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THE PASTOR'S PAGE

Happy New Year!

One of the joys of every new year is being able to both look back at what has happened, and look ahead for what we are trusting the Lord to do. I know as I think over this past year I see a lot of really exciting things which the Lord has been doing in the life of this congregation and I trust he will continue to work mighty things in our midst.

One of the ways in which we do this as a church is through our annual meeting, which is going to be January 14th after church. It is a great opportunity to hear from our various committees and to look forward to a great future that the Lord has for us. If you have not been to one of our annual meetings I encourage you to stick around that Sunday. Perhaps my favorite part of the meeting is when we elect new officers for the church, it is a profound moment in which we affirm and trust the Lord that He has raised up these people to lead this congregation in the way it should go. In some of our founding documents it defines the first duty of the elder as this; "to represent the mind of Christ." What a profound responsibility, challenge, and calling that the Lord places on these people.

For the past few years, we have also received new members that Sunday during the worship service prior to the meeting. This enables people who have been coming but have not formally joined as members the opportunity to fully partake in the meeting with the various votes which our constitutional documents and laws of the state require. To be clear, the voting at the annual meeting is just a tiny fraction of the reasons why membership in a local church is blessing and good idea. It is a beautiful commitment of a person to the bride of Christ, the church. It is a request to be discipled, taught, instructed and pursued in spiritual matters while simultaneously you are committed to by the members of the congregation to care for you in these ways. If you would like more information about membership, or if you would be interested in joining, would you be wiling to join me for a lunch after church on January 7th. This will be a time to learn a bit more about our church and denomination and you can ask any questions you may have about the church whether that is questions about what we believe, who we are, where we are headed etc. I hope that you will consider joining me for that time. On the calendar it will be labeled, "pizza with the pastor." God bless you all and I look forward to a magnificent 2024 with you

Pastor David

Pastor David's Office Hours: Monday 9 - 12 & 1 - 4 pm | Tues. & Wed. 1-5pm | Thurs. 9 am - 12 pm
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JANUARY

In the blink of an eye,
another year has come

White As Snow

ED OSTROM

White fluffy snowflakes drifting down, Cloaking the landscape in white all around,
All looks so perfectly pure and crystal clean, An alluring peaceful and serene scene.
The fields that looked so dead and brown, Now with a new freshness fully abound,
As the white snow covers the dead grass, Bringing a sense of cleanliness in contrast.

In the countryside that is pure and white, We see a lesson for life that is true and right,
Often life is marked by sin dark as night, But Jesus comes to bring redeeming light so bright.

The blackness of sin is made pure and white, As the love of the Lord redeems making things right,
His sanctifying presence cleanses white as snow, Rendering things serene and pure now here below.

Though our sins be as scarlet we now know, The Lord in love will make them white as snow,
O Lord sanctify Your people now we pray, In our lives come make us pure and white today



PIZZA WITH THE PASTOR
JANUARY 7TH! COME
FIND OUT WHAT IT
MEANS TO BE A MEMBER

I've tried reading my Bible but I can't get past Genesis

Have you tried to read your bible before but struggled to get past the first few books? That's pretty common. We get excited in January and make big bold plans to make it through our bible and then we hit some pot holes in the road. Maybe we take a trip and we fall behind on our reading plan or it starts getting complicated and we lose ambition. Americans and Europeans actually have the hardest time with giving up partway through the Bible because we tend to think more linearly. We open at the beginning and try to go through chronologically. Other cultures think differently and look at books based on their theme, not necessarily where it fell in a timeline. If you get overwhelmed trying to read the whole Bible, just try to read through different books of the Bible instead of cover to cover. Start in John and then go to Genesis and then Psalms. You can jump around as much as you want. The point is getting into God's word, not what order you go in.



