

December 30, 2012

Wel-Spring

B L O O M F I E L D F I R S T C H R I S T I A N C H U R C H

SERVING
THIS COMING
SUNDAY

Sermon:

Elders: John Mensch
and Kenny Holtsclaw

Diaconate: Cinda
Williams, Gary Ellis,
Matt Rollins, Sandy
Armour, Sue Sowders

(still need 1)

Outside communion:

Gary Ellis

Greeters: Dewayne and
Sharon Allen

Communion Prep.:

Leon and Pam Allen

Musician:

Lori Burch

Children's Sermon

ABC Church

**Congregational
meeting following
worship service**

FROM THE ELDER'S DESK

This Sunday's message was an enjoyable trip down memory lane. Gary brought us back to simpler times to demonstrate how we used to include Jesus in Christmas without effort. In today's world we (the Church) must make the effort to keep the Christ in Christmas.

It is always easier to follow the crowd than to take a stand, we all know that from personal experience. I could relate to Gary's admission that he didn't want to be the patriarch of his family and have to make decisions, organize Christmas and such tasks. But here we all are, 2000 years from the birth of Christ and we are the ones that have to make decisions, organize Christmas and all those other things that the previous generations had to do before us. I would say we have it easier than Christians did during the Roman empire, but maybe tougher than the Christians of the 1950's in the US.

No matter how you view it, we are the ones responsible for how the world sees Christianity, Christ, our Holy holidays like Christmas, and Easter and for how God's message gets out to the nonbelievers and lost of the community. It was good to hear that message in the sermon.

Next Sunday is the first Sunday of the year and that means we will have our first of two annual meetings. This meeting is to approve the budget and we will hear from the Stewardship committee on the state of our finances and the outlook for next year. We will also be voting on the change to the church constitution that would separate us

from the Disciples of Christ denomination. The Elders have spoken with many of the congregational members one on one and in small groups. Most people that we have spoken with agree that the denomination has taken a wrong turn in several areas. The main concerns that we heard expressed were about what our service would become if we were not a Disciples of Christ congregation. That's an easy one to answer, our services will be just like they have been for years. We will continue to take communion weekly and not restrict it to only members of our congregation. We will continue to support and encourage women to be leaders and deaconesses in the church. We will continue to support mission work both within our community and in the farthest reaches of the world. We will sing songs and read scripture and still have what I think is the best choir in the area.

In other words we won't change if we separate from the denomination and by separating we will ensure that no earthly authority will try to tell us that the Bible is wrong, that Jesus is not the only way to Heaven and that recycling is more important than the sanctity of life. Life at the 1st Christian Church in Bloomfield will return to peaceful and active worship, allowing us to do what our founding members designed the church to do.

God Bless you all, I look forward to seeing you in service on Sunday.

Jason

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

Our turn for SOS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

Congregational meeting following worship service to vote on proposed 2013 Budget and whether to disassociate from Disciples of Christ or not.

You **MUST BE** a member of the church and **MUST BE** present to fill out and turn in a ballot.

6:00 p.m. MBS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

7:00 p.m. Board Meeting

W E L - S P R I N G

★ HI-LITES this week go out to :

Those helping with SOS on Saturday:

Soup: Kathy England (chili), Mitzi Vaught (bean soup), Wanda Hampton and Janet Basye (broccoli and cheese)

Sandwiches: Sue Sowders (chicken salad), Pam Allen (ham and cheese), Randall and Sue Brown (sloppy joes-bucket in freezer)

Desserts: Pat Ellis, Sharon Allen, Janet Basye and Sharon Vaught

Workers: Terry England, Sandy Armour, Lexi Place, Sharon Allen, Pat and Larry

**Vouchers for 2013
Are now in the office.**

There are a few for 2012 in the box too just in case someone still needs to turn in a bill for that year. Please be certain you are using the correct year voucher.

S T A T S

Worship:	95
Sunday school:	65
Morning worship offering	\$1546.50
Sunday school offering:	33.45
High School youth:	20.00
Total:	\$ 1599.95
Amount Budgeted Weekly:	\$ 2557.21



Need
Reports
For the
Yearbook

Also, please be certain the office has the correct information for your family—including address, phone number. You may e-mail the office, call in the morning or call and leave a message or leave a note on the desk.

Did you get a new cell for Christmas? Does the office have that number?

winterbash
Feb. 17th 5:30pm

**C O N G R E G A T I O N A L
N O T E S**

Blessings: Polly Lawyer's surgery-good results.
Rachael Wiseman's mother-in-law as here. Doris
Inman thanked Leon for clearing her walk. Don
Baxter announced they have their first great
grandchild born 12-19. Christian Zander
Snellenberger 9#9oz 22".

