

THOUGHTS FROM BRAD ...



Dec. 24 - Our candlelight evening will begin at 5:30 as Nancye will play 30 minutes of Christmas music on the organ.

Our traditional Christmas worship will begin at 6:00 p.m. which will include traditional Christmas hymns, communion, devotions and ending the service with you holding a lit candle while we sing "Silent night." Why not invite a friend to participate with you this year?

Dec. 29 - At our p.m. service we will have a "Mystery Speaker" from the church. Please don't miss this opportunity to hear from one of our own men of God.



Jan. 12 - Movie Night at the church. I will announce next week the title of the movie. This would be a great opportunity to bring a friend. Please bring a snack for everyone to enjoy. **Starts at 6:00 p.m.**

Jan. 20 - Men's Breakfast and Devotions at Todd's Mountain View Restaurant. Please notice the location change. We start at 9:00 a.m. I look forward to spending this time with you guys each month. Please let me know if you plan to join us.

Just a thought...History starts and ends with Jesus! Have you ever let that sink in? In an ancient town called Bethlehem, the Alpha and Omega, who had written the story, entered the story Himself.

The "firstborn of all creation" was born at the right moment in history (**Colossians 1:15**). No wonder angels celebrated! Jesus was born into an empire marked by evil, corruption and political strife. He was the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecies. The name "Alpha and Omega" echoes God's description of Himself in Isaiah:

"Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: 'I am the first and I am the last; besides Me there is no god'" (Isaiah 44:6, ESV).

Jesus, our Alpha and Omega, existed before Creation and will return one day to rule forever. He is the consistency for which our hearts long. God's eternal plan is unfolding, and this season isn't the end. This is just one chapter in His story. It's the middle of the story. Though we have a limited view, God sees our whole story and how it's part of His bigger story.

This Christmas, celebrate the surprising entrance of Jesus, the Alpha and Omega, into the middle of your story.

Brad

December 15, 2019	
Sunday School	63
Morning Worship	96
Evening Worship	18
Wednesday Bible Study (12/18)	6
Weekly Budget	\$ 3,565.00
Budget Received	\$ 2,041.25
Building Fund	\$ 50.00

SERVING SCHEDULE December 22, 2019	
At the Table	Ned Tomlinson & Dave Tingler
Serving	Larry King, Ray Coats, Bob Hawkes, Jim Hoff
PM Deacon	Larry King
COMMUNION	Fred Griffith
GREETERS	Ray and Margie Ayers
NURSERY WORSHIP	Thea Kallenberg
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Sarah and Ryan Ratliff
SOUND BOARD	Fred Griffith
POWER POINT	Rick Azbell
VIDEO	John Baird
SECURITY	
Sunday School/ Worship	Bob Hawkes
Evening Worship	

SERVING SCHEDULE December 29, 2019	
At the Table	Fred Griffith and Tim Huffman
Serving	Dale Rose, Carmel Marsh, Dick Shumaker
PM Deacon	Dale Rose
COMMUNION	Fred Griffith
GREETERS	Ray and Mary Alice Coats
NURSERY WORSHIP	Courtney Beiter
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Sarah and Ryan Ratliff
SOUND BOARD	Fred Griffith
POWER POINT	Rick Azbell
VIDEO	John Baird
SECURITY	
Sunday School/ Worship	Mike Bussey
Evening Worship	Carmel Marsh

Prayer List

Ronda Brown	Betty Sparks	George Lambert	Camille Stiverson
Our Troops	Heather Baker	Christine Connell	Kenneth Dusthimer
BJ Hoff	Kasen Newman	Leroy Shaner	Veronica Hartmann
Jerry Wentz	Caleb Witham	Betty Lambert	Delmar Severing
Judy Smith	Marc Mooney	Norma Holtom	Richard/Bertha Boyer
Larry Bussey	Mary Darst	Bill Kelly	Frances Trimmer
Mary Marsh	Joyce McCray	Michelle Hartmann	Ethan Baumgardner
	Aimee Caudill	Andy Browning	Dave Daubenmire

