

December 2023 Christmas edition

MERRY CHRISTMAS

From the desk of the pastor:

We have So much to be thankful for!!! We are so blessed as a people in this country. This time of year reminds us and causes us to want to be generous and kind to those around us. The greatest gift we could ever share is the gift of the gospel with a family member, friend, or acquaintance who may not yet know Christ. This time of year is also a time for some to experience the first season when they are going through a divorce or their loved one has passed. Both of these events cause the holidays to be times when we used to celebrate one way and now everything has changed.

We will vote on the 2024 Budget and the 2024 list of Teams at the close of our service on December 10th. I want to thank everyone who has served and is rotating off and for those who are joining different teams in 2024. We could not do what we do without all of our amazing volunteers. Thank you

December 24th, 10:30 am Christmas Eve Service.

This will be a special service with children serving in large parts of the service, Christmas carols, the Lords Supper, and at the close of the event that morning we will have hot chocolate and a photo area set up in the Fellowship Hall.

A reminder - there will not be LifeGroups that day nor will there be Kids Worship.

December 31st, 10:30 am New Year's Eve Service.

This can be a special time for you to share what God has done in your life in 2023 and for us to hear what God has done in our church during this year.

There will not be LifeGroups or Kids Worship again this Sunday.

Have a blessed and Merry Christmas with your family, friends, and loved ones.

Pastor John Shultz & Family

Thursday Night Sessions resume January 11, 2024...

Thursdays 6:15 - 7:45 pm AWANA (for 3 yrs old to 5th grade)

Thursdays 6:15 - 7:45 pm Student Ministry

Thursdays 6:15 - 7:45 pm Ladies Bible Study

Thursdays 6:15 - 7:45 pm Men's Bible Study

Thursdays 6:15 - 7:45 pm - Grief Share

Thursdays 6:15 - 7:45 pm - Financial Peace University

WMU - First Tuesday of the month 9:30 am in Advance Hall

Prayer Warriors - Every Monday at 10:00 am in Advance Hall

Sewing Ministry. 4-6:00 pm Second Wednesday of the month.

Christmas Eve Service 12.24.2023 Sunday @ 10:30am

NO LIFE GROUPS

New Years Eve Service 12.31.2023 Sunday @ 10:30am



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

We invite our church family to devote one or more poinsettias in our Sanctuary this Christmas season to the memory of or in honor of a loved one.

The cost is \$15 per plant.

This Sunday, December 3rd, is the last day to order the plants.



Pablo Towers

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY EVENT

December 11th, Pablo Towers December Birthday Event. Our church will be involved in celebrating the December Birthdays of those who reside at Pablo Towers. We will provide a light-sandwich meal, birthday cake, and drinks. We will sing some Christmas Carols and share Luke's account of the birth of Christ. We will need to be at Pablo Towers, 115 3rd Street South, Jax Beach at 5 pm. to set up and the event will begin at 6 pm. A volunteer sign-up form will be in the lobby.











The Birth of Jesus

Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1:19:21)

"And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!" (Luke 2:8-14)





LOTTIE MOON MISSION OFFERING AND INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS WEEK OF PRAYER

The Week of Prayer for International Missions is observed annually to pray for missionaries, their ministries, and their families. This year the week of prayer is December 4-8.

The Lottie Moon Mission offering supports IMB missionaries. One hundred percent of the money given goes to support those sharing the Gospel around the world. This year it is our church's goal to give \$2,000 to this offering to support international missions.

Prayer guides and giving envelopes are available in the Next Steps

Area and the Foyer through December 31.

Church Office Christmas Closure
Mon, Dec 25, 2023 9:00 AM ~ Tue, Dec 26, 2023 12:00 PM



One Church wishes a blessed and Merry Christmas to you and your family.