

# Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church

Worship service—9:00 am Sunday School—10:15 am

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#### Pastor's Pen

It is always good to get our bearings as a church—it is beyond question that the church (any church) is to exist to bring God glory. That is what sets the church apart from every other group or organization in the community. We uniquely represent Jesus and are entrusted with His message to the world—no other group is entrusted with such a lofty and supernatural and eternal purpose. We have the promise

Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, <sup>21</sup> make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* glory forever and ever. Amen. -- Hebrews 13

Notice that His equipping and working in us is ultimately aimed at <u>bringing glory to Jesus</u>. In other words, an effective church does everything ultimately to bring glory to Jesus.

#### God is glorified by changing lives.

First, God is glorified as He works in our lives, changing us, making us into the image of Jesus (Rom. 8:29, Eph. 2:10). He works in our lives to produce a person filled with grace and truth (Jn. 1:14). By His Spirit producing love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Second, God is glorified by working through our lives to help others come to know Him, trust Him, love Him and walk with Him.

There are some specific things that we can and ought to do:

1. Pray that God will make your life what brings Him glory.

2. Look around at those that God brings into your life. In His name

Pray for them

Care for them

Share with them what Jesus has taught you.

Share with them what you have come to know about Jesus.

#### Coming—where are we going?

We began a series—Things that are True Things that are True of God Things that are True of this world Things that are True of you.

We are continuing that series into February and post the texts on the website for you to read ahead and prepare. Come and join us in worship. Be sure to check out our webpage StPaulJamestown.org, for updates on things happening. There is a page for calendar that we will try to keep current with the latest information on what is happening at the church. If you appreciate the effort that goes into maintaining the webpage, invite your friends to visit.

#### **Confirmation**

We have a confirmation class at Moniteau Advent with 7 young people. We meet on the second and fourth Sundays of the month in the afternoon and are looking at what we believe and building habits for the future—habits of reading the Bible every day, prayer, fellowship and witnessing. We are memorizing verses for each of those areas and are writing a personal doctrinal statement on the Bible, God (who He is and what He is like), Jesus, Salvation and the church. Please be praying for this time of formation.

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Please call to share a need, set up an appointment or request a visit.

## <u>Becomíng</u>

#### Middle School Youth Group Update

We began meeting again after the holidays and are focusing on a very simply set of truths.

God is awesomely great

God wants to spend time with you

The question is, "Do you want to spend time with Him?"

Focusing on His greatness, we are desiring to encourage our teens to learn to spend quality time with Him in prayer and reading His word. We will be learning the keys to prayer and the keys to getting the most out of reading our Bibles.

We need:

1. Prayer warriors that will pray for the workers and for the teens.

2. Workers—we are always looking for people who want to make a difference in lives. If God is laying that on your heart, perhaps you should consider working with the Middle School Youth Group which meets Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

### Who & What We've Been Praying For

Heather Sullard – going through cancer treatments Ed Ambrose –going through cancer treatments. Pastor Steve's brother, David, for his salvation Larry Potter Grayden Gatlin Dettman Family Mike Powell Jeff Bieri Claire Fowler

> Our confirmation class Jamestown Community Youth Group WWJD Our overseas missionaries

Leaders of our country and state, the military serving our homeland, our friends and neighbors that are shut-in's or in nursing homes and hospitals.

## LOST & FOUND

Lost recently, possibly in the church or parking lot, is a gold, round hoop earring. The width across the hoop is approximately one-inch, and the size of the hoop is about the size of a piece of spaghetti. Please be on the lookout for it and let Sue Burlingame know if you find it. Thanks!

## SHARE YOUR "FAMILY IN NEED" EXPERIENCES

Joyce and Cindy were blessed to deliver to a young family in California.

This family attends Faith Crossing Church. The three children were very social. The father shared his testimony of becoming a Christian only a few years ago. They were so appreciative and welcoming it made our visit relaxing. Cindy is such a planner, meeting strangers is sprinkled with anxiety for her, but we enjoyed the experience.

