Providence Ponderings

January 2020

Advent 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 2019 Advent candle lightings:

- **First lighting** – The Vaught Family
- **Second lighting** – The Lutzke Family
- **Third lighting** – Rinehold & Baker Kids
- **Fourth lighting** – Cathy Sledge

Through the leadership of Jamie Zeilinga, we are providing Christmas Blessings to local families and their 11 children.

On Sunday, Dec. 22, the PCC Choir presents it's annual Christmas Cantata. This year's program, "Hallelujah Jesus is Born!" is created by Dave Clark and Nick Robertson and orchestrated by Nick Robertson. The cantata includes the songs, *Hallelujah, Dawn of Everlasting Light, Noel, My Wonderful Lord*, and *Is He Worthy?* The cantata is led by Choir Director, Shelly Smith and narrated by Mike Clark.

Christmas Eve Candelight Service will begin with Shelly Smith and family and Kaylee Satter. The 11 p.m. service will include singing, special music, and messages. At the arrival of midnight, the congregation will again sing, *Silent Night.*

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Community Movie Nights

Evangelism Committee is sponsoring Community Movie Nights! Family, friends, neighbors are all invited to the Christian based, family friendly movies. All movies are rated PG.

Sunday, January 26, 5:30 p.m. OVERCOMER

Sunday, February 23, 5:30 p.m. WONDER

Sunday, March 29, 6:00 p.m. I CAN ONLY IMAGINE

Popcorn and bottled water will be provided. Please bring any other drinks in covered containers as we will be viewing the movies in the sanctuary.

Christmas Poem

This World's Greatest Event

Wise men bearing gifts from afar
Guided by God's holy star

Only persons privilege to know
Of the event prophesied long ago

The greatest gift from the creator above
A Son born of pure love

Happy tears in Mother Mary's eyes
As she heard Baby Jesus' first cries

The world outside posed much danger
To this baby in the manger

God's Son and sacrificial Lamb
Is born this day in Bethlehem

Salvation to the world he will bring
He is the world's only true King.

Roger Plummer
2019

Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, Dec 22
3 p.m.

News from the congregation

Thank You

Dear Providence Christian Church,
Thank you for your generosity, financial support, and to each individual who packed shoe boxes, or assisted in any way for the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. May kindness return to you in the same beautiful way it was given. PCC is a blessing to many.

In Christ's Love,
Susan Lutzke and the Outreach Committee

Congratulations

Congratulations to LaVonne Sorensen who received a scholarship from Hebrew University of Jerusalem to continue live online studies in Hebrew studies.

Congratulations to David and Pam Deer who received their 25 year pins from Eastern Star on December 7th.

Merry Christmas!

Dear Friends of Providence Christian Church,
Thank you for the memories! We hope things are going well for you as a congregation and personally, too! Have a truly blessed Christmas and a very Happy and satisfying New Year!
With our Love and Best Wishes,
Bruce and Fran Patton

May the blessings of this Holy Season be yours now and in the New Year. May you all have a wonderful time with family & friends.
Love to all,
Bill, Becky & Rich

Warmest wishes for a wonderful Christmas. From your friends at Horizon Bank in Bargersville.

This Christmas and always, we pray that the JOY of JESUS be with you. Thank you for all you do to support the mission of Christ Youth Bible Club!

Merry Christmas!
Your CYBC Board of Directors

Sympathy

PCC extends our sympathy to the family of Donald Julian upon his passing.

Memorial Contributions

In addition to the donors listed previously, these individuals also contributed to the Martha Ann Findley Memorial Fund:

Steve & Kay Baker
Alfred & Cheryl Calhoun
Jess & Andrea Findley
Mark Findley
Teena Findley
Payton & Karen Fulmer
John & Ruth Gallagher
Larry Henselmeier
Lord's Cupboard
David & Karen Morrison
Richard Park and Family
Providence Educators Club
Richard & Becky Ritter
Eric & Jane Sample
Cathy Sledge
Eddy & Judy Smith
Mrs. M. Louise Spicer
Alice Sutton

Animal Blessing Service

The Blessing of the Animals took place on November 24 at 2:00. Eight dogs were blessed and each received a dated, signed certificate of their blessing with the name of the pet and a printed "prayer for pets". This was also a fundraiser for the Humane Society of Johnson County. Three large tubs of wish list items were delivered to the Humane Society on Monday, November 25. Additional volunteers and wish list items posted on their web page are always needed. http://hsjc.org

2020 Double Nickel

We are a gathering of "empty nesters," those almost age 55 and older. All are welcome to join together for devotions, food, and fellowship! We meet every third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

