



**MISSIONARY
CHURCH**

Faith News & Notes

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EVENTS THIS WEEK

December 2nd - December 9th

SUNDAY

9:00 AM Prayer at the Altar
9:30 AM Bible Hour
10:45 AM Worship Service
12:00 PM All Church Elections

WEDNESDAY

10:30 AM Young at Heart Christmas
6:15 PM Choir
6:30 PM Mid-Week Classes
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study

SATURDAY

10:00 AM Children's Christmas Program
Dress Rehearsal

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Children's Christmas Program

Nursery Care is provided during the worship service for children birth-2.5 years in Room #1.

Kids Church is available during the worship service for children 2.5 years-5th grade. Children are dismissed during the service. Children can be picked up in Room #3.

Young at Heart Christmas Gathering Wednesday, December 5th 10:30 AM

Join us for an afternoon of food, games, gift exchange, fellowship, and lots of fun with friends. For the gift exchange, purchase a non-gender specific gift costing no more than \$10. We will have baked chicken, bring a salad or dessert. Sign up if you plan to attend.



Discover CONFERENCE

February 8-10, 2019

- DISCOVER God's voice in their lives
- ENGAGE in what God is calling them to
- WORSHIP the Creator of the universe
- LEARN repeatable, reproducible, processes to read the Word, pray, and engage in community

This is an opportunity for teens to deepen their relationship with God, learn habits of reading scripture, and learn how to engage in church community. On Saturday afternoon students will have time to play Gaga Ball, basketball, volleyball, archery tag, rock wall, broom ball, and more. There is also a sweet tubing hill with tubes provided (weather permitting).

The total cost is \$125 (includes 2 nights lodging, 4 meals) . The church will pay half the cost. T-shirts are \$12. Sign up in the foyer if your student plans to attend. Registrations are due December 12th. Money is due January 27th. Questions? See Pastor Brent.

Flyers are available in the foyer if you would like to post/promote our adult Christmas program. We also have invitations for you to invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and family to our upcoming Christmas services.



It's Christmas Time

It's probably safe to say that Christmas is everyone's favorite time of the year, but it's also the time of year when life moves faster, stress is greater, and the chaos of the season can easily drown out the true meaning of Christmas. "It's Christmas Time" is a musical journey of one man's life and understanding of Christmas.

Come experience the festive and frenetic season we know as Christmas. Through heartbreaking drama and reminiscent music, we're able to see not only ourselves, but those hurting souls around us who, like us, need God to speak peace into their lives this Christmas season.



Join us for this festive musical drama
Saturday, December 15th at 7:00 PM
or Sunday, December 16th at 10:45 AM

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
Fight by Craig Groeschel
 Winning the Battle that Matters Most
Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.

Author Craig Groeschel explores the life of Samson, helping you uncover who you really are—a man created with a warrior's heart in the image of God—and how to stand up and fight for what's right.

Schedule

Dec. 19th Session 4 Small Steps, Big Destruction
 Jan. 9th Session 5 Failing Forward



WINTER JAM 2019

Van Andel Areana,
 Grand Rapids
 Friday, January 18th
 \$15 per person
 We will leave the church
 @ 4 PM
 Bring money for meal stop,
 snacks, and souvenirs.
 Sign up in the foyer
 if you plan to attend.

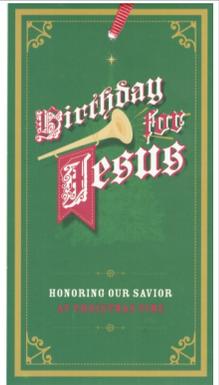


12/02 Amanda Buzzard
 12/04 Rebekah Kriesch
 12/04 Ramona Little
 12/04 Tami Stevens
 12/06 Kirsten Dik
 12/06 Lynda Stanfill
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Birthday for Jesus

Here is a chance for you to spread the Gospel at Christmas time.
 It's called *Birthday for Jesus*.

Are you satisfied that Christmas is a time when the community truly and deliberately focuses on the birth of Jesus? I, like you, am not satisfied. You and I know that in today's society the Christmas Season becomes a commercial environment focused on buying and giving gifts. How would you like to help change that by changing the focus to the real reason for the Christmas season . . . the birth of Jesus.

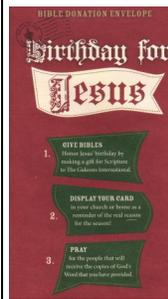


The Christmas edition of Our Daily Bread is available in the foyer.



Christmas Cards

The bulletin board is available for those who would like to post a Christmas card to our church family.



To accomplish this, churches are using special birthday cards for Jesus and an offering envelope. We can now deliberately focus the Christmas season on the birth of Jesus. Birthdays come with cards and a gift. But what gift is appropriate for Jesus? Jesus would be pleased to know your birthday gift to Him will be Bibles distributed worldwide to people who have never owned a personal Bible. Your gift honoring Jesus can be used by people to discover Jesus and to find salvation.

This month we are collecting **CHUNKY SOUP** for the Flushing Christian Outreach Center. Simply place your donations on the designated table.



Please use the card and donation envelope during the Christmas season to honor Jesus and acknowledge the historic significance of his birth. A Christmas tree is located by the church library. On it are several cards with ribbons, please fill out a birthday for Jesus card and mark down how many Bibles you're donating. Hang the card back on the tree. Then fill out the donation envelope located on the table next to the tree and put it in the offering plate or mail it in. Questions? Call the church office.



Sunday, December 9th @ 10:45 AM

We are practicing for our Children's Christmas Program on Sundays and Wednesdays.
 Our dress rehearsal is Saturday, December 8th from 10:00 AM-12:30 PM.
 Following the rehearsal we will have pizza. Thank you for helping your kids learn the songs and their parts.
 Questions? See Val Kriesch or Tami Stevens.

WINTER WEATHER CANCELLATION

Sunday Morning: If Sunday morning service is cancelled, you will receive a phone call. In addition, an e-mail will go out and it will be posted on the church Facebook page. If in doubt, call the church.

Weeknight Activities: Activities are on unless Flushing schools closed for the day. If Flushing schools have a 2-hour delay, morning activities are cancelled, but evening activities are on.