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THE STAGE IS SET



For those of you that were able to join us for worship, whether it was in person or on the internet, you know why we have items in the sanctuary that identify with the Peanuts Comic Strip. For those of you that don't know, here's the scoop.

This Advent Season we incorporated a Peanuts character into our Advent theme. Lucy and her psychiatry booth (Hope), Snoopy and his doghouse (Love), Charlie Brown and his zig-zag shirt (Joy) and Linus and his security blanket (Peace). And (of course) Charlie Brown's Tree was part of our worship experience from the start.

The pictures you see above is of all of our Peanuts' items set up, ready for our Christmas Eve service. Not only will the Peanuts' items be a part of our worship experience on Christmas Eve, we are expecting a special guest to speak at the service as well.

I hope each of you will join us for our Christmas Eve service on Friday, December 24 at 5:30pm either in person or on the internet.

If I do not see you before Christmas, I wish each and everyone of you a Very Merry Christmas.

Concerns and Celebrations

Prayers for these individuals as they fight cancer:

C.W. Southers
Erica (Vicki Kaufman's friend)
Sherri Royal's Daughter in Law's Brother, Jacob
Brian Purvis
Gary Grenzke
Ashley Powell
Wylie Brown
Kenny Royal's Sister, Marilyn

Prayers for **the Jones Family (Matt, Tabitha, Addie, and Avery)** as they all have had bouts with COVID.

Prayers for **Chuck Hinton**, who spent some time in the hospital.

Congratulations to **Linda Haynes on becoming a Grandma. Stone Christopher** was born December 3. Mom and baby are doing fine.

Prayers for **Freda Engelhart and Family** on the death of her **sister, Marie Wilson**.

Prayers for **Paula Jones' Mom and Dad** as her dad is in Truman Lake Manor for rehab. This has been a hard transition for all involved.

Prayers for **Debbie Reith's friend Bill Bob O'Neill**. He is fighting COVID.

Prayers for **Charlotte Anderson**. She has COVID.

Prayers for **Tabitha Jones' Dad**. He is fighting COVID. He is home but still needs prayers.

Prayers for **Cheryl Craig**, who had emergency surgery and spent a few days in the hospital.

Prayers for **Tommy Rogers (Mary Laughlin's Brother)**. He is in the hospital with health issues.

Prayers for **friends and family of Traci Julian**. Traci was a waitress at Dietz Restaurant and was a friend to many. She was always great to the AMEN Group. She passed away December 16th.

Prayers for **Amy Bade, Donna Frederich's daughter**. Amy is pregnant and due in March and has COVID.

Prayers for **Tina Wessley**. Tina injured her hand breaking up a dog fight, has tendonitis in her elbow and has been diagnosed with Essential Tremors.

Prayers for all of us as we navigate our way through this COVID pandemic. May God give us wisdom and direction.

Continued prayers for those people named on our Starfish. Pray that God will intervene in their relationship with Jesus. Either by starting it or strengthening it.

Ongoing Concerns

Sharlotte Anderson, June Dehn, Walt Reinhard, Lucy Nilson, Tina Wessley, Phyllis Jones, Kyle Engelhart, Jack and Alice Leisure, Our Church, Our Church Leaders, Our Pastor, Our Community, Our Youth Group, Our Starfish

Shut in Concerns

Kristine Brock

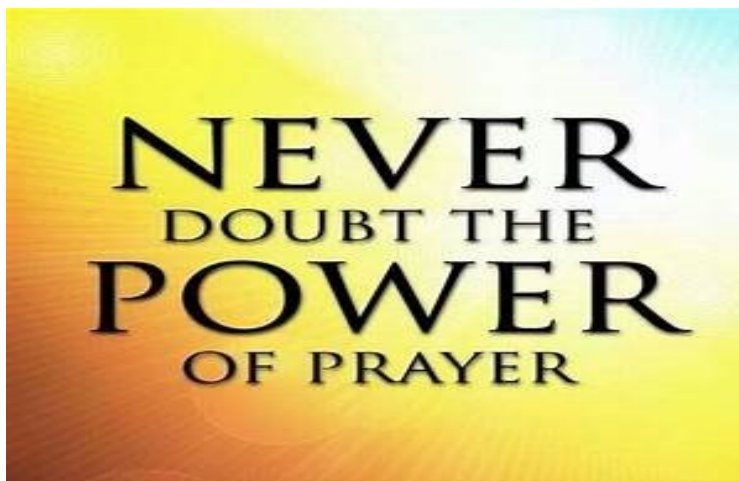
Ridge Crest Nursing Home
 706 S. Mitchell, Warrensburg, MO 64093

Connie McNarron

Clinton Rehabilitation, 1009 East Ohio, Clinton MO 64735

Evelyn Weber

Lincoln Community Care Center, 205 Timberline Drive,
 Lincoln, MO 65338



PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS



If you have a family member, friend or loved one who is serving active duty in the military, please contact the office to have them included in our ongoing prayers. If available, please provide us with a picture and any pertinent information you wish to share, such as: name, relationship to you, family, where they are serving, what capacity they are serving in, etc...

