

Jeremiah 10:2-5

WHY CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF CHRIST? WHY NOT JUST FOCUS ON HIS DEATH?

1. Important _____

a. _____ Birth *Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:27*

b. _____ *John 10:30, John 5:7*

c. Son of _____ *Matthew 3:17, Matthew 17:5*

d. _____ - anointed One *Matthew 1:16, Matthew 21:9*

2. Proclaimed and celebrated by the _____

a. _____ to Mary and Joseph *Matthew 1:20*

b. _____ to the Shepherds. *Luke 2:8-14*

WHY THE TRADITIONS OTHER THAN SANTA?

1. _____ tree - Sign of _____

2. _____ Giving -

a. _____ the gift to the _____ *Luke 2:11, John 10:10*

b. _____ gave _____ *Matthew 2:11*

3. Peace, Good Will Toward Men.

WHY CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS? Because it leads us to the _____ of Christ

which allows us to _____ the work of Christ.

JUST LIVE IT!

HOLIDAY CHURCH POTLUCK - Today after the morning worship our Christmas Potluck and then we will be decorating the church for Christmas - please stay and join us.

CONGRATULATIONS - Adann and Dacey Markentein on the birth of their daughter Kinsley Mae.

OPERATION GOOD CHEER - For those who signed up to make Christmas Gift Deliveries for Bethany Services this year, there will be a short meeting at the front of the church after the morning service.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PROJECT - December 3rd we will be collecting money for a "Special Christmas Project". We have a family at 12th Street that is in need of assistance this holiday season. Please mark your title envelope as "Christmas Project" and place it in the daily offering. Your help would be appreciated. Any questions see Joel Riseema or Pastor Stout.

LADIES ORNAMENT EXCHANGE DINNER - Will be held at Olive Garden in Portage on Monday, December 4th at 6pm. Sign up sheet is in the Welcome Center. Please keep exchange under ten dollars. Any questions, please contact Lisa Hsler at 271-3718.

ACT LIKE A MAN - 40 Day Challenge, January 13th @ 10pm Ages 17 and up. Sign up in the Welcome Center.

BIBLE STUDY - The Book of Revelation on Tuesday mornings from 11am-1pm

UPWARD BASKETBALL - Registration available on line and in the Welcome Center.

FAMILY FUN & FELLOWSHIP NIGHT - January 14 from 5-7pm. Help us welcome Craig Tourquist, comedian - for a potluck dinner, family fun and games. Meat & drink provided, please bring a side dish to pass.

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

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

MEN'S BASKETBALL - Tuesday at 6:30pm. Join the competitiveness, fellowship and have lots of fun!

LAG MEETING - Tuesday, December 5th 10am

CHOIR PRACTICE - Wednesday 730pm

YOUTH GROUP - Sunday from 5-630pm

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER - Wednesday 630pm

BEFORE AWANA DINNER - This week Sloppy Joes, Potato, Salad, Veggie Tray & Smores. \$4 pp or \$10 per family. Please sign up sheet in the Welcome Center.

AWANA - Wednesday 6-7:30pm

DECEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER -

December 3 Potluck & Church Decorating

December 10 Awkward Family Photo's & Ugly Christmas Sweater Day.

December 17 Children's Christmas Program & White Elephant.

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Nursery

- 3 Barbere, Abby Mack
- 10 Amanda D, Stephanie Amest, Callista
- 17 Asher, Arianna
- 24 Judy Kilburn, Alanna, Nate Thompson
- 31 Tami Spitzner, Trish Pillars, Goldie

Fast Week

Tithes & Offerings	\$ 6,296.69
Benevolence-Carpentry	40.00
Christmas Project / Love Offering. . .	240.00
Coffee & Donuts Fellowship	13.35
Children's Offering	2.77
Total	\$ 6,592.81