***A word from your Pastor…***

***“The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.” Luke 2:20***

***It’s the most wonderful time of the year. We have the decorations put out, the lights strung, and the carols playing at our house. Many festivities come with this time of year: parties, banquets, and parades. While these things are all good, we can lose sight of what this year is all about, Christ. Many people get lost in the hustle and bustle of rushing to the next event or the item on their list. This year may commit to keeping Christ at the center of our Christmas.***

***There is an excellent application from the shepherds and their attitude toward the Savior’s birth. The shepherds did not get distracted by anything else; their sole focus was on Christ. They returned thanks and reported what they had seen and heard. May this be our attitude this year, solely focused on Christ as the center of Christmas. Jesus is the reason for the season, so let him be the center of your season.***

***Have a very Merry Christmas,***

***Bro. Justin***

*A Message from your Music Minister…*

*Christmas is a time filled with the sweet melodies of hope, a  
sentiment that transcends all cultural boundaries to touch the hearts  
of people around the world with the message Immanuel - God with Us.  
The season is imbued with the spirit of generosity, compassion, and  
the belief in a better tomorrow because of this little Christ child  
born in Bethlehem 2000 years ago. The birth of hope in the form of  
this little child serves as a powerful reminder that, even in the  
darkest of times, there is always the potential for light and renewal  
through Jesus, the only hope for this lost world. Receive the gift of  
Hope by asking Jesus to save you today and let the essence of hope  
become a cherished and timeless gift that unites us together as the Bride of Christ.   
  
Come Join us for a time of worship December 10th @ 10:30AM as the PGBC  
Choir presents “Songs of Hope” Christmas cantata during the morning  
service.  
  
God Bless you and Merry Christmas,*

*Bro. Benjy*

***DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS***

***Happy Birthday to You!***

***2 – Rosie Barrett***

***3 – Mary Hopkins***

***8 – Rocky Vaughn***

***9 – Lana Cochran***

***20 – Stephen Cochran***

***20 – Sean Mardis***

***23 – Crystal Ramos***

***27 Lyndsey Lee***

***31 – Kaye Daniels***

***If your Birthday isn’t listed, please contact the Office***

***so we can add your Date of Birth to our system.***

**AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR NOVEMBER**

***Sunday School: 80***

***Wed. Night (Student Ministry/Nursery):***

***Super Seniors: 20***

***Iron Sharp: 10***

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS FOR DECEMBER**

***CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA’S***



**NURSERY** **TODDLER’S CHURCH**

**DECEMBER 3: Heather Thompson**  **DECEMBER 3: Crystal Ramos**

**DECEMBER 10: Carly Spiers DECEMBER 10: CANTATA**

**DECEMBER 17: Janet Guidry DECEMBER 17: Heather Thompson**

**DECEMBER 24: Wendy Hunter DECEMBER 24: Christmas Eve**

**DECEMBER 31: Erica Guidry DECEMBER 31: Wendy Lee**

**COUNTERS**

***DECEMBER 3: Heather Thompson, Sandra Seal***

***DECEMBER 10: Wendy Lee, GeAnna Ladner***

***DECEMBER 17: Lesa Haselmaier, Wendy Hunter***

***DECEMBER 24: Dianne Dusang, Jamie ONeal***

**DECEMBER 31: *Heather Thompson, Sandra Seal***

**Sunday:**

**Fellowship (Coffee & Donuts) – 9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.**

**Morning Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.**

**Evening Worship – 6:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday:**

**Iron Sharp (Men’s Bible Study) 8:00 AM**

**Wednesday:**

**Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 10:00 AM(Adults) and 6:30 PM (All Ages)**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**4– Heaven’s Helpers – 6:30 pm**

**6 – Deacon’s Meeting – 7:30 pm**

**8 – Kid’s Christmas Party – 5:00pm**

**10 – Quarterly Business Meeting – Following Evening Worship Service**

**13 – Shut-In Christmas Baskets – 10:00am**

**13 – IMB Meal at 5:30 pm/Guest Speaker-Austin Holcomb at 6:30 pm**

**14 – Food Pantry at 10am**

**14 – Super Senior Christmas Party 12pm**

**15 – Youth Christmas Party 5:00 pm**

**24 – Christmas Eve Service 10 am (NO Sunday School) Lord’s Supper**

**24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 6 pm /Lord’s Supper**

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**The Chime Newsletter**





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**Jamie ONeal, Church Secretary**

**Crystal Ramos, Financial Secretary**

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| DECEMBER 2023 |

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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|  |  | Iron Sharp  Every Tuesday @ 8:00 am  Text  Description automatically generated with medium confidence | Morning Prayer Meeting  Every Wednesday  @ 10:00 am |  | 1 | 2 |
| 3  6:00 PM  Carols  By Candlelight | 4  6:30 pm  Heaven’s Helpers | 5 | 6  Deacon’s Meeting  Following  Evening Prayer Meeting | 7 | 8  5 PM  Kid’s Christmas Party | 9 |
| 10  10:30 AM  Cantata  Quarterly Bus. Meeting  Following Eve. Worship | 11 | 12 | 13  10:00 am Prayer Meeting  Shut-In Baskets  5:30 pm Soup Meal  6:30 pm IMB Guest Speaker  Austin Holcomb | 14  10 AM Food Pantry  12 pm Super Senior  Christmas Party  In the CAB | 15  5 PM  Youth Christmas Party | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | **21** | 22 | 23 |
| 24  Christmas Eve Services  10:30AM  Lord’s Supper  (No Sunday School)  6:00 PM  Candlelight Service  Lord’s Supper | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |