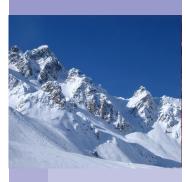
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From the Pastor

The New Year is a great time to look back over the past year. Since part of having wisdom is to learn from what went well and what did not, it is good to look back over the last year. There are many things that people look at. For instance, we will see lists of the top movies, worst movies, the Hollywood stars who have died and so on. We also remember those in our lives who have been called to their eternal glory and have been added to those around the throne of God.

Our minds work in a way that tells us that New Year's is that time when we can begin anew. We might decide there are things that we want to get done and projects we want to either finish or start. For me, finishing sorting through boxes in the garage is on my list for the third straight year. Somehow the idea of a new year just gives those projects the needed jolt in the mind that they need to be done

With the coming of the new year, we also wonder how things will change. Will the economy be strong and what will happen to jobs, careers, and incomes? How will our health be? We wonder what will happen around the world.

There is one thing that never changes or

needs a new year. God remains the same. In Lamentations 3:23 we read "Great is his faithfulness; his mercies begin afresh each morning." God is always faithful and keeps His promises. While we might keep our promises about the new year, God keeps His promises and fulfills all that He has said that He will do. His mercies are also new which means that God never tires of showing grace and mercy to people.

We just celebrated Christmas and saw how God kept a promise He made to Adam and Eve. He promised a Savior and He kept that promise when the time was right. When God fulfills His promises, it is always much better and greater than we expected. The people expected a Savior and they got that. However, God added to the way He kept that promise. He also remains with us every day. While New Year promises fade away as the year wears on, God remains faithful and His mercy is new every morning.

Pastor Daene



Happy New Year - 2018

Thank, you ~~ to all those that stayed on December 3 to decorate the church for the Christmas season.

Please help ~~ on January 7 to take down the decorations and pack them away. Thanks.

Installation of Council Members and Deacons January 7, 2017

All Council members and Deacons are requested to be present

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Special points of interest:

- Installation of Council and Deacons, January 7 during the worship service
- Take down the Christmas decorations and pack them away, January 7.
- Women Bible Study starts back up
- Sunday Evening Bible Study & Prayer Group starts
- LWGS meeting, January 8 at 11:00 a.m.
- Church Council meets, January 10 @ 7 pm

Voter's Meeting Highlights ~~

The annual Voter's Meeting was held on December 10, 2017 after the worship service.

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Peters. Pastor Daene gave a devotion and prayer. We had two members sign the Constitution and By-Laws.

The Chairpersons of the different areas gave a summary of 2017.

New Business:

An affirmation vote was given for the deacons: Kevin Weber, Chairman, Brad Coy, and Derek Runge.

The budget for 2018 was presented by President, Mike Peters. After discussion of some areas it was approved. The budget for 2018 is \$200,479.00.

Approved was a more explicit explanation of what Board of Fellowship duties are.

The election of Council members was held. The meeting was closed with a prayer.

OFFICERS FOR 2018

President—Chris Johnson
Vice President—Kent Krimmel
Secretary—

Treasurer—Angela Coy

Financial Secretary—Joyce Bauman

Board of Trustees—Mike Peters

Board of Deacons-Kevin Weber

Board of Stewardship-

Board of Christian Education—Heidi Baca Board of Missions— Sharon Peters & Susan Sego

Board of Fellowship-Special Events—
Gerda Martin & Amy Houck

Member at Large—Jeff Hawkins Member at Large—Randy Powers

We still need you to think seriously about the two positions open: Secretary of the Council and Stewardship Chairman (the office can provide copies of the duties for these positions. See Rose.

Council meets the second Wednesday of the month; next meeting is January 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. All outgoing officers that do reports must do their report for the month of December and be at the meeting to present it. All new Council members are to attend also.



LWGS

Hello Ladies,

We had our Advent by Candlelight on December 4 at 6:30 p.m. with 40 ladies in attendance. After fellowship and dessert Olivia Norris played an assortment of hymns and songs. She is a very accomplished harpist for a teenager. All in all a very enjoyable evening.

Plan on attending our next LWGS meeting on January 8 at 11:00 a.m. in the church's kitchen.

Thank you

Thanks to everyone that helped with all the services, suppers, decorating, and etc. this past month.

Treasurer's Report

Unreconciled December figures —

Year End as of 12/27/17

Actual Expenses

Income

\$ 186,392

\$ 170,928*

*does not include Sunday, December 31st Contributions

Anne Hartman, Treasurer

Care & Concern



Remembering in your Prayers: Jim Beasley, heart surgery; Rev. Gregory Cynova, healing & strength; Joseph Wurster, lung cancer; Sandra Weddle, breast

cancer; Mildred Melvin, healing & strength; Don Haddock, strength & healing; Zachary Long, strength, healing & comfort; Christopher Springer, the Lord would lift the veil of unbelief; Jim Alexander, cancer; Dianne Peterson, lung cancer; Ryan Maddox, chronic mi-

graines; Loren Hendricks, cancer; Charlie Jones, strength & comfort; Bill Cummings, strength & healing; Stephanie Stewart, aggressive cancer; Debbie Vaughn, strength & healing; Ted Perkinson, congestive heart failure; Evelyn Manning, strength & comfort; Lodema Decker Lines, cancer; Friend of the Powers family, strength & healing; Ben Hall, cancer; Quenton Byrne, blood disease; Katherine Noeth, health issues; and Debbie Houck, form of Lou Gehrig disease.



Prayer Request: We have a Prayer Request button on the church's website. You may choose your prayer request to go to the Pastor only, or to the Pastor and the Prayer Chain. Simply go to: www.gslcfranklin.org and hit the Prayer Request button.

***If you placed any of these people on our prayer list, please check as to their status and let the office know their update. We like to keep this information as current as possible. Thank you.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/3 Jaison Acton 1/4 Michaela Collins, Carol White 1/9 Chloe Williams 1/11 Tom Daseler 1/12 Daniel Bonham 1/14 Vic Rinehart 1/16 Dan Stahl 1/18 Pam Bentley 1/19 Don Haddock 1/20 Chad Curry 1/21 Bill Bloomquist 1/22 Holly Goforth, Tom Wycoff, **Bill Cummings** 1/27 Geoffrey Holmes 1/29 Troy Williams 1/31 Becky Johnson, Amy Houck



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

1/3 Jim & Barb Petro 1/19 Nate & Alyssa Hedrick 1/31 Randy & Elaine Powers

[Please contact the church office (317-736-7849) for any additions or corrections to the Birthdays & Anniversaries.]

Try using our Birthday & Anniversary calendar as a daily prayer calendar. By doing so, you will be praying for someone in our Good Shepherd church family almost every day. A church with members who regularly pray for one another will truly be blessed.

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Randy Powers, Member at Large

DEACONS

Kevin Weber, Chairman 317-910-3288 Brad Coy 317-346-0930 Derek Runge 309-258-060

PRAYER CHAIN

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

(James 5:13-16)

"Devote yourselves to prayer."
(Colossians 4:2)

Our church has a prayer chain that is available for all to use. If you, a family member or a friend have a prayer request, please contact Barb Miller at 317-412-5912 she will be happy to put your request on the prayer chain. If you would like to join the prayer chain, call Barb as she organizes the prayer chain.