



**We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.**

**Today's Events**

Winter Quarter Begins

**Upcoming Events**

- Dec. 4-**Ladies Class 10:00
- Dec. 9-**Elders/Deacons Meeting 8:00
- Dec. 9-**Youth Group Christmas Party
- Dec. 10-**Golden Gals Lunch & Gift Exchange at Patty Long's House 11:30 am
- Dec. 11-**Ladies Class 10:00
- Dec. 12-**Blood Drive 5-8 pm
- Dec. 15-**Mercy House 4-8 pm
- Dec. 16-**Cole Steffens Wedding Shower 2-4 pm at JoAnn Roger's House
- Dec. 18-**Ladies Class 10:00
- Dec. 23-**Children's Christmas Program followed by Candlelight Vigil
- Dec. 24,25-**Office Closed
- Dec. 26-**No Wednesday night class
- Dec. 30-**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fellowship
- Jan. 1-**Office Closed
- Jan. 5-**Wed. Meal: Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Dessert

**New Member:**

Mike Felton  
1206 S. Jefferson  
Enid, OK 73701  
(580) 747-8549

**New Baby:**

Congratulations to Dianna Simmons on her new granddaughter!  
Zoey Lynn Leake was born Tuesday, November 13, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. and measuring 20 ½ inches long. She has chunky cheeks and brown hair.

**Order of Worship**

- Song Leader** ..... **Dee Plummer**
- #153..... Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down
- #278..... Victory Chant
- #997..... O Come, All Ye Faithful
- Welcome/Scripture: James 1:17** ..... **Erik Granberg**
- Opening Prayer** ..... **Bill Spencer**
- #1012..... Go Tell It on the Mountain
- ..... Hosanna, You're my King
- Communion Talk**..... **Kevin Hurt**
- Kevin Hurt                      Shawn Tuohy                      Brent Dittmeyer                      Trenn Watson
- Shannon Elledge                      Jeff Owen                      Roger Owen                      Dennis Hartman
- ..... Cornerstone
- ..... **Dismiss Children**
- #535..... The Glory-Land Way
- Sermon: Gifts From Above: Life**..... **Erik Granberg**
- #574..... O How I Love Jesus
- Welcome/Announcements** ..... **Gordon Jantz**
- Shepherd's Prayer** ..... **Brent Dittmeyer**
- Children's Worship**..... **Wendy Taylor**
- Nursery** ..... **Susan Oldham; Charlotte Owen**
- Sound Booth** ..... **Robb Mills**
- Slides** ..... **Terry Sherrill**
- Lock Up**..... **Terry Sherrill; Wayne Williams**

**Sermon Scripture:** Romans 9:23

**Sermon Thought:** Gift giving is on everyone's mind this time of year. Each is trying to find just the right gift for friends, family or a special someone. Our God in heaven has given us many great and wonderful gifts. Among those is the gift of life. Life might be one of the most forgotten gifts.

**Sermon Questions:**

1. In what situations do you find yourself thinking about life?
2. How do people sometimes devalue life?
3. In what ways should people go about showing they value the gift of life?

## New Prayer Concerns

**Family of Billy Emerson**-brother-in-law of Patrece Allen; passed away this week

### Youth and Family Minister Search

**Sydney Reigh**-friend of Seth & Cassie Barr; will have her 16<sup>th</sup> brain surgery Nov. 30

**Les Swart**-back in Burgandy Place room #118; praise for him doing well

## Record for 11-25-18

|                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Bible Class.....      | N/C          |
| Morning Worship ..... | 147          |
| Life Groups .....     | N/A          |
| Contribution .....    | \$2,400      |
| Budget .....          | \$6,634.62   |
| 2018 YTD Cont.....    | \$254,552.76 |
| 2018 YTD Bdgt.....    | \$311,827.14 |
| Served at Pantry..... | 23 families  |
| .....                 | 68 total     |

## Birthdays

### December:

|                 |                          |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Gerri Ball<br>Don Siders |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Brett Thornton           |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> | Buster Keeton            |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Jerod Burford            |

### Ride Needed:

Pat Hart needs someone to give her a ride to church Sunday mornings. She lives at Burgandy Place. Her phone number is (580) 642-5739.

### Wednesday Meals:

There will be no Wednesday night meals for the month of December. Classes will still meet at 6:15.

## Tis The Season. . .

The holiday season is upon us, leaves changing, temperatures changing, and holidays are here.

Many of us just spent time traveling, seeing family, and friends for the Thanksgiving holiday and are or have been ramping up for the Christmas holidays. As such we hear the saying the “reason for the season” and typically that is Jesus Christ. But for us as Christians, the “reason for the season” is not just one time of the year but should be a daily walk, recognizing Jesus Christ as our Lord, Savior, Redeemer, and Brother.

As such, I would like for you to use this time of the year and all year to share what Christ has and is doing in your life with others. He has given us a Spirit to help us, intercede for us, and give us peace.

As you get together this holiday, remember to share your/his love with family and friends. Also, remember those who this time of year may not be a joyous time (death of family/friend, loss of spouse or child, loneliness, dealing with a sickness or an illness, no family/friends in the area, those having to deal with major transitions in their lives, etc.). Reach out and share your love, time and home.

Galatians 5:22-23 “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

Have a great holiday!

Jerry

## Youth Group Christmas Party

There will be a Youth Group Christmas Party, December the 9<sup>th</sup>, from 6 to 7:30 pm. It will be at Bryce and Gina Thornton’s house, 1105 Dalton Court. Please bring a white elephant gift and be ready to have a time of fun and fellowship. Contact Robb Mills or Dee Plummer with any questions.

## Gifts for “Senior Saints”

The Tuesday morning Ladies Class is collecting gifts for 24 of our “Senior Saints,” and the Ladies Class (and anyone else who would like to come) will deliver them Tuesday morning, December 11, at 9:30. We would appreciate your help by bringing items to the office that could be included. Some gifts ideas are: individually wrapped Christmas goodies, fruit, toiletries, Word search puzzles, and non-skid socks.

## Life Groups

Life groups will be on break from now through the end of the year. During this time there will be a sign-up list in the lobby for those who want to participate in life groups during 2019.

## Blood Drive



Wednesday night, December 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be having our Holiday Blood Drive from 5 to 8 pm. Please sign up for a time on the Welcome Center if you are able to donate. Donors get this limited-edition long-sleeved t-shirt!