Pray for Gen Z

According to the CDC suicide rates of people aged 10-24 went up 56% from 2007 to 2017. That was before the pandemic and we know rates have gone even higher since then, reaching their peak in 2022. These are some alarming statistics and it's easy as older generations to point blame at younger generations instead of empathizing with them and coming alongside them. The best things we can do for people who are suffering is pray and share Christ. Pray for healing, pray for peace and most importantly pray for this next generation to find their Savior. The desperation that we see manifesting in mental health issues is really just a desperation for Christ. A desperation to be made whole. They just don't know that yet. We need to be bold with sharing our faith and with our prayers. This month take some time to pray that Gen Z become suicide free. Take some time to share about the one who conquered the grave. Jesus has sent us to bring good news to the afflicted and to lift up the brokenhearted. To proclaim liberty to the captive and to open up the prison doors of depression and anxiety.

Missionary Spotlight.

YOU MIGHT KNOW DYLAN AS THE GUY WHO PLAYS THE PIANO AT CHURCH, BUT HE'S ALSO A MISSIONARY AT CAMP DANIEL! HERE'S A NOTE FROM DYLAN AND LINNEA....

For all Camp Daniel Missionaries, the winter season can be overwhelming. As we wrap up the year we focus on our final 2023 events, prepare for the coming snow, and look forward to the holidays. This year our Holiday Getaway and Very Merry Christmas Party were blessed with a lot of help from new and long-time volunteers who continue to impress us each time we see them.

The Faith EPC community has become one of the biggest support systems for Linnea and myself, and for the Camp Daniel family as a whole. We cannot express enough how much we appreciate all the love we receive from you. We are always looking for people to support our mission at Camp financially through donationa dn spirtually through prayer. We look forward to the upcoming year to see where God takes our Journey.

Support us by visiting campdaniel.org, click "Give Today!", support a missionary, Dylan and Linnea Stonelake

Prayer focus for
this month:
LORD, make
Gen Z suicide
free!



JANUARY 2024



COUNTING

Jan 7th	Jerry R, Nora S
Jan 14th	Howie E, Lynn B
Jan 21st	Derrick M, David G
Jan 28th	David G, Lyle Cherry

COMMUNION

Jan 7th	1. David G	2. Cindy B
Jan 14th	1. Nora S	2. Derrick M
Jan 21st	1. Jerry R	2. Howie E
Jan 28th	1. David G	2. Lyle C

No: 1- Set up and Serve
No: 2- Serve and Clean up

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Pat Zahn	3 rd
Annette Beattie	4 th
Jonathan Swanson	12 th
Debra Baumgart	12 th
Dennis Pelkin	15 th
Howard Edwards	20 th
Dawsyn Cherry	21 st
Jolayne Boehmke	22 nd
Sandy Brzozowski	23 rd
Jane Denis	27 th

Ron and Mitzy Christiansen	1 st
Pat and Martha Neitzer	6 th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jan 7th	Randy C
Jan 14th	Nora S
Jan 21st	Glen F
Jan 28th	Cindy B

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, or got it wrong, please call the church office so that we (hopefully) don't make the same mistake in the future!

JANUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 AA 7pm	3 Morning Men's Group 6:30am	4	5 AA 7pm	6
7 Sunday School Worship 10 am Potluck Sunday School Meeting Young Adult Group 6pm	8 Jail Outreach	9 Worship Prac 6pm Prayer Meeting 7pm AA 7pm	10 Morning Men's Group 6:30am The Hub/Hub Jr	11 Session 6pm	12 AA 7pm	13
14 Sunday School Worship 10 am Salad Fundraiser Pickup Annual Meeting After Church	15	16 Sarah's Circle 12:30 Prayer Meeting 6pm AA 7pm	17 Morning Men's Group 6:30am The Hub/Hub Jr	18 Young Explorers 4- 5pm Men's and Women's Group 5:30pm	19 AA 7pm	20 Young Explorers Sledding Party 1- 3pm
21 Deacon Mtg 9am Sunday School Worship 10am Young Adult Group 6pm	22 Jail Outreach	23 Sarah's Circle 12:30 Prayer Meeting 6pm AA 7pm	24 Morning Men's Group 6:30am The Hub/Hub Jr	25 Men's/Women's Group 5:30pm	26 AA 7pm Presbytery Meeting in Waukegan	27
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