

Our Daily Bread

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF DESOTO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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JANUARY 2019

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy New Year!

Every year we begin again with new hopes for a better year than we had before. In many ways we determine if that will be the case. While we cannot control events that occur around us, we can control our outlook and reactions to those events.

Do we allow world events to cause us to feel down, depressed or hopeless? Do we allow the words or actions of others to make us feel bad about ourselves? How we react is within our control, although it doesn't always feel like it.

In 1 Thessalonians 5:17 we are told to pray without ceasing. Who, in the midst of praising God in prayer, can worry at the same time? In Philippians 4:18 we are told "whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things."

So, as you embrace 2019 focus on the positives in life. Live your life in Christ and it will be a joyous 2019.

Janet

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Church Life celebrates members and friends birthdays on the first Sunday of each month.

January 1	Sonia Wills
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January 3	Jim Enoch
January 9	Ivan Yuhanna
January 10	Michelle Kalu
January 18	Joe Alexander
January 22	Amanda Yuhanna
January 26	Lori Gast
January 29	Cora Marsaw

1. January 6 - Julie Ciuro
2. January 13 - Bryan Booth Krueger
3. January 20 - Pat Nash
4. January 27 - Bill Gast

JANUARY GOSPEL READINGS

January 6 - Matthew 2:1-12

January 13 - Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 20 - John 2:1-11

January 27 - Luke 4:14-21

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I am acknowledging those of you who participate in the Worship Service each month. We would love to have everyone who worships here be a part of the Worship Service. Talk to Barry Krueger if you would like to volunteer for a specific task, or just sign up on the sheets across from the sanctuary kitchen.

Special thanks in December go to:

1. The liturgists –Bryan Booth Krueger, Julie Ciuro, Bill Gast, and Pat Nash
2. The greeters –Elizabeth Price, and Lori Gast
3. The acolytes – Michelle and Tiffany Kalu,
4. Those who brought snacks for after worship –Pat Nash (3 times), Elizabeth Price, Martha and Truman Brashear, Irmagene Mitchell, Julie Ciuro, and Bill and Lori Gast
5. Those who brought flowers –Barry Krueger and Bryan Booth Krueger (2 times) Joan Christy for being the Gatekeeper
6. Lori Gast– has taken on the responsibility of filling the candles with oil.
7. Pat Nash hosts the after worship refreshment time with help from Church Life
8. Bryan Booth Krueger for helping prepare the communion, and picking up the attendance sheets after the service.
9. Elders serving communion: Pat Nash and Julie Ciuro
10. Julie Ciuro for making the Communion Bread.

LITURGIST SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our leaders, our Presbytery, our church, the Session, our troops, Lorrinda and Joe Alexander, Grace Presbytery and all the churches in the Presbytery, Sunday School, Margie Sonntag, Millie Allen, Tom Price, Bill and Nina Swaney, Bill's father Bill Gast, Sue Fitch, Joan Christy's nephew Ryan McNeil, continued prayers for Cameroon, Makia and Mireille Epie, travel mercies for all those traveling this month, Joan's sister Shirley and her family, Irmagene Mitchell, Steve Rangel, Bob Drury, Bruce Allen, Kevin Kimsy, prayers for Russia, Barry Krueger, Bryan Booth Krueger, David Shellman passed away prayers for Rachel Kohlhoff and the rest of his family, Karla Krueger, Lorrinda had hip replacement surgery, fires in California, Carolyn Douglas, Pat has glaucoma, Tyrone Wills had heart surgery, Nancy's granddaughter is being deployed for 4 months to an unknown location, Jennifer Swan had kidney surgery, Howard and Cathy McCreary and family, Kathy Poyner and her family – their father passed away.

CELEBRATIONS

Nina is recovering from her surgery, Jeff and April Alexander adopted a boy named Jace, Bryan celebrates all the people that help around the church – especially Joan, Pat and Joe, Mireille and Makia celebrate Makia's "rebirth", thanks to all who helped decorate the church for Christmas – especially Pat Nash, it was wonderful to have so many people in church, Janet and Julie are having a wonderful time, Edwin took the warm clothes to the shelter, Margie Sonntag says she misses everyone and wishes us all a Merry Christmas, Walter Yuhanna and Onzelle Chandler both came to church today, it was wonderful to have Nina back, Howard McCreary is doing better and will probably go to rehab soon, Lorrinda came through her surgery and is home from the hospital, Tyrone Wills is doing much better, Gene Knox is home from his cruise.

CLOTHES FOR THE NEEDY

Winter is here and our thoughts are with the homeless. We are collecting clothing for the needy. Especially needed are men's clothing, and socks in dark colors in all sizes. Please bring these items to the church and place them in the laundry basket located in the opportunity corner.

BRING IN BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION!

It's easy to find BOX TOPS, you may have some in your home right now. You can find them on hundreds of different products, from cereal as well as other kinds of food, to storage products, household products and school supplies. Look for a sample of one in the Opportunity Corner. Each BOX TOP is worth \$.10, so imagine how quickly they can add up! There is a write-up about this with a heartfelt thank you from the Goodland Academy on the bulletin board.

TREASURER'S REPORT

November 2018:

Income	\$4,602
Expenses	\$6,186

Year-to-Date:

Income	\$60,423
Expenses	\$75,506

Please continue to support the church with your giving of time, treasure, and talent, and your faithful attendance in church. Also continue to pray for the church.

If you have any questions or comments, just call me at 972-223-3631. Thank You, Joan Christy, Treasurer

5th SUNDAY POT-LUCK LUNCH

Instead of having our Pot-Luck Lunch on December 30, 2018, we moved it to January 27, 2019. So remember to mark your calendars, so you can come fellowship with us. Bring one of your favorite dishes to share. We hope to see everyone here. Church Life Committee

WE NEED YOUR HELP

On January 12, 2019 at 10:00a.m. we are going to take down the Christmas decorations. The more people that come to help, the less time it will take. We hope to see a large group coming to help this year. Thank you in advance. The Worship Committee.

STATED SESSION MEETING

Our next Stated Session Meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2019 at 12:30p.m. in the Rainbow Room. If you are an elder and you cannot make it, please let Lori Gast know – (214)218-7784.

JANUARY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 09:30 Choir Practice 10:30 AM Bible Study 11:00 AM Worship Service w/ communion and Ordination and Installation of Ruling Elders	7 6:00 PM Cub Pack 789 Bears 7:00 PM Boy Scout 109	8 10:30 AM Tuesday Morning Group	9	10 10:00 AM Art Group	11	12 10:00 a.m. Take down Decorations
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