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# The Christian Caller

December 2020

When our daughter Faith was a two-year-old leading up to Christmas, she took a big interest in the nativity scene we set up in our living room. She loved looking at baby Jesus in the manger, pointing out Joseph and Mary, and talking about the shepherds and the animals in the stable.

One evening at dinner, when the nativity must have been on her mind, Faith looked over at Kim and said, "Mommy is Jesus." Kim got a rather shocked expression on her face, and apparently not wanting Faith not to confuse her with divinity replied, "That's really nice, Honey. But no, Mommy is just Mommy." Faith was quiet for a second, looked over at me and said, "Daddy's a donkey."

That was the night I hid our nativity scene...

We celebrate Christmas because Jesus is divine. Not us. He's God. We're not. No one on earth ever has been divine except Him. Not even my wife, Kim, saintly as she appears to be.

But Jesus also became fully human - to save humans. He didn't become a dog, a fish, a tree, or even a donkey. He became human to save people like me from my donkey-like ways of sinful stubbornness, waywardness, and foolish disobedience. And He became fully human to save a human like you.

John the Baptist, who heralded the coming of Jesus, had the right idea when he said,

"I'm not the Christ, but I am sent ahead of him." (John

3:28)

And to make it as clear as possible to those who had embraced his preaching, John added:

"He (Jesus) must become greater. I must become less." (John 3:30)

The secret to a great Christmas – and a great life – is this: MORE OF JESUS. LESS OF ME.

Our December message series, "He Will be Called", gets to the heart of this issue by exploring who Jesus is. He's the "Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6:). He's all these things...and MORE!

In Christ,

Matthew Rogers Lead Minister



12/6 WONDERFUL COUNSELOR (9:15 am & 11 am)

12/13 MIGHTY GOD (9:15 am & 11 am)

12/20 EVERLASTING FATHER (9:15 am & 11 am)

12/24 PRINCE OF PEACE (4:30 pm on Christmas Eve)

12/27 JESUS (9:15 am & 11 am)

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Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9 am-1 pm Friday 8 am-12 pm

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Coronavirus victims, families, & vaccine Judy Weidner's family members, health

Brandon Mursen, health Susan Jankovich, health Michelle, health

Peggy Barton, health

Kaelynn & Jaelynn Himes, health

Adam & Carrie, health Barbara Parker, health Charles Spillman, health Betty Spurlock, healing from fall Sandy Lancaster, health Nanette DeGaetano Jordan Amor, health Chris Cassidy, health Donny Jackson, health

Jeremy Blue & family, God's wisdom

Don Corriera, health

Drake Cochran, healing from car accident

Jeff & Nicci Lancaster, health Deb Hunter's friend, surgery

Larry Riley, health

Roger & Judy Middleton, health Fred & Lori Miller, health Joel Zehner & His Family

Kate Wood, health Ruth Baxter, health Bill & Sally Hoy

Lorenzo & Kelsea DeGaetano Jody Blue's ext. family members, health

Dan & Jeanne Beam, health

Danielle Murphy, nurse of Covid 19 patients

SURGERY RECOVERY

Margery Bennett Cathy Folds Rick Hirschy Roger Middleton LONG TERM:

Fran Mohnke & Family Claudia Turner Nancy Derry

Cole, child with rare cancer

Dave Mann

Payton Slaymaker - 9 y.o., cancer

Victoria Montel Christopher Griffin

Christopher Bornes & Family

Delia Navarro Kenneth Moore Martha Hancock Chandler Paul

Our Military Here & Overseas Those who need the Lord Healing for America & the World **OUR HOME MISSIONARIES:** 

Johnson University, Knoxville, TN Great Lakes Christian College, Lansing, MI Lincoln Christian University, Lincoln, IL

Ball State University Campus Ministry, Muncie, IN Purdue University Campus Ministry, Lafayette, IN Woodburn Christian Children's Home, Woodburn, IN

Michiana Christian Service Camp, Niles, MI

Military Chaplains of Chaplaincy Endorsement Comm.

Destiny Rescue, Fort Wayne, IN Our Father's House, Warsaw, IN

Heartline Pregnancy Center, Warsaw, IN Fellowship Missions, Warsaw, IN

Kosciusko County Jail Ministry, Warsaw, IN World Compassion Network, Warsaw, IN

**OVERSEAS MISSIONARIES:** 

David & Philomina Morris, India

T. Lunkim, India

Mark & Helen Begarly, Africa Kevin & Susan Fry, Africa C.Y. & Patricia Kim, Asia lan & Heidi Fry, Africa

#### **ELDER ON CALL**

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#### **DEACON ON CALL FOR SETUP**

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11/1-12/5 Shane Swihart 574-551-9930

12/5-1/2/21 Steve Kasper 574-551-3060 **NOVEMBER** Joe Sanburn 574-267-7548 **DECEMBER** Jack Wulliman 260-402-7283

### **REVOLUTION - YOUTH**

Revolution is FCC's student ministry & is open to grades 7-12.

Revolution meets weekly on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm during the school year.

11/25/20 NO Revolution (Thanksgiving Break)

Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm) 12/2/20 Revolution (6:30-8:00 pm) 12/9/20

12/16/20 Revolution Christmas Party (6:30-8:00 pm)

12/23/20 NO Revolution (Christmas Break) 12/30/20 NO Revolution (Christmas Break)



The best way to stay up-to-date and informed: www.fccwarsaw.com/students or follow us on Facebook: FCCRevolution or Instagram @FCC\_Revolution. Jeremy Welch: jeremy@fccwarsaw.com

### **FCC KIDS**



Questions: lindsey@fccwarsaw.com

### **ATTENDANCE**

October-November 2020 Weekly Averages	
Sunday Morning Worship (Online Views)	230+/-
Sunday Morning Worship (In-person 10/4-11/15)	171
Revolution—Youth Group	19
Sunday School (In-person )	

### **WELCOME**

#### BY BAPTISM & TRANSFER FOR MEMBERSHIP

Beth Przewoznik P.O. Box 581 Mentone, IN 46539 574-328-2308 Larry & Kimberly Hankins 704 N. Harrison St. Warsaw, IN 46580 775-544-0321 / 775-232-2029

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### THANK YOU & MISC.

