

The Monday Memo

Federated Church members look at the week ahead

Week of December 18, 2016

"Then after her baby is born, name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." MATTHEW 1:21 (CEV)

Come, Immanuel. Come and fill us today with your light, grace, and peace. Amen

Last week — In review

December 18, 2016: This Sunday was the Sunday School and Kids Club kids' Christmas Program, *God With Us*. The children did a great job retelling the Christmas story through narration and Christmas carols (there was even audience participation on some of the carols!). A big thank you to the teachers and volunteers for all your help in rehearsals and at the pageant, and to all the children for leading the church in worship today.

December 25, 2016: Next Sunday is Christmas Day! We will gather for worship at 10am, with Coffee Hour to follow at 11am.

This week — Looking ahead

We wish you a joyful holiday as we remember God with us and celebrate with family and friends. **Merry Christmas!**

No Youth Activities this Wednesday due to Christmas break. This includes kids club, confirmation classes, and youth groups.

Blue Christmas: This Wednesday, December 21, at 7pm at The Federated Church, along with other local congregations and Lake Region Chaplaincy, will be hosting a Blue Christmas Service. This service is intended to be a time of solace for anyone who, for whatever reason, may struggle to have a merry Christmas. Heather Rundquist will be sharing her story during the service.

Christmas Eve Services at the Federated Church: 5pm Lessons & Carols // 6pm potluck supper // 11pm Candlelight & Communion. Join us!

3rd Annual Federated Church Ice Fishing day trip: Saturday, January 7th; 7am to 7pm (sponsored by our Fellowship committee). Heated fish-houses supplied by Meister Guide Service. \$25 per fisherman. If you want to participate in this fun event, please contact Dennis Bowman 218-205-8147 or ffbowman@prtcl.com.

Prayer requests

Please remember the people on our prayer list.

If you have a prayer request, please notify the church office.

Weekly Calendar

MONDAY (12/19)

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY (12/20)

9:00am Parish Nurse

10:00pm Ladies' Coffee Hour

WEDNESDAY (12/21)

6:00pm Bell Rehearsal

7:00pm Blue Christmas Service

SATURDAY (12/24)

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00pm Lessons & Carols

6:00pm Potluck

11:00pm Candlelight & Communion

SUNDAY (12/25)

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