Please keep the following troops in our prayers:

Cesar Gutierrez, Trent Crawford, Dylan Wilson, Dameon Skaggs, Brandon Robertson, Weston Miekley, Gordon Snethen, Cathleen Gutierrez

Birthdays



- 9** Sharon Minich
- 10** Ranae Walrath
- 19** Izabel Pugh
- 26** Freda Engelhart
- 28** Lyle Gladfelter
- 31** Jerry Winburn



Anniversaries

NO ANNIVERSARIES
IN JANUARY



**CHURCH FAMILY MEETINGS
AND GET TOGETHERS**

AFTERNOON PRAYER GROUP
AFTERNOON PRAYER GROUP MEETS EACH WEEK IN THE MIDDLE OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT 2:45pm.

BOARD MEETING
THE BOARD MEETS ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 6:00pm
NEXT MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 10

YOUTH GROUP
YOUTH GROUP FOR 6TH GRADE THRU 12TH GRADE ARE MEETING EVERY OTHER SUNDAY AT 5PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL. THE JANUARY MEETING DATES ARE THE 9TH AND 23RD

AMEN GROUP
THE AMEN GROUP MEETS ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 8:00am AT DIETZ FAMILY RESTAURANT. THE COST OF THE BREAKFAST BUFFET IS \$8 (INCLUDES DRINK) ALL MEN ARE WELCOME. NEXT MEETING IS A WEEK LATER JANUARY 8TH, 2021

ELDERS' MEETING

THE ELDERS MEET ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 5:30pm IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE IN-BETWEENERS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TAUGHT BY BRIAN HETHERINGTON IS ONCE AGAIN MEETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 8:45 AM

READING OF THE BIBLE

ANDY ENGELHART IS LEADING A BIBLE READING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 8:30 AM. ANDY WILL READ A PORTION OF THE BIBLE AND LEAD A QUICK DISCUSSION OF WHAT WAS READ. SHOULD LAST NO MORE THAN 30 MINUTES. COME SUPPORT ANDY IN THIS CALLING

**GAME NIGHTS
AND**

FELLOWSHIP DINNERS
ARE IN FULL SWING AS WELL
CHECK IN THE NEWSLETTER, BULLETIN.
ON FACEBOOK, THE WEBSITE OR
DURING WORSHIP FOR MORE INFO

Nativity Scene makes appearance for the 3rd year



A big "SHOUT OUT" to Bill Martin and Brian Hetherington for assistance in putting up the Nativity Scene this year. Another big "SHOUT OUT" to Dan Wallace and Bill Martin for making sure the 70 mph winds on December 15th didn't blow the Nativity Scene into the next county by laying the figures down for the day.
It takes teamwork to make everything work.

Dear Church Family,

I want to say a HUGE
THANK YOU

for all of the cards, notes and gifts
you have given me this Holiday Season.

Your outpouring of love and caring
you have shown Tina and I during this
Christmas time and the whole year

has been up
and above anything

we could have ever imagined.

We are blessed to be a part of this church
and to be able to call you family.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO YOU ALL

A BIG

THANK YOU

TO ALL OF YOU THAT
HELD OFFICE,

WERE COMMITTEE CHAIRS,
WERE ON A COMMITTEE,
WERE DEACONS AND ELDERS,
WERE WORSHIP LEADERS,

SANG IN THE CHOIR,
PLAYED IN THE BELL CHOIR,
RAN AV AND SOUND,

OR

HELPED IN ANY WAY

IN 2021.

