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#### **MEMORIAL GIFT**

A memorial gift of 12 Bible verses, written in vinyl lettering and placed on select walls and above entryways in the church, is in loving memory of Raymond W. Hipp, Jr.

—Given by Janice Hipp & family.

"To God be the Glory."



### DECEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

During the month of December, we will offer one worship service at 10am so that we can worship together during the season of Advent. Sunday school classes will meet at 9am if they wish. Tuesday Night Service will resume on Jan.

**Dec. 22**: 10am Combined Worship in the sanctuary, 6:30pm Moravian Love Feast

**Dec. 24**: 4:30pm Christmas Eve Service (family oriented) in the sanctuary.

7pm Christmas Eve Service (with nursery) in the sanctuary.

**Dec. 29**: 10am Combined Worship Service in the sanctuary.

#### Men's Prayer Breakfast

Start your day off right and join the men of the church each Wednesday morning from 6:30am-7:30am in Asbury Hall for a time of prayer while enjoying a continental style breakfast. Contact Tim Chandler with any questions-803-360-6226. \*Men will NOT meet until Jan. 8.

#### **BLESSING BOX**

High-need items: instant oatmeal, canned tuna or chicken, snack items, fruit cups, toothpaste, toothbrushes, period care items, cooking oil [small bottles], basic seasonings, and pet food. Contact Heather Connor for any questions or to volunteer to check our cooler on a Saturday. These kids are on a roll caring for our community and sharing the love and compassion of Jesus...won't you join them?

#### **ANGEL TREE MINISTRY**

We wish to thank everyone for their generous support in providing gifts for the children on the Angel Tree. We delivered 58 gifts to the children mostly in Lexington with some in West Columbia and Gaston! We also thank everyone who helped with this wonderful ministry!

#### **SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAMMING**

**The nursery** needs volunteers for the 4:30 pm and 7 pm **Christmas Eve services.** If you are safe sanctuary trained and willing to volunteer at one of these services, please get in touch with Heather Connor.

We need your drink tabs! Children's ministry is joining the Sheperd's Center to collect drink tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Children are invited to bring their tabs to programming on Sunday evenings. Congregational members are invited to join our efforts and are welcome to drop off drink tabs in the box outside of Heather's office.

## WE NEED YOU!







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# **PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHT**

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it." [John 1:5] As lights are present in this holiday season, Let there be a light within our hearts,

As we turn on lights to our trees,

And to our homes,

We express hope for the light of Christ to be more and more evident in our world.

May the light of Jesus presence

Shine in our forgiveness towards others.

May it shine in our expressions of justice and equality to all.

May the light shine in the care we provide for each person.

Let there be light,

In our cities,

In our families,

And in our souls.

God, thank you for providing the light that dispels the darkness.

Amen.

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