

PLAN FOR THE WEEK

Times are p.m. unless otherwise noted

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast (F.H.)
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages including 3 Adult Bible Fellowships
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 5:00 Refuge - Progressive Dinner
 (SEE NOTE)

Monday

- 7:00 Merge (18-25 yr olds) (GYM) (SEE NOTE)
 7:00 Salt n' Light (20 something young adults) (GYM) (SEE NOTE)
 7:00 Dave and Christmas Eve Team (W.C.)

Tuesday

- 12:00 Parish Nurse
 6:30 Prayer Meeting
 6:30 Christmas Eve Team Rehearsal (W.C.)

Wednesday

- 6:30 Men's Team

Thursday

- 5:00 Christmas Eve Children's Service
 6:30 Christmas Eve Heritage Service
 8:30 Christmas Eve Contemporary Service

Friday

- MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Saturday

- 5:00 Saturday Community Contemporary Worship

PRAYER CONCERNS

A detailed prayer list is available at the information centers in the lobby.

Retired Missionary Focus

Dick and Char Griffiths - (40 years in Indonesia with TEAM)



Prayer requests:

- For truth from the Hatam Bible to change the hearts of the people from despair to hope in a risen Savior, and then tell the world who is LORD.
- That Dick and Char would have time to rest from their labor of 40 years, and rejoice in what God has done.

Don and Wanda Halladay - (37 years in Brazil with CEF)

Prayer requests:

- Healing for Wanda's eye and Don's spinal stenosis.
- Pray for the children now entering adulthood that they touched through Child Evangelism.

Our Family

John Suhajda - recovering from appendectomy
 Aaron Zorn - recovering from abdominal surgery
 Shawn Aspinall - recovering from open heart surgery
 Barb Carter - recovering from hip surgery
 Carol Dunn - undergoing chemo and radiation

Bereavement

Steve and Dori Person - his father, Richard Person, passed away December 15th in Sioux Falls, SD.

Emergency Prayer Chain

Please call one of the following if you have an emergency request:

Bea Nieubuurt	262-740-2434
Barb Hinzpeter	262-275-3803
Valerie Troast	262-745-6605

COMING EVENTS

12/31	NEW YEAR'S EVE (5:00 P.M. POTLUCK, 6:30 P.M. SERVICE)	1/15	PRIMETIME LIVE (12:00 - 2:00 P.M.)
1/4 & 1/7	FOREVER FIT RESUMES	1/16	CONNECTED ONES PROGRESSIVE DINNER
1/6	SUMMIT RESUMES	1/31	CORNERSTONE ABF WHITE OUT (3:00 P.M.)
1/8-10	JR HI AT DISTRICTS	2/6	SUPERBOWL BREAKFAST AND DAVID TROPHY
1/8-10	SR. HI BLIZZARD		
1/9	MEN'S BREAKFAST		

God's work done God's way in God's time brings God's resources

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009 Income Budget</u>
Year-to-date General Fund Income	\$1,207,114.41	\$1,128,610.03	\$1,271,865.17
Year-to-date General Fund Expenses	\$1,231,875.55		
Year-to-date Missions Income	\$ 254,481.32	\$ 271,745.65	\$ 269,712.00
Benevolent Offering	\$ 72,493.11	\$ 36,031.81	

"THE TRANSFORMATION"

*"Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to men
on whom His favor rests." (Luke 2:14)*

CHRIST **M** as

The Christmas Bridge...God's answer and offer for anyone to live life as it could/should be, is designed to be, was and will be!

- First step onto God's bridge: what is truth...about me, about God, about life, about eternity?
- Second step on the bridge: who is Jesus Christ, why did He come to earth?
- Third step on God's bridge: what can Jesus do for me that I can't do for myself?
- Fourth step on God's bridge: what will my response to God cost me and achieve?
- Fifth step on God's bridge: what do I have to lose? How far will I go on this bridge? Where will it lead me?

The Christmas Bridge...a life changing journey

- Jesus, His truth and our relationship re-defines me and my worldview.
- *"Glory to God in the highest"* re-defines my priorities in life
- *"on earth peace to men"* re-defines my role in life
- *"on whom His favor rests"* re-defines my fulfillment in life

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom His favor rests."

Joseph: release pride, plans, public reputation...protect, serve, love, honor Mary!

Mary: release normal, fear, shame, dreams...mother, mentor Jesus and others.

Zechariah/Elizabeth: release barren, quiet retirement...raise, teach, prepare John, the Forerunner of Messiah!

Jesus: release splendor of heaven, glorious reign, Sovereign majesty... human baby, rejection, ridicule, death to purchase humanity.