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- 3rd Grade)
"Jesus, Our Example"
Room 101
Deborah Will, Teacher

Upper Elementary Class
(4th-6th Grade)
"Samuel Serves God"
Room 106
Ron Enlow, Teacher

Junior/Senior High
3rd Floor
Patrick Wersell, Teacher

Ladies' Class
"Not A Fan"
By Kyle Idleman
Room 209
Jean Azbell and Bev Puckett, Teachers

Adult Class
"Unshakeable Hope"
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



Tuesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Service
5:30pm Organ Music by Nancye Rose
6:00pm Christmas Eve Service

December 30th - January 3rd
Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed December 30th - January 3rd.

Offering envelopes for 2020 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.



*Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year
From the Church Staff*

*Brad Seevers
Debbi Hoagland
BW Baumgardner*

WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE!

At FACC, we focus on loving God, loving people, and turning the world upside down.

We are happy you chose to worship with us today. We hope you return next week and bring your friends with you. If you would please take a few minutes to fill out a "Silent Roll Call Card", located on the back of the pew, you can then place it in the offering plate as it is passed. Thank you. For more information about our great church, contact our minister, Brad Seevers at 5thavecofc@gmail.com or call him at 740.550.9882. Have a great week and may God bless your life.

Core Values...

Values central to the life, mission and vision of Fifth Avenue Church of Christ are:

Christ-Centered Worship

We make it a priority every Sunday to celebrate Jesus through our music. (Romans 11:36-12:1-2). We focus on Jesus through grace-based preaching and teaching & understand the Bible is our authority (2 Timothy 3:16).

Church Health and Biblical Balance

Church health becomes reality when God's people seek harmony & live consistently. We expect every member to protect the unity of Christ's Church. (Romans 12:16; 1 Peter 3:8)

Global Evangelism

We are constant to our founding call to worldwide evangelism, proclaiming to all that Jesus Christ is the Savior, Healer, and Soon-Coming King (Acts 20:27).

Fellowship and Ministry

After people begin their journey with Jesus, we will equip them to find a ministry based upon their strengths. We want everyone to serve in some capacity. (1 Corinthians 12:12-27) We also want His church to be the living evidence of His love and power to the world.

Discipleship

We do not want you to "get religion" here at Fifth Avenue Church of Christ in Lancaster. We are all about teaching you that Jesus seeks a daily relationship with Him through a life of obedience. In other words, we want to see the things you are taught actually change your lifestyle & your daily decisions.

Social Conscience

We place high value on the sanctity of human life, of Biblical marriage and morality, and we welcome ethnic diversity (Isaiah 56:7; Philippians 2:15-16).

"Why Did Jesus Come?"

Colossians 1:12-14

Brad Seevers Preaching

How Can I Respond Today?

At FACC we look to the Bible for guidance on all issues. We believe that God's Word is clear concerning what a person must do to become a Christian.

- ◆ Trust that Jesus can bring you to salvation.
- ◆ Turn (repent) from the sin in your life.
- ◆ Confess your desire to make Jesus the Lord of your life.
- ◆ Be baptized (immersed) in water for the forgiveness of sins and to receive the Holy Spirit into your life.

To make this *life decision for Christ*, we ask that you *come forward during our commitment song* at the conclusion of the Sunday message. *Baptized believers are welcome to become members* at FACC by coming forward on Sunday morning or by seeing our Senior Minister to discuss this further. We ask that you *complete a series of Curious classes* to help you better understand what you are committing to as a member. If you would like to take a *Curious class*, please indicate this on your Silent Roll Call Card.

OUR PURPOSE:

WE EXIST TO: Exalt God's Greatness; Evangelize God's Work, Equip God's People. Express God's Love through Jesus Christ

OUR MISSION: "To Love God and Love People!"

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The Christian Messenger

December 22, 2019



5:30pm Organ Music by Nancye Rose

6:00pm Christmas Eve Service

Brad Seevers, Senior Minister
Email: 5thavecofc@gmail.com

Sunday Services: Bible School 8:45 a.m.; Worship 10:00 a.m.;
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.