

# The Messenger

#### **JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021**

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# **2021 IS THE TIME FOR A NEW BEGINNING**

It is not debatable; 2020 has been a year of constant change for all of us. The COVID-19 crisis alone with all of the unknown variables that have come with it has, if not paralyzed us, undeniably altered our stability. The fallout from 2020 continues, in many cases, to be overwhelming to the economy, healthcare, education, and will have a rippling effect on all aspects of society. Some of these problems will be with us for longer than expected, but as Christians challenges are not something we run from. Our history proves that our greatest moments of success and growth have come in response to such challenges. As Christians, we have faced pandemics, economic fallout, wars and many unexpected occurrences in the past, and have found our strength in faith. After hard times, in the end we have come out stronger and more faithful. History also reminds us that it is in unity that we gain our greatest accomplishments.

It may seem that we are ending 2020 in desperation. THE COVID-19 crisis still plagues us; we are feeling the burden of the economic fallout; our spirits are low, and we are exhausted by the many challenges of 2020. We have a division that has forced a wedge in every aspect of our society – a two-sided society which refuses to compromise. Families and friends have distanced themselves from each other, the racial divide has escalated and the disparity in socio-economic classes continue to grow causing wider gaps in education, culture, unemployment, housing and even medical care.

With all of this said, we must look ahead to 2021 with a renewed spirit of hope. With a vaccine for COVID-19 becoming available, people should be able to get back to work; the economy will improve; our children will return to school; churches will again be fully open; and life will begin to look somewhat familiar. None of this will be possible without a national effort of understanding and compromise. As in the past, we must come together to become stronger and better. Progress for one must be progress for all and progress is neither on the left nor the right; it lies in the middle of the road. Let us not let our differences defeat us, but elevate us to new levels of our Lord's Peace and Understanding. The New Year, 2021, should be a time of new beginnings for all us in many facets of our lives. Let us make it the year we all rise up and serve the Lord in an exciting way. I look forward to being your new Interim Senior Pastor as we enter this new season together!!!

Pastor Dan

# **NEWS FROM THE FAMILY OF FAITH**



# In Memory Of

# Jane Wagner

Memorial	Jack Dagg
Memorial	T. Jean Piatt
Memorial	Paula M. Polochak
Memorial	George & Mary Alice Jones
Memorial	Connie Hornickel
Memorial	William & Lois Bracey, III
Memorial	John & Marian Keisling
Memorial	Harry & Cathy McConnell
Missions	Bill & Betty Braun

# **FUNERALS**

**Tim Grantz** died on Sunday, January 10, 2021. A funeral was held on Friday, January 15th, 2021, at Piatt and Barnhill Funeral Home with Reverend Scott Shetter officiating. Interment was at the Washington Cemetery.

**Charles "Chuck" Bowen** died on Monday, January 11, 2021. Due to current restrictions for the COVID-19 pandemic, a memorial service will be held at a later date, at the discretion of the family.



## JANUARY-FEBRUARY NOTE FROM PASTOR SCOTT

#### Dear Friends,

It is a new year and time for renewed optimism. The first Sunday of the year is Epiphany. It is the Sunday we celebrate that God had revealed Himself to the world. God has revealed Himself to us many times over the previous year and has much in store for us this coming year.

God reveals Himself in many ways. One way He has done that is through the addition of our Interim Senior Pastor. The Rev. Dr. Dan Merry is someone who you will really enjoy getting to know and who is well equipped to help us get to our next called Senior Pastor. As He did last year, God will continue to reveal Himself to us through the ministries He draws us into in His service. He will keep providing what we need and stretch us and grow us along the way.

He is faithful, and we will see that this year as God reveals Himself to us through the Lenten season that will arrive in a very few short weeks. We will prepare our hearts to receive the Son of God who was willing to pay the price of our redemption. We will meet the God who conquers death and invites us into eternal life.

We will continue to pray that the worst is behind us and wait on God and His faithfulness, revealing Him to us and drawing us closer to Him.

In Christ's service, Pastor Scott



#### **TUESDAY NIGHT SPEAKER SERIES**

Mark your calendars! The next Tuesday night speaker series is coming very soon. Watch for more information in upcoming bulletins and newsletters.

**DEADLINE FOR THE March MESSENGER is February 15th.** 

Schedule

# **JANUARY PREACHING AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

January 3, 2021 (Communion)

Sermon Title: CHOOSE YOUR SEARCH PARTY

Preaching: Pastor Scott

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-2, 7-12, 16-18

Focal Verse: "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." v. 2.