P R A Y E R C O N C E R N S

Shut-ins & on Going:

Rob Adams, Carson Alright, Mary Berg,
Denise Browning, Rynetta Cagle, Bill
Chamberlain, Nancy Cummings, Albert
DeGott, Junior Devore, Marj Douda,
Samantha Edwards, Wanda Farren,
MaryAnn Floyd, Christopher Fuller,
Ursula Fuller, Grace Gallion, Kylene
Graber, Karen Harp, Payton Hazeltine,
Norma Kirk, Wayne Lemons, Holly
McCammack, Debby Mattox, Gene
Miller, Dylan Savia, Nellie Sircy, Bonnie
Skinner, Delno and, Betty Steward, Pam
Todd, Ayden Wagler

Immediate Prayer Concerns:

Wilson Helms, John Lucas(Greg B),
Marlene Malone(Kathy E), (Kay Pierce
(Susan R), Linda Sargent (Barb M),
Charlie Stahl, Mike Lambert's stepdad,
Jean Martin's nieces Angie and Linda,
Deloris' nephew, Edna Philips' cousin,
Randall Brown's niece, Kenny M's mom
and dad, and military (including Tony
Albertson, Jim Barnhill, Dustin Bland, RJ
Brown, Jearld and Jennifer Edwards,
James Hastings, Desiree Magginnis, Rob
Miller, Joel Oliphant, Rex Padgett, Logan
Tompkins) and Shane Gilmore (work-
Afghanistan)

BLOOMINGTON HOSPITAL:

Bonnie Skinner (Teresa B's mom)
Bristol Todd (Kelli U's granddaughter)

Lyons: (P.O. Box 247, Lyons, IN
47443):

Gretchen Bray, Jim Sanders, Reba
Street, Jeanette Terrell

Glenburn: (618 W Glenburn Rd.,
Linton, IN 47441:

Clarence Creager, Donna Rose
Ellis, Elaine Hord, Lillian Martin,
Fred Martindale, Wilma Strauser,
Ralph Vanmeter

Sanders Glen: (334 S Cherry St.,
Westfield, IN 46074)

Nancy Dowden

Parkview: (800 S West St., Odon,
IN 47562)

Mag Beasley, Esther Harp, Mabel
Stone, Imogene Terrell

Ketcham: (601 E Race St., Odon,
IN 47562

Marj Flinn

McCormick's Creek: (210 State
Rd 43, Spencer, IN 47460)

Casey Johnson

Autumn Glen: (98 N 10th St.,
Greencastle, IN 46135)

Grace Hanson (Apt 212)

West River Health Campus (714
S Eickhoff Rd., Evansville, IN
47712)

Barb Miller (Room 617)

Greenwood:

Catherine Branstetter

Columbus:

Wilma Eaton

Mentioned During Sunday Service:

Pam Barnhill is sick. Pray for safe
travel for Megan. Loren Holtsclaw's
niece's son has kidney cancer. Bonnie
Skinner and Bristol Todd are in
Bloomington Hospital. Mid Duzan has
a broken foot.

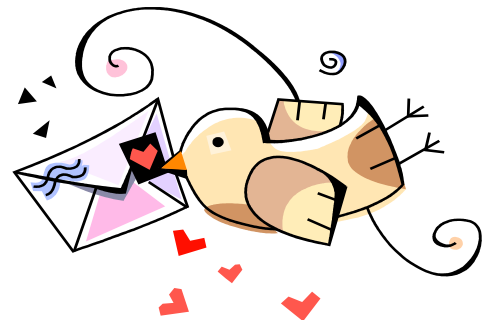
Via e-mail Wednesday: Susan Roark
said that hospice has been called in for
her grandmother and her mom is back
here from FL.

Send a card this week to

Ursula Fuller
1197 N. Warren Rd
Bloomfield, IN 47424

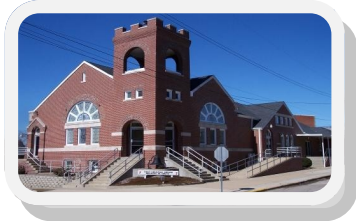
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INSPIRATION AND SCRIPTURE

Ten Things God Wants You To Remember

I am for you.

I love you.

I believe in you.

I will not fail you.

I will be with you.

I will provide for you.

I will bless you.

I will give you rest.

I will strengthen you.

I will answer you.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

Numbers 6:24

