Larry's Lines...

Season's Greetings

Pat and I want to wish each of you a very happy, safe, and peaceful Holiday Season. You are a wonderful church family, we love and appreciate you so very much. We want to thank you for all the expressions of love and kindness you have bestowed on us this past year. You are truly a very special church family and your are special to us. We thank God for the warmth you have brought into our lives. We are now in our eleventh year with you. With each passing day we love you more dearly.

Now that the New Year is upon us, do you have any resolutions? Wouldn't that be an ideal time to completely free ourselves from all old memories of bitterness, hate, and jealousy? Wouldn't it be a great time to renew our efforts in pressing on toward the high calling of God in Christ Jesus? Wouldn't it be a good time to lay aside all the worry and distress, and lay our burdens before the throne of grace? Wouldn't it be a good time to forgive all of those who have sinned against us? Wouldn't it be a good time to turn all of our moments and joys of this New Year over to the Master?

I said to the man

At the gate of the New Year
Give me a light that I
May tread safely into the unknown."
And he replied, "Go into the darkness
And put your hand into the hand of God.
That shall he be to you better than a light
And safer than a known way."

Have A Great Holiday

Larry and Pat

With our winter weather coming on, please be advised that the **Cancellation of services** will be announced on the following TV stations:

KNWA-TV | Fox 24 or 40/29 KHBS/ KHOG.

NOTICES

Pantry Items needed: soups and stews

December 24th evening service will be a singing night.

Our Condolences goes to the Candace Perry Family. Candice lost her step father, James Clayton Harper, December 7, 2017. Please keep this family in your prayers.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! A total of \$22,799.00 was raised for school kids in Honduras.

Upcoming Events

New Years Eve party December 31, 2017 right after evening services. Bring your favorite snacks, games and drinks. We will ring in the New Year together!

Young Adults

Starting January of 2018, we will increase our efforts of strengthening the faith of families. On the second Sunday night of each month, we will share a fellowship meal together and cover a biblical principle to refocus our efforts in the home. It is an open potluck meal. We hope that this effort with be beneficial to our young families. See David or Jeremy if you have questions.

The Harding University Chorus will be performing a concert at the Johnson Church of Christ, Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 7pm. Invite your family, friends, coworkers, etc. The Harding students will also worship with us on Sunday morning. Please bring something for the pot luck meal downstairs directly after services.

Check those mailboxes!!!!
It's Christmas.



Diane Murray
Sara McCoy
December 25th
Jordan Scott
December 26th
Keith Montgomery
Lisa Martindale
December 27th
Mary Jo Hankla
December 28th
Larry Paiz
December 30th
Tommy Stilwell
December 31st
Chris Witt

Happy Hnniversary

December 29th

Terry and Patricia

Neumaster

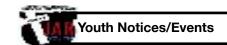
December 31st

Marc and Christa

Wolfe

Robinson Avenue Church of Christ will be hosting the

Lipscomb A Cappella Choir, Friday, January 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm.



JAR NEW YEAR'S EVE LOCK IN. We will be joining Mt. Comfort and Robinson Ave at High Rise from 12:30-7am on New Year's Eve. The plan is to hang out at the building after church, play some games, & have a devo before heading over to High Rise at 12:30-7. Cost is \$25 for the night. (Let me know if you need help with this cost) This covers the cost of High Rise and some late night food. You can pick your teens up at the building at 7:30 am.

More information about these and other events can be found on the Events board in the foyer.

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues:

Vada Loker had surgery Rita Harriman had gall bladder surgery, Bob Murray (father of Kevin Murray) is having heart issues, Ron Parsley is having health issues, Lawson Keeter is having medical issues and will be traveling this month to different doctors.

Those who have lost loved ones: The Candace Perry Family, The Jennifer Witt Family, The Bobby Meadors Family, and The Mike Fine family.

Those Who have been Deployed Overseas: Ron Burns and Jeremy Curlee (grandson of Hilma Curlee).

Those on Hospice: Oma Leta Smith and Bessie Richey.

Those fighting Cancer: Millie Hood, Keith Montgomery, Leslie Cones and Darvil Tester (Pam Hill's step-father).

Those who need your continual prayer and consideration! All of our Shut-ins: Arlie Pennington, Pearl Couch, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates, Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams and Roy Howard, and Betty Jordan.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, the families that lost loved ones, those who are traveling this holiday season, as well as our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas.

*All names submitted to the prayer list will appear for four continuous weeks. After that time, they will be removed unless further updates are received. You can always resubmit a name should they need continual or additional prayers.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2017

Lord's Table <u>Ushers</u> Bradon Wolfe Easton Wolfe JP Bradford Colton Lewis Jonathan Martindale Mike Mitchell Heath Huffmaster Matt Bassing Richard Hutton Doug Goodpasture Virgil Harmon **Dustin Mayhew** Phil Curlee <u>Announcements</u> Doug Goodpasture **Becky Bluse** Joe Harriman

Matt Bassing

<u>Deliver Communion</u> Dustin Mayhew

Lisa Lewis Jennifer Lewis

Amanda Gardenhire

Prepare Communion
Janice Thomas

Donna Baker

Steve Martindale

George Martin

Nursery Attendants
Kaileigh Shefelbine

P.A. System
Jared Cobb

Song Leader
Randall Harriman

If you would like email reminders of your service assignment, please provide the office with your email address.

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THE LORD'S DAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

Announcements Joe Harriman

Song Leader Randy Harriman

Hymn #1005 Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Hymn #1003 Silent Night! Holy Night!

> **OPENING PRAYER** Alan Fortenberry

Hymn #1002 Angels We Have Heard on High

Communion Hymn #273 More Precious Than Silver

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE Isaiah 53:3-9 Josh Fortenberry

COMMUNION PRAYER Mike Mitchell

LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

Hymn #699 I'll Be A Friend to Jesus

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 26:57-68 **Preston Keeter**



Invitation Hymn #790 Lord Take Control

Closing Hymn #1018 **Joy To The World**

> **Closing Prayer** George Martin

Welcome Visitors!

We are so happy to have you, and consider you our honored guest. I we can help you in any way, please don't hesitate to ask any of our members. We would love to help make your visit a pleasant one

December Events

December 24th

Christmas Devo

December 25th

Office Closed

December 28th

Elders Meeting December 31st

New Years Eve Party

January Events

January 1st

Office Closed

January 5th

January 6th

Harding University Chorus

Concert

January 7th

Potluck with Harding Choir

January 9th

Threads of Love

January 11th

Elders Meeting

January 12th

Youth Outreach University in Conway

January 20th

Teen Devo at Terry and Linda Huffmasters

January 23rd

Threads of Love

January 25th **Elders Meeting**

January 28th

4th Sunday Fellowship

AM SERMON OUTLINE

Jesus on Trial in the First Century

- 1. Prejudice Predominates (The Sanhedrin)
- 2. Politics Prevails(Pilate)

Jesus On Trial In the Twenty-first Century 1. What's your Verdict?

- 2. Jesus was not placed on the Roman Cross because of his sins-but because of our sins
- 3. What will you do with Jesus?

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

Welcome

Johnson church of Christ

December 24, 2017