Synopsis: There are two search parties sent out in this passage. One searched to worship the child, the other searched to destroy Him. As we enter the new year, are we in the search party seeking to worship the King?



Sermon Title: WHAT/WHO THE HECK IS AN INTERIM PASTOR?

Preaching: Dr. Daniel Merry Scripture: Genesis 1:1;27-2:3

Focal Verse: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." v. 1.

Synopsis: Meet your new Interim Pastor. Hear some of his journey. Listen to what he sees as his

call as the Interim Pastor of The Church of the Covenant.

January 17, 2021 (Installation/Ordination of Officers)

Sermon Title: POINTERS FOR A PERSONAL PRAYER LIFE...

Preaching: Pastor Dan
Scripture: Luke 11:1-13

Focal Verse: "Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled

among us." v. 1

Synopsis: Prayer is such an important part of the life of a Christian. With that said, most of us struggle with our prayer life. What can we do to make our communication better with the Lord of

Creation?

January 24, 2021 (Congregational Meeting)
Sermon Title: SEEDS SOLD HERE...

Preaching: Pastor Dan

Scripture: Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23

Focal Verse: "This is why I speak to them in parables: "Though seeing, they do not see; though

hearing, they do not hear or understand." v. 13

Synopsis: We will take a look at the Parable of the Seed and struggle with the question of what

kind of ground are we offering to the Lord.

Special Notes: We have our annual Congregational Meeting at Noon in the Covenant Center to hear reports of what has been accomplished and what the Lord has provided for 2021.

**January 31, 2021** 

Sermon Title: IS IT TIME TO DO SOME WATER WALKING?

Preaching: Pastor Dan

Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33

Focal Verse: "'Come,' He said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came

toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried

out, 'Lord, save me!'" vv. 29-30.

Synopsis: The Lord is not looking for people who talks the talk. The Lord is looking for people who will walk the walk. That is not easy to do at any point in life. How does one move from being a person of talk to a person of action?



# FEBRUARY PREACHING AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

February 7, 2021 (Communion)

Sermon Title: YOU CAN DRESS THEM UP...

Preaching: Pastor Dan
Scripture: Romans 12:1-8

Focal Verse: "Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual

act of worship." v. 1.

Synopsis: We live lives that are very compartmentalized. How do we break out of that mold and move away from being self-centered to being community-centered?

February 14, 2021

Sermon Title: **PERSISTENT PURSUIT** 

Preaching: Pastor Scott
Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Focal Verse: "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." v. 2.

Synopsis: No matter the circumstances, God never leaves us. It is we who break of the pursuit. Elisha's persistence in following Elijah is an example to us of how persistent our pursuit of Jesus ought to be.

February 17, 2021 (Communion) (Ash Wednesday)

Sermon Title: TBD
Preaching: Pastor Dan
Scripture: TBD
Focal Verse: TBD
Synopsis: TBD

Special Notes: This service will be held in the Sanctuary at 10 AM.

February 21, 2021 (First Sunday, Lent)

Sermon Title: "Face to face with the tempter..."

Preaching: Pastor Dan Scripture: Mark 1:9-15

Focal Verse: "At once the Spirit sent him out into the desert and he was in the desert forty days being tempted

by Satan." v. 12

Synopsis: Temptation is a reality in our lives. Temptation slips up on us before we realize its

seriousness. Temptation is addictive, even when it ceases being enjoyable, we find ourselves in its snare.

February 28, 2021 (Second Sunday, Lent)

Sermon Title: "ADVENTURE...great at any age!"

Preaching: Pastor Dan
Scripture: Romans 4: 13-25

Focal Verse: "It is not through law that Abraham and his offspring receive the promise

that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that

comes by faith." v. 13

Synopsis: The wages of sin is death, but new life awaits all those who believe in Christ. Faith is simply a matter of trust. Faith is simply a matter of accepting God's grace. Faith is simply a matter of allowing Christ to make a critical difference in your life.

# **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS**



Busy! Busy!! Busy!!

