

Paynesville Christian Church Epistle

JOE'S JOURNAL

This season - -through Thanksgiving and Christmas – is a great time to think of the blessings that have come to us because of the birth of our savior, and to be thankful for all Christ has done for us. Jesus Christ is at the very center of all the good that God has bestowed on mankind and on us individually.

Mark Moore, in his introduction to the book “The Chronological Life of Christ” shares this with us: “Who is Jesus? Who is he, really? You know he’s no politician. But he still will kisses babies and transforms nations. He is no social activist. But he is the genesis of who knows how many hospitals, orphanages, and innumerable acts of kindness. He’s certainly not an entertainer. But whose daytime is more crowded? A psychologist. Hardly. But how many of us Humpty Dumpties has he put back together again? This peasant carpenter has built himself a kingdom immeasurably greater than his earthly enemies could ever have imagined”

The apostle Peter expressed it best when Jesus asked his disciple, “Who do you say I am?” Simon Peter answered, “you are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And today, Jesus Christ is the only one to whom we can turn to provide meaning in life, hope in death, and an eternity in heaven. We’ll look for you when we meet to worship our risen Lord on Sunday.

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spirituals songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And, whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” Colossians 3:15-17.

“Therefore, Brethren, hold steadfast the tradition which you were taught, by word and our Epistle.”

II Thessalonians 2:13

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YOUTH COLUMN:

The movie was shown on November 14. Josh had a brief devotional and the show began. Loren and Debbie Bair were the technicians. Jonita Hardy was the pizza deliverer for intermission. Josh has Junior Church each Lord’s Day during the worship hour. Bring your children, grandchildren, and neighborhood children to learn about the Lord.

MISSIONS- The target mission for the fifth Sunday in November will be, MICO, Don Todd’s ministry in Memphis, TN. Mr. Todd will be speaking during the morning worship on January 10. He usually treats the congregation with a brief vocal concert.

The Christmas Love donation in December will be given to Mark Layman’s ministry, Global Witness. This offering will be for the month of December. It is usually taken during Bible Study but all can contribute by contacting any of the leaders.

VETERANS HONORED

On November 8th, Loren and Debbie Bair prepared a visual and audio presentation which honored those men of the congregation who had served in the armed forces. It was very impressive and gave homage to them as they stood during their corps’ song

CONGRATULATIONS TO: JOYCE AND



LARRY ALDRIDGE FOR 42 YEARS OF MARRIAGE; JANICE AND DOUG STANLEY, 49 YEARS

The two couples are our most recent donors to the church bank in accordance with the number of years married. The money is donated to CRADLE which is a charity helping young mothers and their infants.

“LOVE ONE ANOTHER DEEPLY, FROM THE HEART” I Peter 1:22

MOVIN' ON

Joyce Lanham is up dating the current address folder. If you wish to have your name published, please contact her soon. A new computer will need to be ordered as the present one has failed. Loren and Debbie Bair gave training lessons to Joyce Lanham and Lee Smith on the operation of the computer system. Lanham and Smith successfully completed the training sessions and we all enjoyed Thanksgiving visuals on November 22. We thank the two of them for helping. Repairs have been made to the windows but will need more work in the spring. Josh Hicks is planning an attendance reward system for the youth.

SYMPATHY is extended to the following families: Larry Oberfelt, Larry Meadows, Phyllis Taylor, June Gray. Leroy Harsin, Gary Graves, Robert Rea.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

A program with emphasis on the giving of thanks was the focus on November 22nd. Linda Sutherland and Janice Stanley gave readings. Bro Joe's sermon title was "Thanksgiving in Troubled Times". The hymns were either patriotic or of thankfulness

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THANK YOU

October 11, the congregation acknowledged minister appreciation month. Gifts were given to Bro Joe and Velma and to Josh Hicks for their many contributions to the congregation and the Lord's work. They in turn, thanked the members for the gracious offerings.

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH
HAPPENINGS AT PAYNESVILLE
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible Study
9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am

Sunday, December 6 Fellowship dinner following services.

Sunday, December 20, Nativity Presentation during morning worship. Children needed for this program.

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 7 pm

Candlelight
Services

PCC Connections
Bro Joe McKay, PO Box 157,
Henryville, In 47126, phone
812.294.4891
Website: www.paynesvillechristianchurch.com

FROM THE CORNERSTONE:

Taken from the New Washington Courier, "December 8, 1911: During the Thanksgiving Services the Payneville Christian Church caught fire from a defective flue and was considerably damaged." It was told by those present that one elder climbed the ladder and put out the fire as he said that he had too much in this building to let it burn down.

November, 1972

The first Thanksgiving Dinner was held for the ladies in the community in the new annex, which was not furnished. The ladies invited were primarily those who were widowed and a senior citizen. The dinner and quilt show continued until 2007.

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President
Abraham
Lincoln,

despite the political and personal malaise around him, determined to set aside the last Thursday of November as a day of National Thanksgiving.

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"From the Rising of the Sun to its going down, The Lord's name is to be praised."

Psalm 113:5

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