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Return service requested.

Friendship Circle will meet on Monday, Dec. 5th at 6 p.m. at the home of Marilyn Powell (671 Rose Lane) for a potluck. There will be no gift exchange but there will be a white elephant sale.

L.I.N.C.S. will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 6th at 6 p.m. at the home of Kay Richardson (435 Wildwood Road) for potluck.

Community Meal is Monday, Dec. 19th with the doors opening at 4:45 p.m. If you are interested in helping please contact Leslie Hardman.

There will be a **congregational vote** on Sunday, Dec. 4th to vote on leadership and budget for 2017.

There will be no board meeting in December.

Thomas Graves Men's Group will meet Saturday, Dec 3rd at Cloud's Country Cooking at 8.30 a.m. All men are urged to attend and bring a friend to our last meeting for 2016. Will start again on Jan 7 2017. Have a great Holiday Season. Hope to see you there.

YMCA Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, Dec. 3rd starting at 8:30 a.m. in the HCC Fellowship Hall. All kids are invited.

Music Academy Recital will be Saturday, Dec. 10th at 5 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Everyone is invited to attend.

Caroling, supper and Santa. We will meet at 3 p.m. at the church for caroling and return at 5:30 p.m. for chili and hot dogs ending with a visit from Santa.

Christmas Cantata, Christmas Sharing and lunch will be Sunday, Dec. 18th.

Christmas Eve Service will be Saturday, Dec. 24th at 6 p.m. at HCC.



Disciples of Christ



The Church Messenger

HARRODSBURG CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 305 SOUTH MAIN STREET, HARRODSBURG, KY, 40330
To be Christ-Centered by living, sharing, proclaiming, and celebrating God's Word.

Pew Chatter

Dear Members & Friends,

Every Advent I am captured by the simplicity and wonder of the Christmas story. God taking on flesh and entering into the human experience as a baby, laid in a manger, born to a poor teenage girl who knew nothing of the world except her own family and faith in a God who would deliver. It is captivating and amazing and beautiful. It seems so unlike my usual world of cars and shopping malls and screens of every kind and busyness that mitigates against relationship. Perhaps it is my age and stage that I am no longer as mesmerized by the hustle and bustle and the ever increasing commercialization of every occasion in life.

I am mesmerized by the infant lowly in a manger stall. I am drawn to a God who enters into our existence in this way; a God who came and continues to come near to us. I am drawn to the King who walked among us and laughed with us and cried with us; a King who allowed people to touch him and welcomed children to his side.

Come, thou long expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.
Born Thy people to deliver; Born a child and yet a King.
Born to reign in us forever; Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit, Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

This Advent I am so grateful for you and Harrodsburg Christian Church. My prayer for you is that you may know the freedom and rest and hope and joy of the Long Expected Jesus this Advent Season.

Grace and peace be with you,

Gaye

SERVING IN DECEMBER

ELDERS

Carolyn Royalty
Jim Ingram
Jack Coleman
Kathy Lester

DEACONS

Kay Richardson
Phil Richardson
Pete Presley
Blake Shewmaker

*Church Office
will be closed
Friday, Dec. 23
and
Monday, Dec. 26
For Christmas*

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION

Will be Served on Sunday, Dec. 4th



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Birthdays		Anniversaries	
2	Glen Culbertson	30	Noah Owens
5	Danielle Mays	31	Jan Ingram
	Quenten Mobley		
7	Margaret Clark		
8	Dortha Lawson		
9	Donna Mayes		
10	Betty Sue Shewmaker	17	Smith & Elana Perkins
11	Charlie Lawson	19	Dennis & Kathy Lester
	Vicky Moore	22	Phil & Jane Williams
	Cass Peavler	26	Brennan & Carolyn Royalty
	Dot Phillips	30	Norman & Patsy White
15	Christine Johnson		
21	Sam Gentry		
28	Larry Royalty		
30	Ann H. Burton		



WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM

Members: Kim Davis, David Leo, Janice Markel, Leah Royalty and Jennifer Baxter.

The Worship Team met Sunday, November 20 just prior to the Board meeting. We reviewed the budget as submitted to the Administrative team with expected expenses pretty much the same as the previous year. We discussed the exit of the acolytes at the end of the service.

Janice Markel talked about plans for decorating the sanctuary for the Lighting of the Greens service on November 27. Janice has worked to organize and properly store the decorations so the setup should run smoothly.

Shauntina discussed the preparations for the Christmas Cantata which will be Sunday, December 18.

The Thanksgiving service was very uplifting and joyous! Thanks to Shauntina and the choir, the Praise team and Erin and Cala for the nice music. Thanks to Stephen & Malia Toon, Patty Sabo and Phil Richardson for sharing their stories.