We have been busy little preschool bees! We have been learning about "Following the Star" into Bethlehem as the Wise Men did. The preschoolers strung cheerios to hang outside to feed the birds,

ate a few themselves so they aren't hungry either, and continue to talk about God's creations. The M-W- and Friday classes along with the Transition class had a fun time dressing crazily for "Wacky Wednesday". Some kiddos wore their clothes backwards, inside out, or what every their definition of being dressed crazily may have been. The teachers participated as well. Picture that one! The Tuesday and Thursday classes wore their pj's to school and we snacked on pop tarts. So it was known as PJ's and Pop Tart day! Both days-we all had fun and created lasting memories.



#### February theme is "Loving One Another"

We also have registration for the 2021/2022 school year in the beginning of February. Please spread the word about our preschool. Any information that is needed can be obtained by calling Camille at

724-222-0190 ext.121 or refer to the Preschool's website. We appreciate your help and prayers.

Love, Miss Camille



# ONLINE YOUTH GATHERINGS

Wednesdays 7pm on Zoom
Middle and High School Students

If you would like more information on our youth group or a Zoom link please contact Miss Yvonne at yvonnegayle20@gmail.com





# **NEW PARENT RESOURCE**

Cues you to have simple and meaningful faith-moments with your kids that will fit seamlessly into the daily rhythm of your life.

Our lives are busy. As parents, we want to prioritize our children. We want to do everything we can to invest in them relationally, to guide them developmentally, and to help them grow in their faith in Christ. But it's just so easy to get caught up in the urgent day-to-day business of life.

Every parent has 936 weeks of influence from the time their child is born until they graduate. Parent Cue helps you count the weeks and connects you with practical things to read, do, or say to help you engage with the heart of your child this week. Designed for parents of babies through high schoolers, these prompts will come in the form of videos and things to talk about in the morning, at mealtime, or while you are cuddling with your toddler or driving in the car. Each week there's even a Phase Cue to help you understand the developmental phase your child is in today. Also, the weekly Bible Lessons they are learning at The Church of the Covenant are included in the app.

**Download the Parent Cue App Today!** 



Shout out to all the leaders who helped with Jingle Jam. We had 24 kids participate. Each night was packed with a

lot of fun, music, crafts and Advent lessons. Thank you for celebrating advent with us on zoom!

Online Sunday School
Bible Lessons, Worship
Songs
& Activities
10:05 to 10:45 am on
Zoom
Ages 4 to 11
Email Miss Yvonne

Ages 4 to 11
Email Miss Yvonne
at yvonnegayle20@gmail.com for the link



# PARISH NURSE CORNER

Grief Counseling

Support is available to you and your family from Concordia Hospice of Washington, affiliated with Washington Health System. Grief counseling is provided in both group and 1:1 formats and is <u>free of charge</u>. If you or a loved one can benefit from this service, please call 724-250-4500 and ask to speak to the bereavement coordinator. Any questions? Please contact me at 724-263-7911. Good health to all, Linda Grimm RN, Parish Nurse.



# **FELLOWSHIP OF CONCERN**

For prayer support or to join this ministry, call the church office. Please contact the Fellowship of Concern to give the names of those who are in need of prayer for health or other reasons. The names will then be called or emailed to the church members who pray daily for others. Prayer request cards are available in each pew. Completed forms may be placed in the offering basket.

# WORD FROM THE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE (PNC)

In early February, the PNC will ask for your direct assistance in our search for the new pastor. Members of The Church of the Covenant will be asked to make direct input into the pastor search process through a simple, but comprehensive survey. While we can't gather face-to-face as a church family to provide input to the PNC, you still will be able to voice your opinions, ideas, and hopes for the new pastor and for our church's future.

Details on the survey to follow shortly by separate mail correspondence.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES**

Greetings from the office  $\sim$  or should I say offices! There have been some changes to the communication and administrative work of the church. The job description and responsibilities of the Church Administrator and Administrative Assistant have been revised. Pat Sanders, our Administrative Assistant, will taking care of most clerical duties such as the bulletin, the newsletter, and communications by mail. My responsibilities, as Church Administrator, will be more focused on administration of communications and areas of finance. Pat is still located in the office on the first floor with the same phone extension  $(724)222-0190 \times 112$ ) and email address

## churchoftheco@comcast.net.

My office is now located on the second floor in the office suite to the far right (204D). My new extension is (724)222 -0190 x 111 and new email address debiatcovenant@gmail.com. During this time of transition Pat and I are working together to make sure nothing slips through the cracks. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact one of us. The church office remains open from 9:00am-3:00pm. Pat is in the office weekdays from 11:00am-3:00pm. My hours remain the same. Again, please let us know if you have questions or concerns.

