

### Announcements

**ANNUAL HOLIDAY POTLUCK TODAY** - Today following the morning service. The church will provide meat (turkey, chicken & ham) and beverage. Everyone welcome!

**SHOVELING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** -To assist with shoveling and salting sidewalks this year please sign up at the Welcome Center. Any questions or for further information please see Don Kilburn.

**LADIES ORNAMENT EXCHANGE** - Reminder Annual Ladies Ornament Exchange is this Tuesday, December 4th at 6:30pm at Fricano's Restaurant located at 7454 North 6th St., Kalamazoo. Please keep your gift under \$10.00 If you have any questions please see Lisa Hisler.

**EVELYN FORSHEE FUNERAL LUNCHEON** - A list of food items needed for Mrs. Forshree's Luncheon have been posted at the Welcome Center. Any help you can provide with this meal will be a blessing!

**EVELYN FORSHEE FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS** - Services will be held at 12th Street Baptist Church on December 8. Visitation at 12pm and services at 1pm. Condolences may be made to the Forshree family on the Joldersma & Klein website at <https://joldersma-klein.com/>.

**ALL VOLUNTEERS & GREETERS** - We will be having a short meeting on December 9th after the Sunday morning service for volunteers within the church or who are greeters on Sunday mornings, also anyone interested in learning how to become involved in church opportunities as they arise. The meeting will be held in the class room behind Carl's office, across from the library.

**UPWARD BASKETBALL** - Early Discount Registration and runs through December 15th. Final day for registration will be December 22. We are in need of scholarship sponsors again this year. If you would like to sponsor a child please see Pastor Stout or Cheryl Campbell.

**UPWARD EVALUATIONS** - We are looking for a few more volunteers to help out with Upward Evaluations this year on December 8th and December 15th from 9a-12p. We currently have 134 children enrolled and anticipate an additional 110 to arrive on the day of registration. Please see Pastor Stout or Mike Kahler.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER** - Please remember to sign up if you will be attending Wednesday night dinner. This weeks menu is Pork Roast, Potato, Corn Casserole and Dessert.

**2019 CHURCH T-SHIRTS** - We are currently taking orders for our 2019 Church T-shirts. There is a table in the Welcome Center with sample size t-shirts to view. If you are interested in next years "free" T-shirts be sure to sign up on the paper at the table. Sizes run from Adult x-small - to Adult 4-xlarge. **Please do not remove the sample t-shirts from the welcome center.**

**CHURCH CLOSING** - On any Wednesday through the winter, if Kalamazoo Christian schools are closed, we will not have Awana or Bible Study and post it by 3pm. Sunday morning we are open if you can safely travel. In the event of a large snow fall, we will post the closing on channel 3 and on our Facebook page.

**LET'S PAINT, TEEN BUDDY PAINTING** - Information in Welcome Center or see Cathy Cline. Great gift idea for ages 13+.

**FOOD PANTRY** - Help others in need. See Krista Asher or Lynn Anderson.

**LAC MEETING** - Tuesday December 4th @ 10am - we will be finalizing our trip to Wings of God on December 13.

**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST** - On Tuesday at 8:30am at McDonald's on 9th Street.

**VISIT** [www.12thstreetbaptist.net](http://www.12thstreetbaptist.net) for sermons, bulletins w/films, events and other updated information. For Members only. Anniversary, birthdays, pictures and business meeting notes on line using the Password: 12thStreet (case sensitive)

Genesis 32:24-30

Why does Jesus allow Jacob to wrestle with Him?

1. God appreciates struggle.

He was wrestling with God not against Him.

2. God hits Jacob while simultaneously holding Him.

3. God was teaching an important lesson.

4. It was not Jacob's strength that wouldn't let Jesus go, it was his faith

Jacob - supplanter, Deceiver

Genesis 25:26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob:

Genesis 25:29-34 - tricked brother out of birthright

Genesis 27 - stole blessing

Israel - Power with God a man

A nation of promise, from which the Savior will come.

How to wrestle with God:

1. Hang on.

1Thessalonians 5:21, Timothy 6:12

2. Be prepared for a demonstration of God's power.

3. Know your reason for wrestling.

4. Be persistent.

Luke 18:2-18

Jacob was the deceiver - he wanted a new identity something better, so he wrestled with God.

Jacob's wrestling was triumphant in his surrender to God's transformation of him.

Jacob was transformed from a deceiver to one who had power with God.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING EVENTS

- AWANA..... 6pm-7:30pm
- YOUTH GROUP..... 6pm-7:30pm
- BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER..... 6pm-7:30pm
- PERISCOPE CLASS..... 6pm-7:30pm
- CRISIS 101 CLASS..... 6pm-7:30pm
- CHOIR PRACTICE..... 7:30pm

### NURSERY

- 2 KRISTA, ALANNA, CALLISTA
- 9 JUDY K, ABBY M, NATE
- 16 TAMI S, JULIE T, CAYLA S
- 23 JESSICA W, TRISH P, LEAH S
- 30 RETHA, AMANDA D, JENNA S

### LAST WEEK

- TITHES & OFFERINGS..... \$ 5,358.75
- BENEVOLENCE-CARPENTRY... 200.00
- MISSIONS-JOINT..... 65.00
- FOOD PANTRY..... 100.00
- CHILDREN'S OFFERING..... 5.50
- COFFEE FELLOWSHIP..... 12.00
- TOTAL..... \$ 5,676.25