Jennifer Baxter, Leader

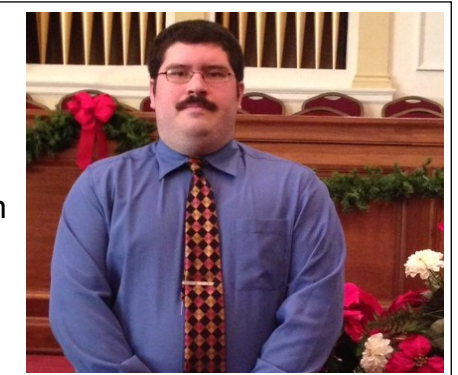
NURSERY SCHEDULE

	Sunday School (9:30 a.m.)	Church Service (10:30 a.m.)
Dec. 4		Patsy King
Dec. 11	Carolyn Royalty	Beverly Royalty
Dec. 18	Barb Yeast	Ellen Campbell
Dec. 25	Martha Gentry	Martha Gentry

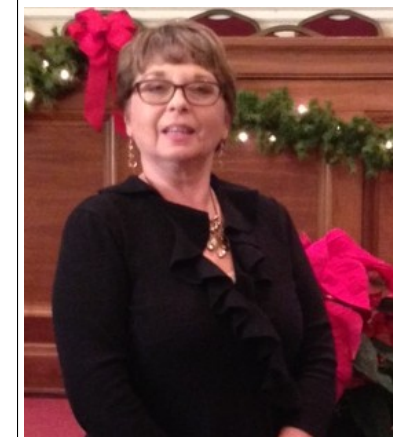
If you are unable to serve on your scheduled day please contact someone to switch or call Martha Gentry at (859) 734-0354.



Melissa Gribbins



Simon Louallen



Margaret Clark



Jacqueline Coleman & Chris O'Bryan

HALLOWEEN & LADIES TEA



Halloween 2016
Fun was had by all ages.



Ladies Tea



December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 3:30 pm CTI 5 pm TOPS 6 pm Youth Group Mtg. 6:30 pm Girl Scouts	2 8:30 am TicToc	3 8:30 am Thomas Graves Men's Group 8:30 am YMCA Breakfast with Santa
4 3 pm Caroling, Supper & Santa	5 8:30 am TicToc 3:30 pm K-5th Grade ASP 7 pm Friendship Circle	6 3:30 pm CTI 6 pm LINCS	7 8:30 am TicToc 12 pm Rotary 5:30 pm Family Ministry Team 6 pm Choir Practice	8 3:30 pm CTI 5 pm TOPS 6 pm Youth Group Mtg.	9 8:30 am TicToc	10 5 pm Music Academy Recital
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18 10:30 am Christmas Cantata, Christmas Sharing & Lunch	19 5 pm Community Meal 5:30 pm K-5th Grade Christmas Party	20	21	22 5 pm TOPS	23 OFFICE CLOSED	24 6 pm Christmas Eve Service
25 10:30 am Christmas Day Family Worship Merry Christmas	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27	28	29 2 pm Youth at Christian Life Center 5 pm TOPS	30	31 New Year's Eve

Sunday Worship Schedule
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10:15 am Fellowship Time
10:30 am Family Worship

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We are planning on hiring someone to cap the church chimney this winter to keep out the bats next year.

The Comprehensive Care building will be winterized. It has been listed on commercial and state web site as well as a "For Lease" sign placed in front of the building. No expressed interest at this time.

The December meeting for AMT has been cancelled. The next meeting will be Jan. 10, 2017.

I want to take this time to thank all those who have served on the Administrative Ministry Team and to the Congregation for the privilege to work through them.

Phil Richardson, Leader

OUTREACH MINISTRY TEAM

The next community dinner at our church will be on Monday, December 19. The serving time is 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Doors will open at 4:45pm and close up at 6:30pm. Please contact Leslie Hardman if you can help with the community dinner. We are looking for a volunteer to help Leslie organize the community meal each month.

Glenn Culbertson and Omar Santander reported in the worship service Sunday, November 20, on the Mission First project to help the animal rescue operated by Linda Hopper. Tiles were replaced and a new stove board was put under a wood heating stove. Some repair work was done to the front porch cornice. The cost will be covered from the designated outreach fund.

Budgeting for the Outreach ministry in 2017 was reviewed. A line item will be added for the Mission First physical projects. The line item for Community Meals is increased to cover costs in the range of the actual costs for the meals provided on the third Monday of each month.

Several donations have been made.

Dan Chilton, leader

FAMILY MINISTRY TEAM

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Lee Gentry, Leader

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