It was a great way to start a week of blessings. It has always been an eye opener of how truly fortunate we are to have a house furnished with tables and plenty of chairs and bed frames. This family has been in our prayers and their kindness and appreciation will not be forgotten.

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I want to thank everyone for helping with this project ! From the founders. Paul an Beth, to the girls on the committee with me, the shoppers and the delivery people, the ones that donated funds and time, for Melisa and Janet who went shopping at Unilever, to the lady who got them the pass to shop there, to Burger's Smokehouse that donated hams and turkeys. It still amazes me how everyone helps out an how well it all comes together! This was my first year doing the planning, getting the forms to and from the families and making sure all sizes, etc. were on the form and how we could use the funds wisely. Only had one that we missed on shoe size! We purchased some personal hygiene products, cleaning supplies, laundry soap, and bleach to name some of what we got for them. Sometimes when you get in the middle and have what seems to be a difficult decision will really have an easy solution. I am so grateful I had Janet and Melisa helping me! A big thanks to Paul for answering the phone when I had questions; he was so gracious and helpful. Finally it was delivery day all seemed to come together! One crew that delivered was me and Mike. We loaded our 2 vehicles, as well as Kevin Coffelt's and Kenny Ernst's trucks. We delivered to 4 families in the Prairie Home area. First family was a grandfather that met us in his driveway because it was very muddy they needed gravel and have no means to get it( my next project ). He was so happy and shocked with the quantity of what we delivered that he had tears running down his face! The second family we met a grandmother at this house as parents and children had Christmas dinner to attend. Grandma was a little over whelmed. The third family was very large and it took lots of trips up and down stairs (which I do not do very well with an old knee injury). Thanks again Mike, Kevin and Kenny! This mom was also in tears . She had no idea how they were going to buy for their children if we hadn't helped out. Mike told me later she hugged him and that about put him in tears. He had to walk outside as he did not want anyone to see his tears. They had an amazing Christmas I heard later ! The fourth family was a little farther out of town. This mom came and helped us unload.

She hugged me so hard before we left I couldn't hardly breathe. All the families thanked us all and that needs to be passed on to everyone at Moniteau Advent Church. This is my and Mike's favorite part of our Christmas ! We enjoy our dinner with our children and grandchildren but by far this project is our favorite! Earlier I said next project: one of our families needs gravel for a driveway. I've located a creek we can get gravel out of at no cost. I've talked to Kenny Ernst about the possibility of bringing his tractor to load dump trucks (I'm trying to get 2 of these) to help at little to no charge but maybe some fuel money? If you have a dump truck and would be willing to help with this in any way, please contact me! We will probably have to wait for it to dry up or a hard freeze to keep from getting stuck in the mud ! Thanks for any assistance you could give !

Susan Powell

#### **January Board Report**

The Moniteau Evangelical Advent Church board met on January 6th, 2019. Present were: Pastor Steve, Cindy Wieberg, Beth Fennewald, Justin Traub, Nancy Baker, Dale Taggart, and Andrew Rohrbach. Meeting was opened with a prayer.

#### Secretary's Report:

November report was reviewed as it was not available for the December meeting and approved.

December report was reviewed and was approved too.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Income for December 2018 was \$4,413.74, expenses were \$6,736.42. Total assets were \$78,527.29. Memorial fund donation of \$1,000.00 was included in report. Reviewed and approved.

#### **Old Business:**

Responsibilities of Church Custodian reviewed. Diana reviewed, and no further discussion was necessary.

Discussion concerning the increase in our insurance premium. Cindy will verify if this is due to cemetery vandalism coverage. If so, then she will follow up with cemetery board.

Water and Temperature sensors are currently not working. Cindy volunteered to work with the Insurance company to get onsite assistance to remedy this situation.

