



The Steeple



December 2024

SERVING AT THE TABLE

Elders & Deacons:

*Craig Perry,
Mike Davis
Vicky Jones
Lynn Parrott
Scott Jolly
Stan Bridges

Communion Steward

Ellen Jolly

Minister's Report for November 13, 2024, Board Meeting.

During the month of October, I continued to get to know members of the congregation by attending Sunday School, other events (including the Halloween hayride), greeting people before and after the worship service, lunches after church, meetings, and phone calls or visits in the church office. I met with the regional minister, Dr. Donald Gillette and west area minister, Rev. Rachel Nance-Woehler via Zoom, to as an orientation to the Kentucky Region in general and to discuss the transition process in particular. Part of this was in my October report because I had nothing to report from September.

I've tried to learn as much as possible about what is going on in the congregation in regard to worship, Christian Ed, children and youth ministry, property, and pastoral care. I was able to attend a worship committee meeting. as we planned for the Hanging of the Greens and the Season of Advent. I also. attended both the Elders' meeting and the Board meeting in the month of October. I have made it a practice (as I have done in previous churches) to get sermon planning done for several weeks so that I can provide bulletin information to the church secretary (including text, title, sermon synopsis, confession and assurance, call to worship, etc.) and to Laura, to assist with choosing hymns and anthems.

I have been meeting and communicating with Melissa on a regular basis, so that we can coordinate the children's moment with the sermon for each Sunday. We have worked together to plan lessons and activities that fit with the season now Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. I appreciate the effort she is making to work with me in planning ahead and we hope to be able to schedule. youth/children's events in advance in order to communicate that to the congregation and especially to the children and their parents.

I appreciate all the support I have received from you. While much of our time. and energy will be focused on Advent & Christmas, as well as holiday outreach, I also am focusing on church membership, inviting people to join who are not yet members, and will emphasize baptism in coming weeks perhaps having a pastor's session with some of our children early next year. That is not to rush. them toward baptism, but to make sure they begin to learn about it for when they are ready. I am also looking forward to working with the transition team. It is my hope and my intention to help you prepare for the new settled pastor that God has in store for you. Grace and

Peace, Ron Buck.



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HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

If you or someone you know is in the hospital or having surgery, and would like an elder to visit or add you to the prayer list, please let us know.



Elders: Mike and Judy Davis, Dan Grigson, Carey and Sheri Lancaster, Craig and Stephanie Perry, Ronnie Cook, Ken Cooley and Chappell Wilson

Letter to Our Church Family

Dear CCC Family, Sunday November 10th, we experienced an unexpected emergency situation. We both want to thank you for your heartfelt prayers, texts, cards, words of encouragement, gifts and visits. You truly gave us a renewed realization of how much we are cared for and loved by our Gracious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and our church family. We have more faith in our hearts now to accept what our future holds, because, whatever it may be, we know God is always right here with us, going through whatever it is that may happen. God is soooooooooooooooooooooo good! This is the day the Lord hath made, and may we all rejoice in it together. Love, Cher & Doug



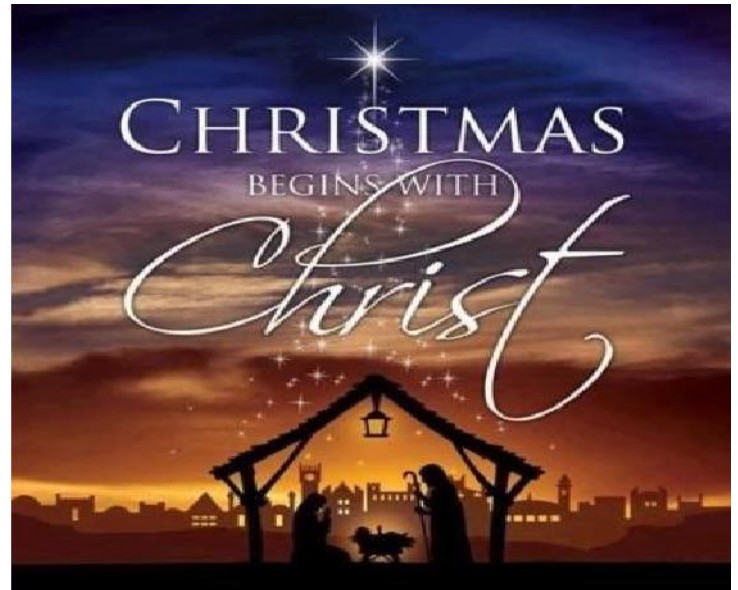
Youth group stained glass class



Church News:

- ♦ Angel Tree names can be picked up at Bank of Cadiz & Trust, FNB Bank and First Financial. Gifts need returned by December 16, 2024.
- ♦ Baby Shower for Ellie & Justin Hageman, December 15, 2024 after Sunday Service..
- ♦ Youth group made up and had delivered Thanksgiving meal baskets to 3 families.
- ♦ The youth group shopped for 3 Angel Tree children, November 24. They had a wrap party on December 1st and a lunch with Santa event on December 8.
- ♦ Members selected to serve on the Transition Team are; Lynn Parrott, Ellen Jolly, Carol Martin, Sheri Lancaster and Chappell Wilson. Thank you to these members for being willing to serve in this capacity.
- ♦ Search Team member are Vicky Jones, Ken Cooley, Judy Davis, Kyle French-Tremmel, Hannah Champion and Joanna Mulas. These members will be developing a Congregational Profile and formulating an offer package, with Board input, to be presented to the potential settled pastor. This committee will be working with Dr. Gillette.

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DECEMBER 24TH HAPPY CHRISTMAS EVE

DECEMBER 25TH MERRY CHRISTMAS



**DECEMBER 31ST NEWS EVE
HAPPY NEW YEAR**

December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 1 First Sunday of Advent	2	3 AA 6PM	 4 Choir 5PM Elders Mtg 6:30PM	5	 6	7 Cadiz Christmas Parade
8 Second Sunday of Advent Lunch with Santa after service	9	10 AA 6PM Advent Choral Service 6PM Cadiz Methodist Church	11 Choir 5PM Board Mtg 6:30PM Youth Group 3:30PM	12 Kim Off	13 Kim working 9-2	14
15 Third Sunday of Advent Ellie & Justin's Baby	16 No CWF Mtg Angel Tree gifts due back to the banks	17 AA 6PM	18 Choir 5PM	19 CMF 6:30PM	20	21
22 Fourth Sunday of Advent	23	24 AA 6PM Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day		27	28
29 Special 5th Sunday Offering	30	31 AA 6PM News Years Eve				

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

- 3 Melissa Russell
- 6 Anne Richardson
- 12 Kevin Carr
- 15 Scott Jolly
- 16 Violet Hopson
- 17 Doug Loose
- 25 Charlene Sheehan
- 26 Sheri Lancaster



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

- 4 Bob and Mary Belk
- 15 Ronnie and Connie Cook
- 21 Kevin and Trudy Carr
- 26 Buddy and Linda Perry
- 31 Ken Cooley & Allison Edwards
- 31 Justin Hageman & Ellie Jolly Hageman