Blessings, Debi

## **COMMUNION STEWARD NEEDED**

The Worship & Music Committee would like to express our sincere appreciation to Fred and Cathie Boni for their 12 years of service as our communion stewards. We are grateful for the time you have freely given to the Church of the Covenant in this service and your dedication and diligence in assuring that we have been able to commune together each month. Thank you and God Bless. This also means that the Church is now in need of new communion stewards. This would require having the communion elements set up and ready to be served for each of the three services, and clean up afterwards, on the first Sunday of each month and other special services. Becky McClelland, one of our new members from the most recent class, is willing to take on this responsibility. However, we also need someone to schedule the various Elders and Deacons to serve at the various services, once we are back up and running with normal services. Would you prayerfully consider entering this field of service to the Church of the Covenant and contact Joyce Camlin at 724-228-1367 if you would be willing to serve.

# **DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JANUARY**

Friday, January 1	Satur
Gen. 17:1–12a, 15–16	Isa. 63
Col. 2:6–12	Rev. 2
John 16:23b-30	John 5
Saturday, January 2	Sunda
Gen. 12:1–7	Isa. 40
Heb. 11:1–12	Heb. 1
John 6:35-42, 48-51	John 1
Sunday, January 3	Mond
Deut. 33:1–5	Isa. 40
1 John 2:12–17	Eph. 1
John 6:41–47	Mark
Monday, January 4	Tueso
Exod. 3:1–5	Isa. 40
Heb. 11:23–31	Eph. 1
John 14:6–14	Mark
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Isa, 63:1–5
Rev. 2:18–29
John 5:1–15
Sunday, January 10
Isa. 40:1–11
Heb. 1:1–12
John 1:1–7,19–20, 29–34
Monday, January 11
Isa. 40:12–24
Eph. 1:1–14
Mark 1:1–13
Tuesday, January 12
Isa. 40:25–31
Eph. 1:15–23
Mark 1:14–28
Wednesday, January 13
Isa. 41:1–16
Eph. 2:1–10
Mark 1:29-45
Thursday, January 14
Isa. 41:17–29
Eph. 2:11–22
Mark 2:1–12
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Isa. 42:(1–9) 10–17 Eph. 3:1–13 Mark 2:13–22 <b>Saturday, January 16</b>

Sunday, January 17
Isa. 43:14–44:5
Heb. 6:17–7:10
John 4:27–42
Monday, January 18
Isa. 44:6–8, 21–23
Eph. 4:1–16
Mark 3:7–19a
Tuesday, January 19
Isa. 44:9–20
Eph. 4:17–32
Mark 3:19b–35
Wednesday, January 2 Isa. 44:24–45:7
Eph. 5:1–14
Mark 4:1–20
Thursday, January 21
Isa. 45:5–17
Eph. 5:15–33
Mark 4:21–34
Friday, January 22
Isa. 45:18–25
Eph. 6:1–9
Mark 4:35–41
Saturday, January 23
Isa. 46:1–13
Eph. 6:10–24
Mark 5:1-20
Sunday, January 24
Isa. 47:1–15
Heb. 10:19-31
John 5:2–18





**Austin Armstrong** 

# **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Dr. George Jones	Jan 1	Bob Wichterman	Jan 8	Joseph Losko Jr.	Jan 17	Katelyn Nassar	Jan 22
Dolores Hardy	Jan 1	Shannon Buri	Jan 8	Maryann Lindsay	Jan 18	Jean Phelan	Jan 23
Sarah Core	Jan 1	Justin Butera	Jan 9	Ellen Wilson	Jan 18	Judith DiGiovanni	Jan 24
Tara M. Dyer	Jan 1	David Warne	Jan 9	Andrew McIlvaine	Jan 18	Keith Johnson	Jan 24
Richard Thompson	Jan 1	Karen Simonini	Jan 10	Paul Phillips	Jan 18	Erin Georgalas	Jan 24
Seth Sumney	Jan 1	Crystal Domske	Jan 11	Donald Faust	Jan 19	Ed Breedlove	Jan 25
Vickie Wilson	Jan 2	Kathryn Lee	Jan 11	Nicole Emily Day	Jan 19	Jeremy Zajdel	Jan 25
Jason Dille	Jan 2	Tammara Luchovick	Jan 11	Vincent Garlisi	Jan 19	Whitie Grantz	Jan 25
Bryan Dickson	Jan 2	Devin Reese	Jan 11	Lois Laird	Jan 20	Ryan Hurst	Jan 26
Melissa Hodinko	Jan 3	John Breitigan	Jan 12	James McCrory	Jan 20	Eric Saffell	Jan 27
Mitchel Groszkiewicz	Jan 3	Carter Thompson	Jan 12	Cortney Capo	Jan 20	Ryan Densmore	Jan 27
Christina Bowers	Jan 4	Jared Pelosi	Jan 13	Edmund Roscoe	Jan 20	Jennifer Breen	Jan 28
Natalie Groszkiewicz	Jan 4	Charles Bowers	Jan 15	Sally Corwin	Jan 21	Susan Key	Jan 28
Nancy McCreight	Jan 6	Ann Faust	Jan 16	Joycelyn Dean	Jan 21	Eileen Caldwell	Jan 30
Stephen Warren	Jan 6	Susan McDaniel	Jan 16	Gerald Davison	Jan 22	Erin Locy	Jan 31

