

Messenger

January 2019



Mission Statement

McCutchanville Community Church's mission is to connect our community with God's power and hope through the love of Christ.

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*From the
Pastor*



Why would God do it? Why would God do it this way?

One could ask these questions about Christmas. One could ask these questions about Easter. Both questions seem to flood me after Christmas and after Easter. It's easy to question one's unworthiness in light of God's worthiness. However, Ephesians 2:8,9 gives us God's explanation of His grace, and it is called "*The Gift of God.*"

God's love is a gift. God's grace is a gift. Our role is to accept through forgiveness and allowing the Savior, Jesus Christ to enter into our lives.

In Philippians 2:6-8, Paul summarized Christ entering into our world:

⁶ *Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;*

⁷ *rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.*

⁸ *And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!*

And Max Lucado would summarize what God thinks of all of us in this poem:

If God Had a Refrigerator

If God had a refrigerator, your picture would be on it.

If He had a wallet, your photo would be in it.

He sends you flowers every spring.

He sends you a sunrise every morning.

Whenever you want to talk, He listens.

He can live anywhere in the universe, but He chose...your heart.

[Face it, friend - He is crazy about you!](#)

God didn't promise days without pain, laughter without sorrow, sun without rain, but He did promise strength for the day, comfort for the tears, and light for the way.

So as you begin the New Year of 2019, instead of making resolutions, that are likely gone within a month, be resolute in the knowledge of God's infinite love. Accept, "The Gift of God" Jesus Christ, God with us. Face it, friend - He is crazy about you!

Happy New Year!

Pastor Greg



*2018 was a great year for MCC-we became parents!!
The congregation joined together to sponsor two children
from Haiti.*

Daphnica Noel (bottom) will be 8 years old on June 8.

**Richecarde Charitable Louissant (top) and Daphnica are in
the 2nd grade.**

What is sponsorship by MCC doing for Daphnica Noel and Little Richard?

The money for sponsoring each child pays tuition and fees for schooling for an entire year. One uniform, which is worn 5 days a week, is given to each child.. The children have access to religious training as well as medical care and general guidance while at school.

As a sponsor, we will be collecting things to send Daphnica Nicole and Richecarde. Below are the handwritten letters of the children (French and English) .

Bonyou kòmou ou ye, ou byen e Family ou
siv byen gha pou Bondye.
Mwen menm ak Family mwen byen gwo Bondye
Mesi pouke wap edim Bondye la benin.



Good morning,
this morning, I am very Happy
to write a letter of my sponsor.
How are you? your family? your
activities? for me, I am very well,
I thank you so much. I ask God
Protect you, guide you and bless you.
God bless you !!
Merry christmas and Happy new
year.

Noël Daphnica
Bonyou ou Bonzile
jodia, mwen koton pou
di mesi pou tout sa
ou fe pou mwen.
Ke Bondye Beni
mesi mesi onpil



Good Morning!!!
To day I Feel So happy To send you
That letter, to thank you so much
For All you do for me,
May God Bless you!!!
Thank you so much!!!
Merry Christmas!!!



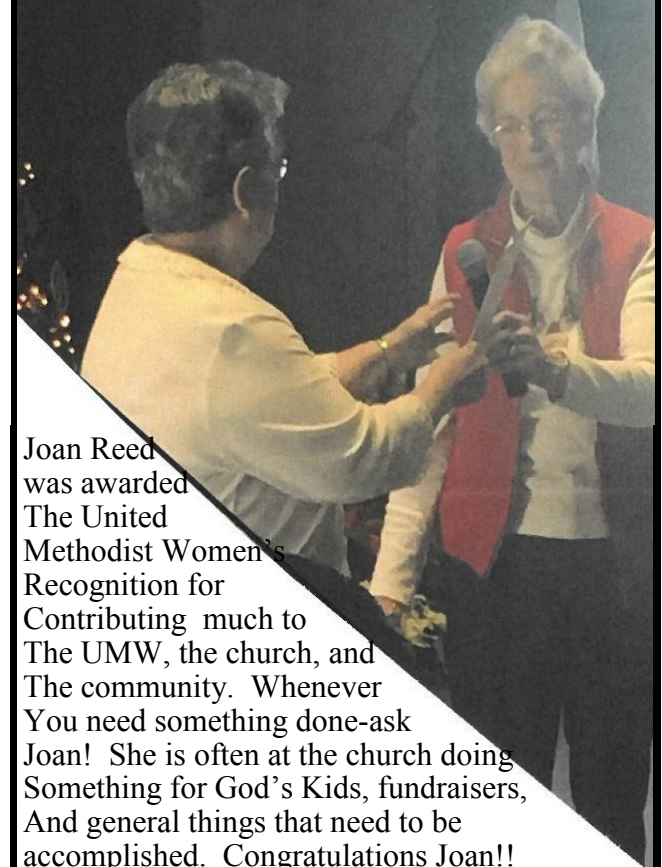
Birthdays This Month

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Betty Gentry | 2 |
| Sue Harris | 3 |
| Jenny Taylor | 4 |
| Curtis Kinney | 5 |
| Gabe Dzienny | 9 |
| Liz Miller | 12 |
| Sara Dixon | 17 |
| Debbie Lovell | 17 |
| Nicole Venema | 22 |
| Sharon Hendricks | 24 |
| Mary Lou Ellis | 28 |
| Jon Shoptaugh | 30 |



Frank & Betty Gentry 21
Gene & Nancy Glackman 27

Josette Higgins recognizing Joan Read as the 2018 UMW recipient



Joan Reed was awarded The United Methodist Women's Recognition for Contributing much to The UMW, the church, and The community. Whenever You need something done-ask Joan! She is often at the church doing Something for God's Kids, fundraisers, And general things that need to be accomplished. Congratulations Joan!!



Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests: Curtis Kinney, Jim Smith, Gary Sprinkle, Stella Hettenbach, Victor Doty, Kathlene Carter, Amy Dubber, Joy Roettger, David and Sara Dixon, Marie Pickett, Our Haitian children: Daphnica Noel and Richecarde Charitable Louissant, MCCutchanville Firefighters, The homeless population, God's Kids.

*Do you have a prayer request you would like listed in the Messenger?
Please contact the church office.*



Congratulations



Congratulations to Vera McCutchang and Marla and Ron Gross. Baby Baylen Jack Clark arrived December 23, 2018 weighing in at 5lb 15oz, 20 inches long. He is the grandson of Marla and Ron & the great grandson of Vera. Baylen and family reside in Indianapolis.



Congratulations to Stella Vennard Hettenbach on the birth of her great grandson. Lucas Stephen Later arrived December 28, 2018 weighing 7lb 14oz and is 22 inches long.

Lucas and family reside in Vincennes.

Christmas Eve Service at McJohnston Chapel was a very Special, Reflective service.



BELOW: Jennifer Harwood began the service with "Mary Did You Know?" on her violin.



ABOVE: Cory Mills and his sons David (Washington DC) and Stephen (Nashville) gifted the congregation with "Little Drummer Boy".

BELOW: Shiloh Abner blessed us with a solo "O Holy



Annelle Mills always makes the service extra special with her organ music.



Ushers for the Upcoming Months

2018

- January Gary Sprinkle
Martha Lease
- February Larry & Cherissa Williams
Jane & Jerry Bennett
Josette Higgins
Michael Barnett
- March Betty & Frank Gentry
Helen Finke
Jennifer Harwood
- April Roger & Alice Campbell
Joe Haseman
Keith Kinney
Kent Bruuress

December 2018 Attendance and Giving

| | Att. | Building Fund | General Fund | Internet Giving | Mission (Advent Cans) | Food Pantry | Missions Haiti | Total Checking Deposit |
|-------------|------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------|------------------------|
| December 2 | 86 | \$1,255.00 | \$2,175.00 | \$100.00 | \$11.27 | \$25.00 | \$346.00 | \$3,912.27 |
| December 9 | 103 | \$8235.00 | 3,143.00 | \$390.00 | \$286.62 | | | \$12,054.62 |
| December 16 | 89 | \$975.00 | \$1642.00 | \$100.00 | \$47.95 | | | \$2,764.95 |
| December 23 | 87 | \$11,160.00 | \$2,702.00 | \$100.00 | \$100.30 | | | \$14,062.30 |
| December 30 | 69 | \$1,240.00 | \$2,025.00 | \$100.00 | \$91.00 | | \$63.00 | \$3,519.00 |



GOD'S KIDS reporting

Happy Birthday!

We want to wish a very Happy Birthday to our January Birthday children: Aleena (5), Max (7), Jimma (25), and Rowan (27).

The gym floor was stripped and re-waxed over the Christmas Break. The process took two full weeks but just look at the shine now! The children will certainly enjoy the clean gym during the long, cold, snowy months ahead!



Just take a look at that shine!
Not only is the gym used almost daily by God's Kids, the gym is rented frequently to members of our community.



The God's Kids staff and students wish you a very Happy New Year!



God's Kids will be reopening on January 3 for the New Year. MCC prays 2019 will be the Best Ever for the youngsters!





January

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|---|
| December 30 Communion 1:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved | December 31 6:30 Fellowship Hall Reserved | January 1  | 2 5:30pm Gym Reserved | 3 God's Kids resumes 3:00 pm Gym Reserved 6:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved | 4 | 5 |
| 6  Epiphany Feast of the Three Kings | 7 5:30 pm-Gym Reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Rm 206 6:30 Fellowship Hall Reserved | 8 10:30 am Pastor Greg&Teresa Chapel with God's Kids | 9 3:30 Rm 206 Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Choir resumes 6:30 pm Gym Reserved | 10 3:00 pm Gym Reserved 6:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:00 pm Trustee Meeting | 11 | 12 10:00 am Gym Reserved Landley |
| 13 2:30pm GS Gym Reserved 4:00pm GS Fellowship Hall Reserved | 14 5:30 pm-Gym Reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Rm 206 6:30 Fellowship Hall Reserved | 15 10:30 am Pastor Greg&Teresa Chapel with God's Kids | 16 3:30 Rm 206 Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Gym Reserved | 17 3:00 pm Gym Reserved 6:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:00 pm Ad/Fin Council | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 5:30 pm-Gym Reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Rm 206 6:30 Fellowship Hall Reserved | 22 10:30 am Pastor Greg&Teresa Chapel with God's Kids 1:00 pm UMW Conference Room | 23 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Gym Reserved | 24 3:00 pm Gym Reserved 6:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved | 25 | 26 |
| 27 2:30 GS Gym Reserved | 28 5:30 pm-Gym Reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Rm 206 6:30 Fellowship Hall Reserved | 29 10:30 am Pastor Greg&Teresa Chapel with God's Kids | 30 3:30 Rm 206 Girl Scouts 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Gym Reserved | 31 6:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved | February 1 2:00pm Fellowship Hall reserved | February 2 |
| February 3 Communion | February 4 5:30 pm-Gym Reserved 6:00 pm Girl Scouts Rm 206 6:30 Fellowship Hall Reserved | February 5 10:30 am Pastor Greg&Teresa Chapel with God's Kids | February 6 6:30 pm Choir 6:30 pm Gym Reserved | February 7 6:30pm Fellowship Hall Reserved | February 8 | February 9 |