

2023
SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE

What Child Is This?
Isaiah 9:6-7

This Child's _____

- This Child was _____.
*Jesus knew what you and I would _____ and go through. (Hebrews 4:15)
- This Child was _____.
*“a child was born” speaks of His _____.
*“a Son was given” speaks of His _____.
*As a Child He is He Son of _____! (Isaiah 7:14)
*As a Son He is the Son of _____!
- This Child was a _____.
*As the Son of God Jesus was _____.
(John 3:16)
- God has given you _____ He did not have to give you.
*He has given you _____ – He didn’t have to _____ you.
*He has given you a _____ that can give you _____ life.

This Child's _____

- A single name _____ describe Jesus.
- Wonderful – _____.
- Counselor – qualified in ways no _____ counselor is. (Col. 2:3)
- Mighty God – nothing Jesus _____ do.
- Everlasting God – Jesus has no _____ and no _____.
- Prince of peace – gives you peace in the midst of a _____.

When you have Jesus, you have _____!

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SCHEDULE

Sunday	
Bible Classes for all ages	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	
Bible Classes for all ages	6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

Elders	Deacons
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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour Cheryl Bliss
ELDER for Dec. Dale Donaghe
LADIES COMMITTEE for Dec. Ethel Johnson



DECEMBER 24TH, 2023

Order Of Worship	
Song Leader: Russell Capshaw	
Welcome.....	Dale Donaghe
376 Joy To The World 436 Nearer, Still Nearer	
Prayer.....	Kevin Thompson
784 Why Did My Savior Come To Earth	
Lord's Supper.....	Ryan Bliss
852 Freely, Freely	
Offering.....	Brian Donaghe
883 Seek Ye First	
Scripture Reading.....	Shawn Johnson
Morning Service....."What Child Is This?" ...with Roy Senior	
421 Love Lifted Me 464 O Come All Ye Faithful	
Closing Prayer.....	Dale Brand
Evening Worship.....	5 PM

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

ENCOURAGING WORDS

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Dec. 24th	Morning Class @ 9:30 AM Worship @ 10:30 AM Evening Worship @ 5 PM Christmas Eve
25th	Christmas Day
26th	Judith Scharnagel's birthday
27th	Evening Service @ 6:30 PM
30th	Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM

BRIDGE HOUSE

Thank you to all that supported the meal that was served last night. As always, it was greatly appreciated.



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. ~ **1 Thessalonians 5:16-17**

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Very few burdens are heavy IF everyone lifts. Commit your works to the Lord And your plans will be established.
~ **Proverbs 16:3**

-Prayers for **Pat Bliss** following her surgery this past week. Please keep the extended family in your prayers as well.

-Dale & Sharon Donaghe asked for prayers for his sister-in-law **Patty**. She has a rare blood condition & is very weak & falls often. Her husband **David** was recently diagnosed with advanced stomach cancer & was admitted to the local hospital. They are in search of a place near the hospital & a caretaker for them both as they receive treatments.

-Jinny Donald fell a week or so ago. Please keep her in your prayers as she works through the pain & recovery. Prayers of thanksgiving that she didn't break anything.

-Kim Bower asks for prayers for the **Jones** family, as they grow stronger together & keep God 1st in everything they do.

-Loretta Bower passed along a prayer request from **Tracy**. She asks for prayers for her friends **Nayomi & Arosh**. They have a donor in their pursuit of having a baby. Prayers this will be successful for them.

-Please keep **Laura Crownover** in your prayers as she works through the loss of her brother & care of her sisters. She is also battling vertigo.

-Jan Hayes asked for prayers for her daughter-in-law **Brenda**. She is dealing with gall stones & can't have the surgery to remove them until the infection goes away. Prayers that will be soon.

-Prayers of thanksgiving from **Ann Thompson** for the successful restoration of the butterfly mural being finished with no injury.

-Shawn B Johnson asked for prayers for her husband **Shawn**, that he found peace in his day last Sunday. It is so great that we can pray for love & support for each other.

-Continued prayers for **Alora Cottam** & her struggles with her thoughts.

-Mike & Shannon Cottam had prayers of thanksgiving for their move going smoothly. So glad to have such a close church family that always jumps in to help.

-Prayers for the **kids out of school** for the holiday break, for their safety & happiness. Prayers also for **the parents** as this brings challenges for daycare etc.

-Please keep those who will be traveling for the holidays: i.e. the **Hopkins, Loretta Bower, Laura Crownover & Dave Gastellum** among others.

-Continued prayers for the **church house** sale. Also, prayers of thanksgiving for the roofers finishing well ahead of schedule.

I'm Glad He Was Born!

We are at that time of the year when much of the world is focusing on the events surrounding the birth of a child in Bethlehem some 2,000 years ago.

Many are so glad He was born because it is so easy to love baby Jesus. The events surrounding the birth of a child are fascinating, but none are more fascinating than the events of Jesus' birth. The baby in the manger and the visit of the shepherds and the wise men are well known, even by those who do not have any faith in Jesus. Baby Jesus is so easy to love.

Many are so glad He was born because babies make no demand of them. It is so easy to love those who do not demand our time or attention. All babies are cute, and others, except their parents or care givers, can enjoy being around them because they can just walk away from infants whenever they like. Baby Jesus is like that. The shepherds and the wise men came to where He was and simply walked away anytime they liked. Baby Jesus is great and so lovable as long as we are in control.

Many are so glad He was born, but that all changes when He gets older. Do you recall how amazed the religious leaders were when young Jesus talked to them in the temple? It was these same leaders who loved young Jesus who later put Him to death. It is rather fascinating that so many today have this same relationship to Jesus. They love talking about Him when He was little, but really have trouble when He is old enough to talk back to them!

Many are so glad He was born, but lose sight of the real reason He came. The early church did not focus on the birth of Jesus, but on His death and resurrection. Peter proclaimed Jesus as the Lord and the Christ (Acts 2:36). Because Jesus is Lord, Peter commanded his listeners to repent/change in the name of Jesus. Baby Jesus is one thing, but Lord Jesus is another. The only hope this world has is not found in a baby in a manger, but in a Savior on the cross. He left the manger to go to the cross, but He left the cross to go to a throne where He rules the world.

Imagine how this world would dramatically change if we all focused on Him as Lord instead of as a baby!

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