Offering the Financial Peace University for the Needy Family members and/or the community was discussed. Community participants would pay their fees. Needy Family members will be told that financial assistance is available. There was further discussion of participants paying up to half the cost of the program (\$65) and a drawing for one person/couple receiving full reimbursement (only available for those who attended all meetings). Pastor Steve is going to take care of the newspaper ad for inviting the community. Needy Families will receive a letter mailed out by Paul Fennewald.

Also discussed was Needy Family training suggestions for those who volunteer to deliver the presents. Priority of the training would be to learn ways to show that Jesus is the reason for our giving in His name and we care about these families. This includes ways to open up the dialog with the family members about coming to church and building new and/or stronger relationships with our Lord.

Officer responsibility printouts were collected for the notebook.

Cindy is finalizing the directory and had example to review. Copies will be made for distribution with the phone tree.

#### New Business:

As Diana is stepping down, the need for piano player volunteers were discussed. Beth introduced the idea of a gift for Diana who has faithfully served as our piano player for the past 10 years. Motion made for a letter to be written, a card signed by members, and a \$500 monetary gift be presented to her in January. Vote taken and passed.

We are still looking for a full time piano player. Andrew volunteered to coordinate temporary piano players until the next board meeting.

With a new year comes new board members and officer assignments. New Officers were decided upon and are as follows:

**President** - Beth Fennewald **Vice President** - Andrew Rohrbach **Secretary**- Justin Traub **Treasurer** - Cindy Wieberg **Communion Steward** - Dale Taggart

Sarah Traub and Claudia Taylor have volunteered to coteach 1 & 2 grade Sunday School class.

Inclement weather discussion.

Christmas Eve services-Pastor commented all went well.

Evangelical Association Annual Dues/Donation. The previous amount was \$125, vote passed to keep the donation the same after a discussion of how the association provides resources and networks our church with others.

Next Evangelical Council meeting Moniteau needs to nominate a President. Andrew volunteered to take that role at the January 13, 2019 meeting.

New Board Meeting Time - 4th Monday of Month at 7 PM. This puts the next board meeting on February 25th.

Meeting concluded with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Traub, Secretary

#### CAMP AURORA 2019 DATES

Senior High: July 7th - July 13th Junior High: July 14th - July 19th Junior: July 21st - 26<sup>th</sup> Primary: July 28<sup>th</sup> - 31st



Read Isaiah 43:1-5

The Lord God, the creator of the universe, tells us to, 'Fear Not', and that we are so very precious to Him. He has created us and has saved us. He knows us and calls us by name. We are His very own children. (V.1). Whatever we go through, we can be sure that God is always with us. He walks with us every day. Just remember the next time you feel afraid, God is standing right by your side and He will walk with you. Keep on calling out to Jesus and He will be there. He loves you and you are so very precious to Him. You needn't be afraid when you know Jesus is by your side. Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world.

Is there something you feel afraid of? Tell Jesus now how you feel and ask Him to help you not feel afraid anymore.



Mark your calendar!! Get ready for **March 3** and the **annual talent show**! Start practicing as this is right around the corner. There will be a carry-in dinner with the talent show immediately following. Looking forward to the many surprise talents that will debut that night.

### NEXT CHILDREN'S FELLOWSHIP

March 30<sup>th</sup> - 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Please sign up if your kids will attend so we have plenty of food and supplies for the projects they will be working on that evening. The sign-up sheet will be posted a couple weeks ahead of time, along with items they could use to be donated.

#### **BLAZING NEEDLES**

Blazing Needles will meet on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Jamestown from 9:00-2:30. An open invitation is extended to any adult wishing to bring and work on their sewing, quilting, craft, crochet, scrapbooking or any other project they've got. There's always room for a few more to join them.

#### NEEDS

One of our families in need has indicated they could use the following, if anyone can help them: blankets (any size, color), plastic for the windows and duct tape to put it up. If you can provide any of these items, let Susan Powell know.



World Day of Prayer is Friday, March 1, and will be hosted by the Prairie Home United Methodist Church. Further details on the specific plans will be announced at church when we have the information.