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Dec 2nd Cissy Atwood & Terri Edwards

Dec 9th Paula Knobloch & Debby Dunkin

Dec 16th Rachel Merrell, Teresa Schane & Alexis Smothermon

Dec 23rd Shirley Marecle & Leigh Veilleux

Dec 30th Ashley Smothermon & Christine McManus

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Weekly Service & Activity Schedule:

SUNDAY

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Services	11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship Services	6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Meal/Wednesday Bible Study.6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Men's Domino "42" Night...... 6:30 pm

<u>Ushers</u>

JOE DANIEL, WESLEY MCMANUS, DAVID CONDRON, HUGO BREITHAUPT

Hostesses/Hosts

BOBBY & DIANN STUTES,
MICHAEL & PEGGY HAMMONDS
SHERI BEAUCHAMP

WHAT'S GOING ON?





NEW COMMANDMENT KIDS (NCK) IN ACTION

Our NCK Mission Team decorated these sparkling Christmas Bells to help spread the Good News of the birth of Jesus. They will be handing them out on December 9th at the Elgin nursing home & around town. What a joyful noise they will make!

Hands-on mission work thru <u>puppet</u>
<u>ministry</u> and crafts to share with nursing
homes, shut-ins, etc. Meeting the 1st and
2nd Sunday of each month
@ 9:30 am



Grades K-12th



JOIN US!

Weekly Events

Wednesday night Bible Study – 6:30 pm

Friday Night Men's "42" Dominos – 6:30 pm

MONTHLY EVENTS

2 nd "Spirit Lifters" Ladies SS Class Christmas Party
9 th
14 th Adult I SS Christmas Party
16 th Churchwide Christmas Program (Sign Up To Be A Part of this Special Program)
25 th Have a very Blessed Christmas
31stWatch Partyinvite someone to watch the new year come in with sweet Christian

fellowship. Bring a game & snacks!



"A joyful heart is good medicine..."

Proverbs 17:22 HCSB

It was a typical noisy dinner at my parents' home, and Dad was having trouble following the conversations. He kept jumping in with off-topic comments and asking for things to be repeated. I finally told him he needed to get a hearing aid.

Looking at me as if I were crazy, he said, "What would I do with a hand grenade?"











December has 31 days, but hopefully our main focus is on that one special day of the month; the day of our Savior's birth. There are many days in December that compete for our loyalty and focus: shopping days, party days, football days....I sometimes wonder what Jesus thinks about how we spend our time during this last month of the year. How much time do we spend celebrating and worshiping the Savior of the world versus the amount of time we spend in other aspects of this special month?

This holiday, like most holidays, are usually spent with family. Jesus Christ was willing to leave the security and joy of His heavenly family to come down to us to offer the gift of salvation to all. He came because He loves us so; after all, we are His family also. He came and spent 33 years with His family on earth in order that we can spend eternity with Jesus and the rest of the heavenly family. That is cause for celebration and worship EVERY DAY!

The church calendar has many activities this month, including Sunday School parties, the churchwide Christmas program on the 16th, and the watch night gathering on the 31st. I hope that many of you will volunteer to be active participants in the Christmas program: music performances, poem readings, testimonies about Christmas in your life, all can be presented. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer of the church.

Your love and assistance for many families in the community make the Christmas season joyful for all. Spread the love and joy of our Savior wherever you go, and prayerfully lift up those of our church family and community who have needs.

Merry Christmas and God's blessings to all,

David L. Atwood

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, goodwill toward men"

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Sheri Beauchamp
9	10	11	12	13 Patti Radford	14	15
16	17	Zane Bostic Mike Schane	19 Kathy Burklund	David Condron Joe Daniel Corbit Fisher	21 Angie & Corbit Fisher	22
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Keeping His Word through Sunday School, Bible Study and Church Attendance/Worship

Adult Sunday School Bible Studies

Dec 2	Isaiah's Prophecy	Isaiah 7:10-14, 9:6-7, 11:1-5
Dec 9	Joseph's Obedience	Matthew 1:18-25
Dec 16	Mary's Trust	Luke 1:26-38
Dec 23	The Angels' Announcement	Luke 2:1-14
Dec 30	Simeon's Proclamation	Luke 2:25-35

Sr. Women's Sunday School Class Topics

Dec 2	Will animals be in Heaven?	Romans 8:20-21
Dec 9	Does anything ever change in Heaven?	2 Cor 5:17
Dec 16	Will we be bored in Heaven?	Eph 3:10
Dec 23	Will we know our Christian friends & Loved ones in Heaven?	1 Thess 4:13-18
Dec 30	Are there marriages & families in Heaven?	Matthew 22:30