January 15	hosted by Mike & Connie Clark
February 19	Dinner at Bob Evans--- pay for your own meal
March 18	hosted by Linda & David Sandlin
April 15	hosted by Julie & George Burton
May 20	hosted by Judy & Ken Eldridge
June 17	TBA
July	no meeting
August 19	TBA
September 16	Susan and Barry Lutzke
October 21	Weiner Roast & Hayride at Judy & Eddy Smiths' home
November 18	Jamie and John Zeilinga

Prayer concerns

- Logan – Liver transplant
- Laura Beck – Leukemia
- Luke Bolin – Cancer
- Evelyn Brown – Health
- Jennifer Burt – Recovery
- Terry Chadwell -- Recovery
- Pauline Clem – Neurological
- Keith Cochran – Infusions
- Chris Coll – Throat cancer
- David Deer – Recuperation
- Pam Deer – Seizures
- Ed Denman – Cancer
- Brad Dillion – Cancer
- Linda Doutt – Heart
- Christopher Eldridge – Heart
- Dennis Eldridge – Cancer
- Edna Eldridge -- Sciatica
- Rachel Eldridge – Liver
- Connie Facemire – Liver cancer
- Mark Findley – Cancer
- Mae Goodwin – Heart and respiratory
- Bill Hatchett – Cancer
- Patti Heldman – Liver
- Bob Hoagland – Cancer, stroke
- Ron Hougland – Test results
- Melissa Johnson -- Health
- Karissa Jones -- Recuperation
- Rhonda Kindle – Veteran
- Pastor David Lin – Imprisoned in China
- Frank Marshall – Heart
- Elizabeth McDonald – Seizures
- Sandra McNicholas – Infection
- Baby Logan Miller – Healing
- Mabel Morgan – Recuperation
- David Morrison – Health concerns
- Shannon New – Respiratory issues
- Bryan Page – Melanoma
- Michael Parkhurst – Remission
- Michael Parkhurst – Health concern
- Andrea Parsley – Health concerns
- Brandon Parton -- Heart
- Steve and Jeannine Potter – Health
- Julie Pottorff – Seizures
- Brad Reed -- Complete Healing
- Nicole Richards – Cancer
- Becky Ritter – Cancer
- Jimmy and Mickey Rodriguez
- Carmen Sharp – Cancer
- Bobbi Short -- Cancer
- Renata Sledge -- Kidney Surgery
- Susan Sloop – Cancer remission
- Mike Smitson – Stroke
- Steve Sorensen -- Back pain
- Angela Stark – Pain relief
- Jaxon Stark – Health issues
- Tim Stearns – Vision
- Charles Robert Stewart – Recuperation
- Kelli Street – Multiple sclerosis
- Emma Stumpf – Brain tumor
- Alice Sutton -- Recuperating
- Joan Thompson -- Recuperating
- Deann Tomlinson – Cancer remission
- Katrina Vollmer – Demaree Crossing
- Sue Weaver – Heart
- Max Wise – Juvenile diabetes

Website

- Unitedcry.org has prayer alerts for our nation. Check it out.

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 27
Mark Findley

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 28
Kason Vaught

Happy Birthday

ELEVATOR LIFT FUND

Recently upon authorization of the Providence Christian Church Board, an *Elevator Lift Fund* was established with seed money from the Evelyn Kocher Memorial Fund with the goal of receiving a minimum of $30,000 if we install an elevator lift on the interior of the building or $35,000 if we prefer to install a lift inside which would have an exit to the lower level, upper level, and also an exit door to the parking lot.

Now thanks to additional gifts and a Johnson County Community Foundation Grant from the Kocher Fund, we are halfway to our goal. We now have in cash reserves gifts totaling $15,000.00. Most of these generous gifts have been made in memory of loved ones. PCC will be publishing in future newsletters these memorial gifts and will also provide a plaque of remembrance with the names of the loved ones when the elevator lift is installed.

Now is a good time to make a memorial gift or just a charitable gift to the Elevator Lift Fund as the tax year is winding down. All gifts are appreciated. Thank you.

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ELEVATOR LIFT FUND DONATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Gift amount: _____

If this gift to the Fund is in memory of loved ones, please list the name(s):

_____

Please place your gift in an envelope and place in the offering or mail to Providence Christian Chuch, 4080 West Rd. 100 North, Bargersville, IN 46106.

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Providence Christian Church calendar

Sunday, December 22
Children's Christmas Party
3 p.m.

Sunday, December 22
Christmas Worship Service
10 a.m.

Tuesday, December 24
Christmas Eve Service
11 p.m.

Sunday, January 12
Board Meeting
6 p.m.

Monday, January 13
Christian Women's Fellowship
6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 15
Double Nickel
6:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 26
Community Movie Night
5:30 p.m.

Monday, February 10
Christian Women's Fellowship
6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19
Double Nickel
6:30 p.m.

Keep track of upcoming events with our online church calendar at www.pccbargersville.org/calendar

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