IT COULDN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT

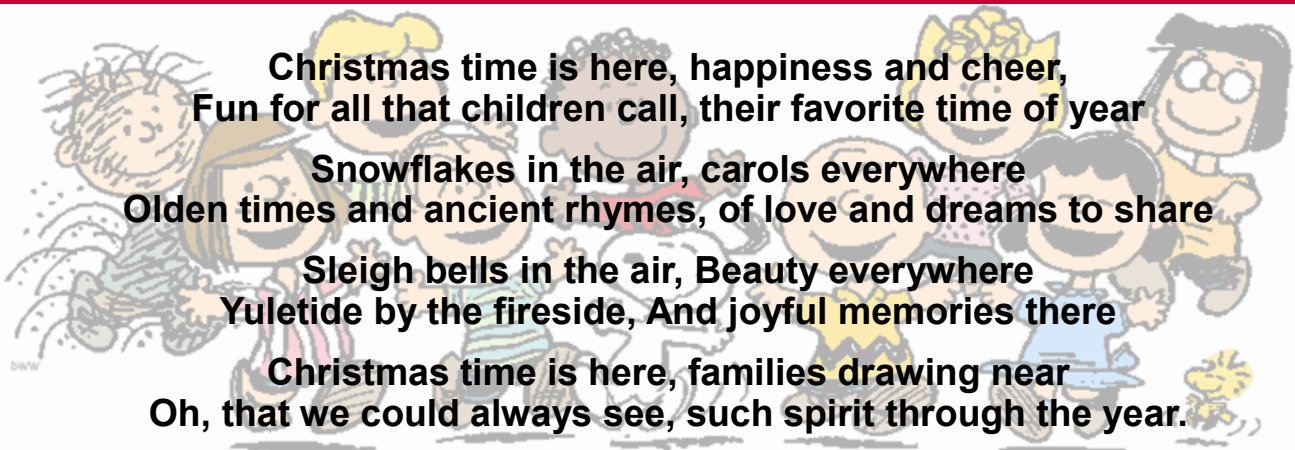
YOU

Christmas time is here, happiness and cheer,
Fun for all that children call, their favorite time of year

Snowflakes in the air, carols everywhere
Olden times and ancient rhymes, of love and dreams to share

Sleigh bells in the air, Beauty everywhere
Yuletide by the fireside, And joyful memories there

Christmas time is here, families drawing near
Oh, that we could always see, such spirit through the year.



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Fellowship Dinners Resume!

The membership committee is excited that we are starting Fellowship Dinners again. The January Fellowship Dinner will be on January 16th after church.

Game Night!

Our next Game Night will be on Friday, January 28th. Dinner starts at 6pm and the games after.

Membership Committee is looking for new members to be a part of planning and organizing these great events. If you are interested, contact Linda DeRemer, who will be the new Chairperson of the Membership Committee for 2022.

**EVERTONE IS WELCOME TO EACH OF THESE EVENTS.
MORE DETAILS TO COME**

CWF News

2021 is coming to a close and boy was 2021 busy. Our money making opportunities accomplished with the help of the congregation. Thank you. Remembering others by making our rummage available to anyone in need. Items no longer needed by one, can assist others survive. A very awesome feeling. Thanks to all making cookies. A big thank you to Annette securing Pam Rickets as the program for the Christmas Brunch. God speed as she leads Anne's Place. Helping support those fighting addiction and domestic violence.

CWF Executive Meeting Monday Feb. 7 @ 10 am. Planning 2022 events, assisting others around us.

Thursday Jan. 20-pie making. 9 am. Come join in.

JOY WILL NOT meet in Jan. Next meeting date Monday Feb. 21 @ 5:15.

Pat

Spreading Christmas Cheer

Last year we started the tradition of writing Christmas Card from the Church to those in care facilities in the area and we continued it for 2021. Does that make it a tradition?

We wanted to make sure those in a care facility receive love from their friends at the Clinton Christian Church. We asked for those that wanted to participate to take a packet of cards, donated by CIS, and write a heartfelt message and sign the cards from the Clinton Christian Church (to assist with confusion of the residents on who the person is sending the card and to not lick the envelopes for 2 reasons, difficulty opening and COVID.)

The goal was 220 cards when the Christmas card drive was announced. By the deadline of December 5 we had 319 completed cards.

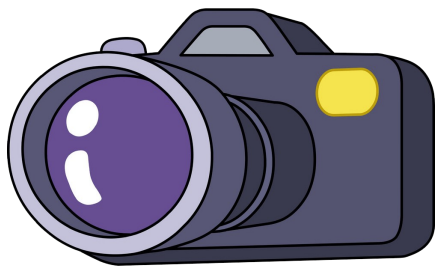
Because of the wonderful participates we were able to deliver Christmas Cards to 8 facilities. This includes 6 in Clinton (The Arbors, Jefferson Gardens, Westwood, Clinton Healthcare, Bristol Manor and Joy Adult Care) plus 1 in Warrensburg and 1 in Lincoln.

Thank you to all that wrote cards and delivered cards to make this such an amazing success.

Not only were the residents appreciative, so were the staff at the facilities and it brought joy to those that wrote cards and those that assisted in delivering cards. We are an amazing Church family!

