



THE LAMPLIGHTER



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“Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews?”

We saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him.” Matthew 2:2

Musings from Pastor Phred

Resolution

In the United States 80% of the population does not attend church regularly while 2% of those who do attend church invite others to church. I sure hope that 2% is very, very busy.

I have a New Year's resolution. Invite someone who has no church family to become a part of our church family. Do not just invite them once and forget about it. Invite them several times. Invite them through the year. Invite them on special Sundays. Invite them to our public suppers. Invite them to our rummage sale. Anytime the doors of the church are open, invite them to be here. Hopefully, by the end of the year they will be at our doors, wondering what is all the excitement.

Why invite people to Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church? Do not keep our lamp under a bushel. Woodruff Grove is a wonderful church!!! Why would you keep this fact from your friends and family who have no church? Be like an old fashion Methodist and get shoutin' happy. Take your shoutin' happiness into the world. Let everyone know there is a wonderful Lord in heaven and you are a member of a

wonderful church. When this becomes our attitude, we will never have enough pews!

See ya' Sunday, with the saints and any stray sinners you pick up along the way, in the Lord's house. Pastor Phred Cain

Administrative Board



The Administrative Board will have their first meeting of 2011 on January 18th at 7pm. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. If you have something that you would like to have put on the agenda, please let our new Administrative Board Chairperson know, Glen Patterson, as soon as possible. Hope to see you there!

Daytime Bible Study



There has been a nice response to the Daytime Bible Study call-out. For those who yet wish to participate, please don't hesitate to let Rosy O'Brian know so that we may have study materials for you.

Thank You!



Many thanks for the cards and thoughtfulness I received this Christmas season. May you have a blessed new year!

Pastor Phred Cain

Choir



Thank you to our Choir and Drama Team! Our 2010 Cantata, "O, Holy Night" was fantastic! A big thank you to our Choir Director, Sandy Ringler and to Choir members: Steph Blake, Donna Henschen, Marty Young, Jeanie Park, Fay Sturtz, Jan Russell, Deb Troyer, Beth Montgomery, Tom Atkins, Bob Russell, Bill Thomas, John Russell and Chuck McKinley. Thank you also to our drama team: Melanie Grossman, Phred Cain, Troy Blake, Jim and Susan Young and Jared Young. Last but hardly least, thanks to our sound man, JR Young!

Prayer Shawl Mission



Prayer Shawl group will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 4th at the church. Remember the prayer shawls are a ministry of the church for you to give to someone in need of God's comfort and love. They may also be used at a time of celebration- new baby, marriage, etc. We will always accept donations of cash, or yarn. (a shawl needs approximately 3 skeins of 6 ozs.) Anyone may join us who knits or crochets or would like to learn.

Jeanie Park

Education Committee



...The Education Committee will have a meeting to plan our 2011 calendar on January 17th at 7pm. This is where we decide what major events and when we will do them in 2011. If you are on this committee, please plan to attend! Your input is very important! Bring your calendars and great ideas!

Worship Committee



...The Worship Committee will meet on January 20th at 7pm to organize our calendar for 2011. We will plan what we will do during our worship time for Special Sundays. Lots of help and ideas are needed. Bring your calendars and great ideas!

Campbell Soup Labels



While you are cooking for all your Christmas dinners - SAVE those Campbell labels (bar code is needed) for Henderson Settlement. Please see Jeanie Park with your questions.



January Birthdays

- 1 Betty Runkle
- 2 Janet Uffelman
- 3 Amy Thompson
- 4 Marilyn Grossman
- 5 Tatum Ritchie
- 8 Zachary Green
Roger Howe
- 9 Brad Ringler
Chris Jordan
Elaine Norris
- 10 John Feters
- 11 Eric Morris
- 12 David Young
- 13 Brian Grossman
- 15 Lisa Morris
John Russell
- 16 Sherron Hagerty
- 17 Phillip Smith
- 18 Zac Young
Troy McNall
- 20 Nicole McKibben
Jared Young
Janet Gerardot
- 21 Justin Morris
Art Hall
- 22 Dave Kilgore
- 26 Justin Abdool
Betty North
- 28 Brandi Morris
Nick Grossman
- 31 Brooke Eberhard
Julee Schrock



January Anniversaries

- 13 Bill & Shirley Thomas
- 18 Gary & Marilyn Grossman
- 19 Jim & Susan Young
- 25 Lloyd & Phyllis Foltz
- 29 Ryan & Michelle Young

Upcoming Rummage Sale

While you're cleaning out your closets remember the plans are in the works for next year's Rummage Sale. **You may start bringing your donations to the back of the fellowship hall! Please contact Jacque Young or Marilynn Grossman if you have any questions.** Stay tuned for the date of our 2011 Rummage Sale!

Reflections

By Ruth Underhill

Scriptures and Sermon Titles January 2011

Sunday, 2 January 2011

Epiphany Sunday

Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6
Matthew 2:1-12
Ephesians 3:1-12

Sermon Title: Your Light Has Come

Sunday, 9 January 2011

First Sunday after the Epiphany
Pastor Phred will be on vacation

Sunday, 16 January 2011

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Scripture: Psalm 40:1-11
Sermon Title: Do You Cry to the Lord?

Sunday, 23 January 2011

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-7
Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon Title: The Kingdom of Heaven Has
Come Near

Sunday, 30 January 2011

Forth Sunday after the Epiphany

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12
Sermon Title: On Being Blessed



A Farmer Went To Heaven

On a quiet winter morning with a little snow outside
And his family all around him that's the day our Daddy died.

He was always so proud of us and he always let us know
Him and momma always loved us and they always told us so.

Just an Indiana Farmer working land that he loved
Raising corn and pigs and children with help from above.

Until his body finally wore out and he was left with love and pride. With his wife and kids all
with him that's the day our Daddy died.

He will never be forgotten as long as we live
Jesus called him home when he had no more to give.

He taught us many lessons they still help us every day
When we had hard questions he and momma showed the way.

Work hard and be honest and uphold the family name
Just a simple Hoosier farmer never looked for any fame

On a sunny winter day with his family all around.
Then a few words by a preacher about a Farmer Heaven Bound.

Brent M. Ringler 2-13-2010
In Memory of Donald Glen Ringler (Dad)
April 13, 1931 - January 29, 2010