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Richard Nevin

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# **DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FEBRUARY**

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Isa. 51:17–23	Isa. 58:1–12	Jonah 3:1–4:11	
Gal. 4:1–11	2 Tim. 1:1–14	Heb. 12:1–14	
Mark 7:24–37	Mark 9:42–50	Luke 18:9–14	X
Tuesday, February 2	Wednesday, Feb. 10	Thursday, February 18	Wednesday, Feb. 24
Isa. 52:1–12	Isa. 59:1–21	Deut. 7:6–11	Deut. 9:13–21
Gal. 4:12–20	2 Tim. 1:15–2:13	Titus 1:1–16	Heb. 3:12–19
Mark 8:1–10	Mark 10:1–16	John 1:29–34	John 2:23–3:15
Wednesday, February 3	Thursday, February 11	Friday, February 19	Thursday, February 25
Isa. 52:13–53:12	Isa. 60:1–22	Deut. 7:12–16	Deut. 9:23–10:5
Gal. 4:21–31	2 Tim. 2:14–26	Titus 2:1–15	Heb. 4:1–10
Mark 8:11–26	Mark 10:17–31	John 1:35–42	John 3:16–21
Thursday, February 4	Friday, February 12	Saturday, February 20	Friday, February 26
Isa. 54:1–10 (11–17)	Isa. 61:1–9	Deut. 7:17–26	Deut. 10:12–22
Gal. 5:1–15	2 Tim. 3:1–17	Titus 3:1–15	Heb. 4:11–16
Mark 8:27–9:1	Mark 10:32–45	John 1:43-51	John 3:22–36
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The following 6 gently used books were donated by Karen Davison.

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Count to Ten, by James Patterson and Ashwin Sanghi. Santosh is ready to quit as the head of Private India, except Jake Morgan, the global leader of the Private, wants to open an office in Delhi and Santosh is the only person he can trust. Still battling his demons, Santosh accepts and the agency takes on a case that threatens to destroy them. Plastic barrels containing dissolved human remains have been found in the basement of a house owned by the state government.

100 Years of the Best American Short Stories, edited by Lorrie Moore Heidi Pitlor. Forty stories plus commentary offer an extraordinary tour through a century of literature in all its wildernesses of character and voice. The writing of Ernest Hemingway, William Faulkner, James Baldwin, and Grace Paley find a place at this literary banquet of delights.

Shirley Jones: A Memoir, by Shirley Jones with Wendy Leigh. This is the real Shirley Jones: a small-town girl from Pennsylvania with a rebellious nature, radiant style, and rare talent that grabbed the attention of Broadway legends Rodgers and Hammerstein. Shirley reveals stunning details of her rocky marriage to Jack Cassidy, discusses her cult status with the Partridge Family, and many sides of Shirley Jones we've never before seen. Hilarious, heartwarming, and wonderfully honest.

Bunny Mellon: The Life of an American Style Legend, by Meryl Gordon. With access to Bunny Mellon's private journals and letters plus interviews with more than 175 people, Meryl Gordon paints a nuanced portrait of a woman who held the material world in the palms of her hands yet found love elusive. Learn of the Bunny Mellon who was a peerless style-maker and individualist whose unerring eye for beauty (she designed, for example, the White House rose garden) influenced American culture.

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