

Sunday Morning Worship

December 27, 2015

Pianist..... *Dawn Nancekievill*
Welcome & Announcements
Worship in Song.....*Praise Team*
Thanksgiving in Prayer.....*Jeanette Leach*
Tithes & Offerings of Thanksgiving
Children's Message
Worship in Song.....*Praise Team*
Ministry in Music.....*Noam Nicholson*
Scripture: Prov. 3:5,6
Message: "Strength for the Coming Year"
Closing Hymn: "In Christ Alone"
Benediction

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On Sundays between 9:15 and 9:50 a.m. there is **coffee** in the Puntis Fellowship Hall for those who would like to spend time with one another before the church service.

For those with young children, there is a **Nursery** available downstairs.

**Parents** please go downstairs to pick up your children as soon as the church service is over.

**Please remember** to bring non-perishable items to put in the **Food Box** to share with those in need.

## **Our Church Week**

**Tue** There will be no **Prayer and Bible Study** this week. Beginning next week, Prayer and Bible Study will be starting a half hour earlier, at 6:30 p.m.

**Growing Together** and **Youth Group** will start up again the week of January 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Advance Notice:** Our Annual Meeting will be on January 18<sup>th</sup>. Please give your Annual Reports to Jeanette by January 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **From your Library**

Get your holiday reading and viewing from our Library. These are some of the new DVD's that we have. Come downstairs and check these out, and see what else we have. (Sign them out in the binder on the desk.)

**The Secrets of Johnathan Sperry**

**Soul Surfer**

**Son of God**

**Heaven is for Real**

**Fireproof**

**Facing the Giants**

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New Beginnings

I recently saw this quote, "No one can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending" (Unknown). I really began to think about that statement. The conclusion was that we don't start over; but we begin again right where we are, making things better in our lives.

As a believer in Christ, it is not about saying I will do this and I won't do that and then dropping the idea or falling short. It is more about asking the Lord to help us each day, to fall deeper and deeper in love with Him. This way our focus will be set on the things of heaven and not on all this earthly stuff.

If I were to make a New Year resolution, it would be to have a deeper commitment, a deeper love, and a deeper worship for the Lord. In the beginning of this past year, He spoke to me in that still small voice in prayer and said, "I am more than enough. I am more than enough in every area of your life."

This year I am determined to make Him my all and all. He wants our undivided attention in spite of the distractions and temptations that lie waiting around the corner. He has to be our main focus.

How we will end this year will be determined by how we started it. Did we want to get more "INTIMATE" with the lover of our soul? I looked up the word intimacy and the meaning is to be close, familiar, very personal and private.

Do you want a new ending this year? How do you want the ending of your life? If you're not a Christian, please know that this could be the best New Year of your life. Your life can be filled with hope and peace. To know what the ending will be is an extra bonus. Why should every year be the same as the one before with nothing really changing? After all, the New Year resolutions may or may not get accomplished.

If you are a Christian and you feel you are stagnating in your relationship with the Lord, then now is the time to rekindle the love affair with Him. He calls us to Himself and says, "Come away my beloved." Can you hear Him? He is tugging at your heart. The real ending in our life will be when Jesus says well done my good and faithful servant. That statement will be for someone who took the time to get to know Him, love Him, and then obediently followed Him.

Cathy Irvin

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To all who want a faith to live by;
To all who are seeking the meaning in life;
To all who search after sheltering love;
To all who mourn and need comfort;
To all who are friendless and want friendship;
To all who sin and need a Saviour;
To whoever will come –
WELCOME
In the name of Jesus Christ!



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**Sunday, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>** - Tithes & Offerings - \$2,077.25

- Attendance - 84

**Sunday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Greeters – Carl & Gloria Pratt