FCC's Quilting & Quilt Tying group and Yarn Warriors group both donated items to the following event:

"Hello, Because of your generous donation the online auction for childhood cancer awareness was a success! Your support was greatly appreciated. Thank you, Miller's Merry Manor"

Thank you, Rick Hirschy, for all of your help in researching and assisting with Breeze database and online directory for FCC. Your assistance has been so valuable and appreciated this year!

God bless - Jo Albertson, FCC's Office Coordinator

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



May 17-21, 2021, Johnson University, Knoxville, TN. This year's theme: Ocean Quest. See Bulletin Board for further info or Contact Della Swain 574-551-9226. Informatory meeting will be held in January 2021. Watch for further details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Many ways to help Support the Students at Warsaw Community Schools. Contact: kpolston@warsawschools.org



For both 9:15 am and 11:00 am services. If you can help serve God & others through this ministry, please call Church Office at 574-267-8952 or see Linda Haughee.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS Cont'd**

LADIES' LUNCH BUNCH—CANCELLED for December. ?s, contact Sharon Parry 574-267-2215.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY: TUESDAY

NIGHTS at 6:30 pm-8 pm at FCC Rm. 126. "Twelve Women of the Bible: Life Changing Stories for Women Today" by Lysa Terkeurst. ?s or need book, call Beth Knight 574-253-1998.

SISTERS IN HEART (Women's Bible Study) - not meeting until further notice. ?s, contact Susan Brumley 260-901-9337.

YARN WARRIORS: December 2, 1 pm. MANY WAYS to help. NEEDED items: hats, gloves, mittens for children & teenagers AND purple hats for shaken baby awareness. Also, yarn donations accepted. Can't attend meeting, you can still help out. Contact: Jociel Bowling, 517-320-3172.



Ministry Leaders: Your 'ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020' articles are due on January 3, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact Jo at jo@fccwarsaw.com or call Church Office 574-267-8952. Thank you.





BREEZE APP: It's so easy to put the Breeze app on your smart phone. Shop in the app store on your phone for the FREE Breeze app (it has a sailboat on the app icon). Download it and then enter the Church ID of: firstchristianchurch. Enter the user name and password you set up from

the receipt of your email invite to Breeze. If you didn't receive an invite and would like to view the Online Directory, please submit your email address by filling out the Connection Card (in-person or online) OR call the Church Office 574-267-8952. We must have your email in our Database to be able to connect to Breeze.

### **DECEMBER 2020**

SMALL GROUPS meet throughout the week!



**COMING IN January 2021** 

Check out our website at: www.fccwarsaw.com



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study 7 pm Missions Mtg.	2 1 pm Yarn Warriors 6:30 Revolution	7 pm Praise Team.	4	5
6 9:15 & 11:00 am Worship / S.S. 10:15 am the IN-BETWEEN	7 6:30 Elders' Mtg.	8 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study 6:00 Christmas Family Scavenger Hunt	9 6:30 pm Revolution's	10 7 pm Praise Tm.	11	12
13 9:15 & 11:00 am Worship / S.S. 10:15 am THE IN-BETWEEN	14	15 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	6:30 Revolution (Christmas Party)	7 pm Praise Tm.	18	19 8:30am Deacon's Mtg.
20 9:15 & 11:00 am Worship / S.S. 10:15 am THE IN-BETWEEN 12:15 Women's Min.	21	22 10 am Caller info to Jo 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	NO Revolution	24 (Office Closed) 4:30 Christmas Eve Service	25 (Office Closed)  Happy Buthday	26
27 9:15 & 11:00 am Worship / S.S. 10:15 am THE IN-BETWEEN	28 (Office Closed)	29 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	NO Revolution	2020 2021	Due to the Coronavi calendar's in-persor canceled or resched emails, www.facebo & www.fccwarsaw.c	n events may be duled. Check your ook.com/fccwarsaw

### **BIRTHDAYS—DECEMBER**

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1 Dan Decker 1 Zac Miller

2 Dan Woods

3 Terry Bussard

3 Sam Bell

3 Natalie Knight

4 Sullivan Burgess

4 Sybil Gates

9 Katie Anders

10 Kierstin Bullington

12 Deb Blackford

12 Beckett Alcala

13 Lance Bell

14 Dig DeGaetano

14 Sherrie Pressler

16 Velma Baugher

16 Gary Griffin

17 Laila Millendez 17 Jociel Bowling

18 Vanessa Monk

19 Zella Hatfield

19 John Wood

20 Sherri Churchill

21 Greg Hatcher

22 Matthew Sova

23 Mike Montel

23 Sheila Hopkins 24 Tina Bullington

24 Jessica Rodriquez

29 John Ames

29 Kim Rogers

31 Beth Parker

31 Bob Jones

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## **ANNIVERSARIES-DECEMBER**





3 Phil & Sybil Gates 10 Jesse & Lydia Fisher

15 Randall & Ashleigh Hughes

21 Mike & Amie Montel

23 Glen & Susie Crouse 27 Rick & Zona Blackburn

29 Andrew & Heidi Burgess

31 Mark & Lisa Demske



If incorrect info or omission in the Birthdays and/or Anniversaries sections, please write a note of correction and place on the Church Office desk or email the office at: info@fccwarsaw.com. Thank you!