



In the Loop

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."
Luke 2:9-12

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Pastor's Point

Writer Anne Lamott says that at our core there are only three prayers: Help, Thanks, and Wow. My time at Centennial Christian Church makes me inclined to agree.

Help

In this multi-year pandemic, we have prayed "Help" again and again.

Help us, O God, to stay healthy and care for our neighbor.

Help us, O God, to remain connected as the Body of Christ even as we worship virtually, divided by our screens and our immune systems.

Help us, O God, to be patient in the face of masking protocols and social distancing.

Thanks

Thank you, O God, for our continued health and well-being.

Thank you, O God for the ability to return to our sanctuary for in-person worship.

Thank you, O God, for Tuesday morning crafts and successful Fall Bazaars.

Thank you, O God, for opportunities to learn and grow together.

Wow

Wow, God, you really outdid yourself this time!

Wow, God, CCC not only continues to live, it thrives!

Wow, God, the opportunity to minister to our seniors in nursing homes is a gift!

Wow, God, this Advent has been joyful and we are eagerly awaiting your son's birth!

As for me and my time here, I could fill pages, but my list consists mostly of thanks:

Thank you, O God, for the grace and support I experienced from these people on Grove Street.

Thank you, O God, for the opportunity to minister with and among them.

Thank you, O God, for their generosity and flexibility.

Thank you, O God, for the opportunity to learn a new kind of ministry amid them.

Thank you, O God, for the blessing that CCC has been in my life and will continue to be in the lives of so many to come. May your loving arms enfold them always.

Blessings,
Pastor Heather



CCC Youth bell ringers



The CCC Youth are scheduled to ring bells for Salvation Army from **3:00-5:00 on 12/21**. We will be **inside Eastland Mall in front of Kohl's**. This is the inner mall entrance. Everyone is invited to come out on the 21st to support our youth and the Salvation Army. See you there.



Poinsettia Dedications to Decorate Our Sanctuary



In Memory of

Given By

Evelyn Cunningham.....Jack and Janet Keefe
Louis Quirk.....Joe and Gwen Peebles
Jason Ray.....Joe and Gwen Peebles
Wayne Roley.....Ruth Roley
Joan Miller.....Ruth Roley
Parents.....Don and Barbara Short



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In Honor of

Given By

Grandchildren & Parents.....Don and Barbara Short
Our Parents.....Bill and Sunshine Wetzel

December 2021/January 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12 JOY Third Sunday of Advent 2nd Sunday Food Pantry	13 Trustees 11A-library	14 CWF 9:30-FH	15 Bridge 12P-GH	16 TOPS#559 5:15P-Isaiah	17	18 Bridge 12P-GH
19 LOVE Fourth Sunday of Advent	20	21 Profile Team 11A CWF Christmas Luncheon 11A-FH	22 Bridge 12P-GH	23 TOPS#559 5:15P-Isaiah	24 Christmas Eve Eve Service 7P	25 Christmas Day 
26	27 Profile Team 11A	28 Elders 6:30P-FH	29 Bridge 12P-GH	30 TOPS#559 5:15P-Isaiah	31	January 1 2022 New Year's Day
2	3	4	5 Bridge 12P-GH	6 Outreach 5P-FH TOPS#559 5:15P-Isaiah	7	8 Bridge 12P-GH
9	10 Trustees 11A-library	11 CWF 9:30A-FH	12 Bridge 12P-GH	13 TOPS#559 5:15P-Isaiah Board Meeting 6P-FH	14	15 Bridge 12P-GH



Prayer Request

Jim Hawkins, brother of Jan Dill, passed away earlier in the week. Please keep Jan, his family and friends in your prayers.

Diane Andres having ear surgery next week. Prayers everything goes well and she has a quick recovery.

Continuing Prayers

Diane Armstrong, Ricky, Calista, Cole, Muriel Dawson, Terry Foland, Rae Geske, Scott Griffith, Jim Hawkins, Joan, Jeff Stauffer, Tammy Leonard, Penny, Lexi Peterson, Lily, Mary Ann, Pete Rasmussen, Fern Scaggs, Cindy Schroeder, Joe Schroeder, Kathy Scott, Barbara Short, Rhonda Smith, Marian Wrinkle

At Home/Assisted Living

Anita Poling (Westminster)

Nursing Home

Heritage Manor-Tom (Billy) Robey, Rev. Barbara Short, Don Short; Martin Health -Earl McIntyre

Military

Mark Brienen, Keyla Folsom, Troy Guyran, Benjamin Horn, Michael Iverson, Adam and Angie Lienhop, Clay Short, John Thomas, Darrell Walton, Glen Whitecotton, Christopher Wilson-Poston

Prayers for CCIW congregations and ministries: FCC Centralia, UniPlace Champaign, Chandlerville CC; Burt Lake CC, Bur Lake, MI

January Birthdays and Anniversaries	
Becky Hines	01/10
Esther Sengpiel	01/12
Kay Davis	01/15
Laurel Poshard	01/27
Ron and Rae Geske	01/29