

## THOUGHTS FROM BRAD ...

**Merry Christmas everyone!** I hope you join us tonight for a very special Christmas Eve Service.

If you didn't have a chance to grab a 2018 Bible Reading Schedule last Sunday, they are available at both exits of the sanctuary. You will note that in 2018, I am using the theme: "It's All About Jesus."

### Please note the following...

- **Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>**- Our **Christmas Eve service** will begin tonight at 6:00 P.M.
- **Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>**- No Sunday evening service. Have a safe New Year's Eve celebration with your family and friends.
- **Our Winter Break for the Wednesday night elective class begins on 12/27 and lasts through January 17<sup>th</sup>.** I look forward to our first class in 2018 beginning on January 24<sup>th</sup>. We will continue our 24/7 Bible studies.

**New for 2018!** On the last Wednesday of each month, I will offer a new opportunity for our Seniors entitled: "3F." This stands for "Faith, Food and Friends!" At each of these times together, we will have a light lunch, a brief study and a lot of fun gathering with friends. As always, feel free to invite someone with you that you'd like to begin worshipping with you at FACC. This will take the place of our Wednesday night study on that particular day. I do hope you join us on January 31<sup>st</sup> for our first gathering together.



### Here's a brief thought about Christmas...

You can have Christmas without Santa and his elves, without Frosty the snowman, without Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer, and without Dasher, Dancer, Prancer and Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen. You can have Christmas without Mr. Grinch, Ebenezer Scrooge and Tiny Tim. But you cannot have a real Christmas without Jesus. Otherwise, it's a fake Christmas.

Jesus came at the appointed time, at the perfect time. The Bible tells us, "But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. **God sent him to buy freedom for us** who were slaves to the law, **so that he could adopt us as his very own children**" (Galatians 4:4-5 NLT). That's the real reason for Christmas. You have a choice this year: Either you can have a real Christmas, or you can have a fake Christmas. Either you can have the fake version, or you can have the real version with Christ himself living inside of you (excerpts of Greg Laurie blog).

**Brad SeEVERS**

December 17, 2017	
Sunday School	n/c
Morning Worship	101
Evening Worship	21
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,145.00
Budget Received	\$ 2,286.75
Building Fund	\$ 133.00

SERVING SCHEDULE December 24, 2017	
At the Table	Dick Shumaker and Ron Enlow
Serving	Dale Rose, Carmel Marsh, Jon Music
PM Deacon	Dick Shumaker
COMMUNION	Dan and Janet Brown
GREETERS	Ray and Margie Ayers
NURSERY	
Sunday School	Margaret Burgess
Worship	Thea Kallenberg
VISITOR CENTER	
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Family Sunday
SOUND BOARD	Rick Azbell
VIDEO	John Baird
SECURITY	
Sunday School/ Worship	Bill Kelly
Evening Worship	Bob Neff

SERVING SCHEDULE December 31, 2017	
At the Table	Patrick Wersell
Serving	Ron Enlow, Bob Neff, Dick Shumaker
PM Deacon	Ron Enlow
COMMUNION	Dan and Janet Brown
GREETERS	Dan and Janet Brown
NURSERY	
Sunday School	Courtney Beiter
Worship	Angie Music
VISITOR CENTER	Janet Brown
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Ryan/Sarah Ratliff
SOUND BOARD	Rick Azbell
VIDEO	John Baird
SECURITY	
Sunday School/ Worship	Ray Coats
Evening Worship	No Evening Worship

## Prayer List

Our Church	Leroy Shaner	Veronica Hartmann	Heather Baker
Piper Stark	Naressa Allen	Kasen Newman	Esther Messerknecht
Debi Erwin	Jean Goldfarb	Kenneth Dusthimer	Norma Holtom
Jerry Wentz	Caleb Witham	Camille Stiverson	Delmar Severing
Our Troops	Marc Mooney	Kathryn Norman	Richard/Bertha Boyer
Ruth Enlow	Dick Seifert	Lou Bennett	Ron Young

### 2018 Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes for 2018 are available to be picked up in the church parlor. If you do not currently have offering envelopes but would like to have some, please contact Marg Shumaker or the church office.

### Sunday School Classes for All Ages All classes are at 8:45 a.m.

**Nursery**  
(Birth through 3 years old)  
"Jesus Loves Me"  
Room 102

**Preschool**  
(Ages 3-6)  
"Bible Friends"  
Room 105  
Marie Huffman, Teacher

**Early Elementary**  
(K- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)  
"Jesus, Our Example"  
Room 101  
Deborah Will, Teacher

**Upper Elementary Class**  
(4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
"God Gave the Ten Commandments"  
Room 106  
Ron Enlow, Teacher

**Junior/Senior High**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Patrick Wersell, Teacher

**Ladies' Class**  
"Becoming Myself"  
By Stasi Eldredge  
Room 209  
Jean Azbell and Bev Puckett, Teachers

**Adult Class**  
"Independent Studies"  
Fellowship Hall  
Brad SeEVERS, Teacher

**Harmony Adult Class**  
"International Sunday School Lessons"  
Room 204  
Dave Tingler, Teacher

**Philothean Adult Class**  
"Parables"  
Room 208  
Jim Love, Teacher



**Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**  
No Evening Worship

For  
Unto  
us  
a  
CHILD  
is born  
Unto  
us  
a  
Son  
is given, and the  
Government shall be  
Upon His shoulders,  
and His Name shall be called,  
Wonderful, Counselor,  
Mighty God, Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace!  
Isaiah 9:6



**Merry Christmas  
and a Blessed  
New Year!**

**From the Church  
Staff**

**Brad SeEVERS  
Dale Thornton  
Debbi Hoagland**

