

Just an FYI... December 22nd, we will not have Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting.



R!OT Youth Holiday Schedule:

Dec. 26th – Youth Group: 5pm – 8pm Christmas Lights at the Fairgrounds

Jan. 2nd – Youth Group: 5pm – 7pm



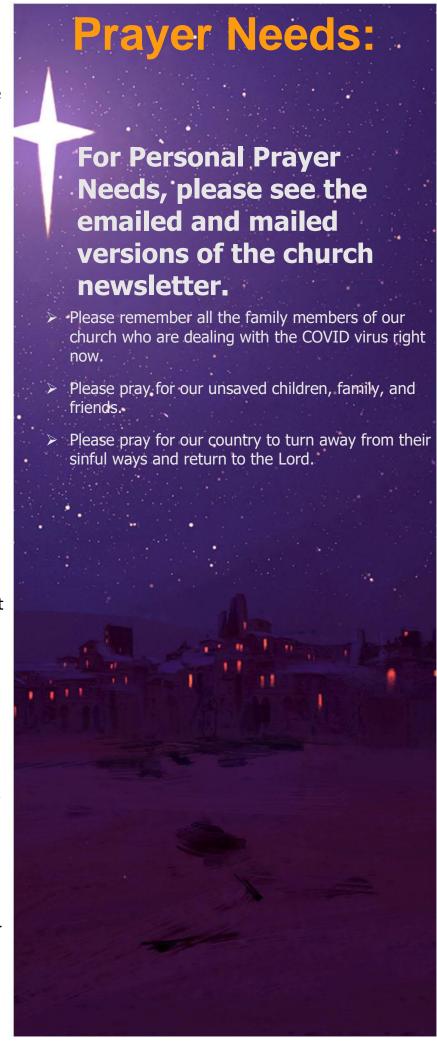
Church Events

- Through December 24th Church Week at Rural King – See Information in Announcements!
- December 24th, Friday 6:00pm Candlelight and Communion Christmas Eve Service
- December 25th, Saturday Christmas Day
- December 26th, Sunday No Sunday School
- December 26th, Sunday 5:00pm -8:00pm – R!OT Youth Meeting (Visit Christmas lights at the fairgrounds)
- December 31st, Friday 7:00pm –
 College & Careers Class and Bound &
 Determined Class NYE Game Night at
 The Greene's house
- January 2nd, Sunday No Sunday School
- January 10th, Monday 6:30pm –
 8:00pm MOPS meeting
- January 14th 15th, Friday 7:00pm Saturday 7:00am – Indy District NYI Lock-In at Indy First Church

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for a successful R!OT Youth Lock-in. There were approximately 40 people who lasted through the entire 12 hours of the fun-filled night! They were entertained by board games and pool noodle hockey, became rockstars in the making, and enjoyed delicious pizza, snacks, and lots of caffeine! Thank you to Dave and Dana Metcalf for organizing and putting on such a fantastic time for our youth! Thank you to Harry and Terri Greene for providing food for snacks and breakfast, to John and Rachel Greene for supplying equipment and games, to Stephen Bechdol for leading the teens in the message for the night, to Jim Hanavan for driving the bus to and from the activity, and all the others who donated items and time, gave up on sleep, and poured God's love into these teens during this great time had by all!
- Praise the Lord for the Children's Church rendition of "The Greatest Gift" this past Sunday during morning worship! The kids all did such a great job. There was music, comedy, drama, and even a wandering star that led us all to the Christmas story of Jesus's birth! Thank you to Cindy Robinson (director), Bonnie Fox (costumes), the children, and the adult helpers. It was a sight to see and loved by all! The service was well rounded out by the Advent reading, prayer, encouragement, congregational singing, and some lovely music performed by the famous Southwest musicians!
- > A Note from Pastor Scott and family...
 - Merry Christmas to you all!
 We are so thankful for your love and support throughout this year. Your prayers, kindness, and generosity, especially at Christmas have blessed and helped us more than you could know! Thank you to those who serve with us on the church board, in elected positions, and those who serve voluntarily each week.
 Please know your labor is not in vain in the Lord! Lastly, may the Prince of Peace fill your homes, and bring joy and hope for the New year.

Thank you, Pastor Scott, Cindy, and Lizzy.



O Holy Night

O holy night the stars are brightly shining It is the night of the dear Savior's birth Long lay the world in sin and error pining Till He appeared and the soul felt its worth A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn

Fall on your knees

O hear the angel voices

O night divine

O night when Christ was born

O night O holy night

O night divine

Led by the light of faith serenely beaming With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming Here came the wise men from Orient land The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger In all our trials born to be our Friend

He knows our need To our weakness is no stranger Behold your King Before Him lowly bend Behold your King Before Him lowly bend

Truly He taught us to love one another His law is love and His gospel is peace Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother

And in His name all oppression shall cease Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we Let all within us praise His holy name

Christ is the Lord O praise His name forever His power and glory Evermore proclaim His power and glory Evermore proclaim

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John 1:9-10 NIV

9 The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS. EVE

CHURCH WEEK

It's that time again... Church Week at Rural King! Here is your chance to help raise funds for Southwest Church by merely shopping for anything they sell. They have items for your home, pantry, yard, animals, and more! Rural King will give the church 10% of the total (after tax) of your purchases made between Dec. 9th and Dec. 24th. Just turn in your receipt to Katrina in the office by January 7th and she'll submit it online. Thank you for supporting the church in this way! Happy shopping!





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SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 14th - 15th, 7pm - 7am

District Youth Lock-In: \$25 at Indy First COTN
 Bring a friend not part of the youth group and cost is \$20.

January 28th

 Winter Jam: \$10. Bring extra money for food, drinks, and merchandise.

February 12th

- Eat Your Heart Out Dinner Fundraiser

February 26th, 8am - 4pm

- District Celebrate Life tryouts: \$25 at Westside COTN

May 12th - 14th

- Regional Celebrate Life at Olivet Nazarene University



The College & Careers and the Bound & Determined Sunday

School Classes will be getting together on New Year's Eve at 7:00pm for a game night. If you are in one of these classes and would like to attend, please bring some games, a 2-liter beverage, and an appetizer and/or dessert to share. The party will be at John & Rachel Greene's house located at 1288 Littlefield Dr, Greenwood, IN 46143.