Notes to myself . . .



December 9, 2018 9:00 am Classes 10:30 am Worship

Preparing for Worship

Opening & Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (#132)

Prayers of the Community

Invitation to Give

Angels We Have Heard on High (#137)

Making a Beautiful Christmas: Beauty and Glory (Heb. 1:1-4)

Songs of Worship

Prayer & Closing

On Wednesday 12/12, come help us Countdown to Joy! Enjoy an Eat 'n' Run meal at 5:15 p.m. and stay for Christmas stories, songs, puppets, bells and more starting at 6:30 p.m.

Faith Finders families: this is a family event. If parents/guardians are unable to stay, you may drop your kids off at the usual spot at 6:15 p.m. and reconnect with them at 8:00 p.m. upstairs in the fellowship hall. For safety and security, please e-mail Emily (children@dillsburgbic.org) and let her know if you will be leaving your children.

The Eat 'n' Run menu will include baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green bean casserole, bread/rolls, and dessert. Gluten-free options will be available.

Christmas Choir reminders: Remaining rehearsals will be held in the sanctuary from 4:00-5:30 p.m. today and December 16th, along with a dress rehearsal on Thursday, December 20th at 7:00 p.m. Contact Randy Fish with questions.

Please be careful to **check the name on your mailbox** this week. Adding new familied has caused some of the mailboxes to be moved slightly.

2019 Offering envelopes will be distributed in the next few weeks. If you don't currently have offering envelopes but would like to use them next year, please contact the office (office@dillsburgbic.org or 717-432-3847).

Food, Fun, and Fellowship Here's your chance to get to know those who sit in the pew next to you. Crazy 8's is a ministry designed to bring our church body together while reaching out to our community. Participants are placed on a schedule to enjoy meals with 3 other couples/singles 3 times throughout the year. The host is encouraged to invite someone who does not attend our church to your meal as well. You may indicate if you would like to be a host. In most cases, children are welcome to attend the meal, too! New schedules will be placed in mailboxes in January. If interested, please find the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer and if you have any questions contact Grace Horton. **Welcome Guests** To better connect with you we encourage you to complete a guest registration card located in the pew pockets. You may drop it in the offering plate OR bring it to welcome center in the lobby so that we can greet you and give you a welcome packet.

Kindergarten through 5th grade will be joining us for the first part of the service and then will be released to their classes mid-service. Cherub Church (k-grade 2) meets in the class across from the men's restroom and Junior Church (grades 3-5) will be meeting in Room B1. Please pick your child up from their classroom in a timely manner after the service. If you're visiting, please fill out a Cherub/Junior Church Attendance Card, located in the pew rack, and bring your child to meet their teacher near the coffee bar/welcome center when the children are dismissed from the service.

A combined **Children's Sunday School Class** for Kindergarten through 5th Grade meets in the Cherub Church room. We ask that you sign these children out promptly after Sunday School dismisses at 10:00 a.m. A preschool class will meet in the room next to the ladies' restroom. A staffed nursery for toddlers and babies will also be provided during Sunday School.

Join us for some special events in Sunday School this December. Children's classes will continue as normal, while the youth and all adults will gather in the fellowship hall for the following:

- Pastor Rob will lead on December 9.
- Andi and Shauna Brubaker will share about their ministry in Guatemala on December 16.

There will be an all-church Christmas carol sing during Sunday School on December 23 and no Sunday School classes for children or adults on December 30.



Poinsettias were placed...

In Memory of...

| ●Eddy Robinson | by Jeff & Lois Conrady |
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| Thelma Conrady | by Jeff & Lois Conrady |
| •Mary Ann Engle | by Nevin Engle |
| •Samuel & Sarah Oldham | by Helen Leach |
| Howard & Elaine May | by Julie May |
| •Jan Kevern | by Julie May |
| •Bennie & Ruth Fadenrecht | by Dwight & Annabeth Rotz |
| Irene Spurrier | by Jim & Faithe Spurrier |
| Ruth & Eber Dourte | by Jim & Faithe Spurrier |
| Larry & Mary Keyser | by Ed & Marj Strayer |
| Charles & Margaret Strayer | by Ed & Marj Strayer |

In Honor of...

•]-Lynn & Harriet Conrady •Wanema Green •Sharon & Preston Brandt • Jacob, Sophia & Samantha •Jim & Faithe Spurrier •Ed & Marj Strayer •The Lord Jesus Christ •Sherry Eyster •Eleanor Poe

by Jeff & Lois Conrady by Jeff & Lois Conrady by Poppy & Nana Klick by Poppy & Nana Klick by Jason & Naomi Smith by Marilyn Smith by Ed & Marj Strayer by her Secret Sister by her Secret Sister



Ten Ideas for **Creating a Caring Context** in Which to Share the TRUE **Story of Christmas**

The goal underlying these ideas is to enhance relationships with unsaved friends & neighbors, and create informal Christmas-focused contexts, that will provide opportunities to speak about the life-changing message of the Biblical story of the birth of Jesus Christ.

- 1. Open House.
- 2. Cookie and Candy Sharing Party.
- Invite non-Christians to Dinner. 3.
- Caroling Group. 4.
- Birthday Party for Baby Jesus. 5.
- 6. Christmas Carol Sing-Along.
- 7. Neighborly Treats.
- Cheer Up a Neighbor. 8.
- Christmas Email or Letter. 9.
- 10. Invite to Church.



See this week's DBIC this week email or the flyers in the foyer for more details!

Calendar Notes

| Today | 9:00 a.m. | Classes |
|----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship |
| | 4:00 p.m. | Christmas Choir rehearsal |
| Monday 10 th | 3:00 p.m. | Middle School Monday |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Human Trafficking Meeting (Strayers') |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Women's Bible Study (Pooles') |
| Wednesday 12 ^{tl} | ^h 9:00 a.m. | Women's Bible Study Brunch (FH) |
| | 5:15 p.m. | Eat 'n' Run |
| | 6:30 p.m. | Countdown to Joy |
| Sunday 16 th | 9:00 a.m. | Classes |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Worship |
| | 4:00 p.m. | Christmas Choir rehearsal |

| Statistical Notes as of December 2, 2018 | | |
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| Attendance: Worship | 235 | |
| Giving: Worship Debt Reduction Deacon Fund | \$7,704.00 \$925.00 \$20.00 | |
| Year to Date: General Fund Budget General Fund Giving | \$393,895.38 \$437,700.79 | |

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