WORSHIP COMMITTEE DECEMBER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

1. We plan to have some members of the Heartland Chorale join our choir in presenting special Christmas music during the service on December 19th.
2. Thank you to Lisa Wallace for lining up folks to light the Advent Wreath during the season of Advent.
3. Thank you to Becky Culler for the great Christmas decorations in the church to go along with Pastor Tim's "Advent According to Peanuts."
4. Because we still are dealing with COVID-19, we will not have our "Circle in the Sanctuary" again this Christmas Eve. Instead, those folks in the sanctuary will remain in the pews and have the candle-light be passed along each row; and the folks watching electronically will be encouraged to light their own candle and participate remotely during the lighting of the candles. Four members of the committee volunteered to light the candles down the center aisle on Christmas Eve.
5. Becky will contact Pastor Tim regarding where donated blankets for Christmas Eve should be placed.
6. December 26, 2021, and January 2, 2022, are Sundays of Christmas. Therefore, we'll be singing Christmas carols during the services, and the Christmas decorations won't come down until after January 2nd.
7. We'll look into having some kind of celebration and/or community service for the Sunday before Martin Luther King, Jr. day, January 16, 2022.
8. A revised Worship Committee page will be included in the 2022 Church Directory.
9. If you have any suggestions for enriching our worship services, please don't hesitate to contact one of the committee members/coordinators: Jody Anderson, Pat Bouse, Chris Craig, Becky Culler, Carol Hinton, Jim Kindall, Donna Martin, Bree Smith, Elaine VonSpreckelsen, Dan Wallace, or Lisa Wallace.
10. We'd love to have you join us in serving on the Worship Committee. We meet on the first Thursday of each month. Our next meeting will be January 6, 2022, at 4:00 pm.



PICTURE PERFECT

Are you at a church meeting, event or gather? Take some pictures. We would love to have them for sharing in the newsletter, social media, the website and more. Help us spread the word of all the great things this church family does each and every day! We should be proud to share what we do. This could be the reason someone attends and feels at home here or it could encourage someone to do something similar as well.

If you take pictures, you can email them or text them to Christa Atchison, avteam@clintonchristianchurch.com or 660-525-1338. Please include information about what is happening in the pictures, who is hosting it and etc.

CHURCH IN SOCIETY (CIS) REPORT

CIS MET ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 12. SINCE OUR COMMITTEE HAS TAKEN COMPLETE CHARGE OF THE COMMUNITY CAFÉ, WE DECIDED WE NEEDED A SEPARATE CHECKING ACCOUNT. THIS WAS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD AND IT PASSED. THERE WILL BE TWO SIGNATURES ON THE ACCOUNT.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE MANAGER AT WALMART, JANE, WAS APPROACHED AND ASKED IF THEY COULD SUPPLY FRIED CHICKEN TO HELP THE EFFORTS OF COMMUNITY CAFÉ. WALMART IS STEPPING UP AND SUPPLYING 100 PIECES OF CHICKEN QUARTERLY.

IT WAS VOTED TO DONATE \$100 TO THE SALVATION ARMY.



HELPING
OTHERS

WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE GAS VOUCHERS
FOR CLIENTS NEEDING GAS FOR THEIR VEHICLES.



HELPING
OTHERS

WE DONATED \$140 TO THE CLINTON ANIMAL SHELTER. THIS AMOUNT WAS ADDED TO THE CHANGE COLLECTED DURING KIDS4CHANGE MAKING THE ONE MONTH TOTAL DONATED TO CLINTON ANIMAL SHELTER \$300.

WE DISCUSSED GIVING MONEY TO THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST WEEK OF COMPASSION TO GO TOWARD CLEAN-UP OF THE RECENT TORNADO DISASTER. WE ARE PUTTING THIS ON HOLD SO WE CAN GET A BETTER FEEL WHERE EXACTLY THE NEED IS GREATEST.

WE HAVE A SURPLUS OF 10 BICYCLES. IF YOU KNOW ANYONE NEEDING A BIKE, CONTACT ANNETTE MEYERS @ 660-869-8387

BECAUSE OF YOUR GIVING HEARTS WE ARE ABLE TO HELP THOSE LESS FORTUNATE.
THANK YOU

Installation Sunday

Installation of the
2022
Officers and Deacons

January 9th, 2022



We will be installing the 2022 Officers and Deacons during the Worship service on Sunday, January 9th.

All elected 2022 Officers and Deacon please plan on attending this event. The first Board Meeting of 2022 will be the following night, Monday, January 10th.

Children's Church Volunteers Needed

The Christian Education Committee is looking for people to assist with children's church occasionally. Some Sundays we have 10-15 kids and the teachers need some help. Duties include helping kids with crafts, passing out snacks, and helping the primary teacher. Contact Jeanna Thomas.

Weekly Schedule Please check with the leader of your group to see if it is meeting

Sundays

8:30 Bible Reading
8:45 Sunday School
10:15 Worship Service

Mondays

7am Sunrise Prayer
4:30pm Community Cafe

Wednesdays

2:45pm Prayer Group
5:15pm Bell Choir
6:15pm Choir

Church Office Hours

9:00 am till 2:00 pm
Monday through Friday

Saturday, January 15

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

January 2022

Dated Material



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