr. Gary Bailey, Hunter's Greek language professor. He passed away on Sunday, Nov. 26.

PCC extends our sympathy to the friends and family of Kyle Warren who passed away on Friday, Dec. 8, at the age of 21 from health issues.

Special gift

Evelyn Kocher was remembered this holiday season with a special gift to the church.

Thank you notes

I want to thank you all for the cards, visits, food, and prayers during my recent surgery and illness. A special thank you to Pastor Steve for being with Eric during my surgery. Being a part of the fellowship of PCC is a blessing to us.

Jane Sample

KIC-IT Celebration and Appreciation Dinner

In December, KIC-IT hosted an appreciation dinner for its donors and volunteers. Music was presented by Chordlighters. Pastor Steve and Barry and Susan Lutzke represented PCC at this event.



Happy birthday!

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 11

Tia Grant

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

Wyatt Biggerstaff

Andy Findley

January 21

Deanna Burton

January 23

Ashlee Eastham

January 24

Kenny Eldridge

January 25

Jim Biggerstaff

January 26

Crystal Glendy

January 28

Michael J. Parkhurst

January 29

Tom Harris

January 31

Mike Briskey

February 4

Alison Mathena

Tim Rinehold

February 5

Teena Findley

February 6

Jack Hubbard

February 7

Judy Eldridge

Evan Fruits

Stephanie Hunter

February 10

Keegan Briskey

Bruce Findley

Linda Torrance

February 11

Andrew Barr

February 12

Julie Eastham

February 13

Izabella Ryon

February 15

Jamie Zeilinga

February 16

Deann Tomlinson

February 17

Mildred Herron

February 18

Zachary Bradley

February 19

A.J. Barr

Denise Callahan

Mark Smith

February 21

Charlie Byrns

Avery Clark

Adam Shaul

February 23

Daniel Corthell

February 24

Allison Harris

Blake Legan

Jonathan Ward

February 25

Alyssa Barr

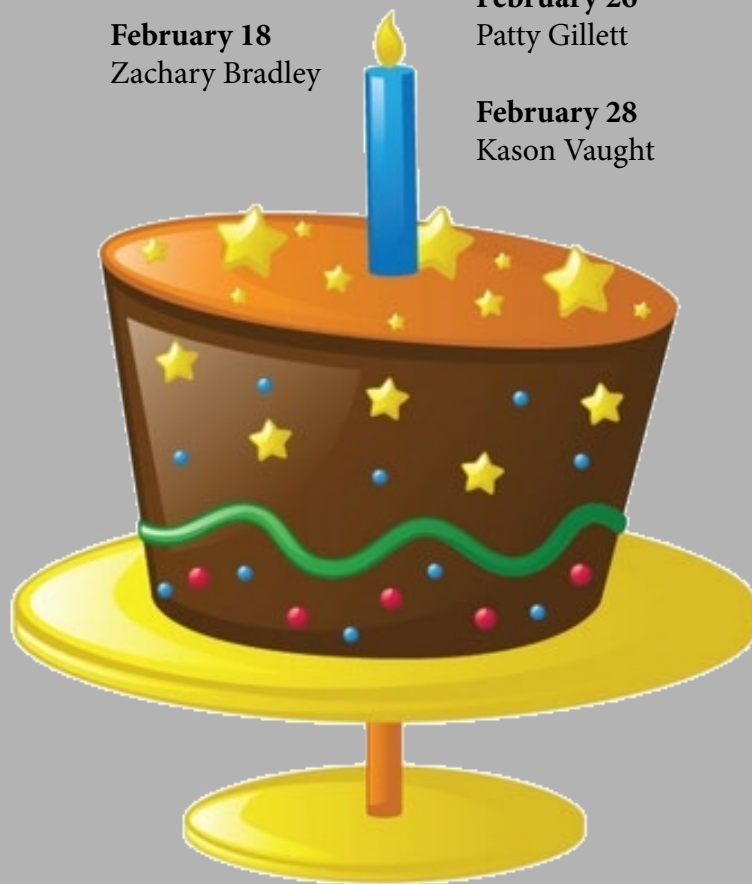
Shelby Sorensen

February 26

Patty Gillett

February 28

Kason Vaught



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Providence Christian Church calendar

Saturday, Jan. 6

Bean Supper and

Concert by Reconciled

5:30 p.m. – Meal service begins

7 p.m. – Concert begins

Monday, Jan. 8

Christian Women's Fellowship

6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Jan. 14

Church Board Meeting

6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Jan. 17

Double Nickel

6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Feb. 11

Children's Valentine's Day Party

3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, Feb. 12

Christian Women's Fellowship

6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Double Nickel

6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Keep track
of upcoming events
with our online
church calendar at
[www.pccbargersville.org/
calendar](http://www.pccbargersville.org/calendar)

Join us on Sundays!

**9 a.m. – Sunday School
10 a.m. – Worship**