



*Lead Pastor: Rev. Trina Bose North*

**BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM OF GOD!**

This last Sunday, the youth of our church reinterpreted The Beatitudes in modern language. They considered who is “blessed” in our day and age, especially in the context in which they live. One youth said, “Blessed are those who are bad a lot in school, for they need God’s peace.”

The Beatitudes were spoken in Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount. Jesus had just begun his ministry. He had called his disciples to follow him, and then he started preaching. This first sermon was filled with lessons on how to live. He talked about what was needed to bring forth God’s kingdom here on earth. In February, we will hear more of practical wisdom from the Sermon on the Mount.

Hopefully, we will feel the energy of the crowd, dropping everything to follow Jesus, gathering eagerly to hear the words of Christ. That is the whole point of Epiphany. We want to experience the “yes” and the wonder of meeting the Messiah.

We need to feel uplifted because, beginning on the first of March, everything shifts. Lent is when we enter the wilderness with Jesus. As he was tested, so are we. But at least we have this whole month to be awed and fall in love with Jesus the Christ. May we take full advantage of each Sunday left in Epiphany!



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**CHURCH EVENTS**

**FEBRUARY**

- 2-5 • Celebration of Scouts – 11:00 a.m.
- Souper Bowl lunch following 11:00 a.m.  
Bring your favorite soup to share.  
Buy your own dessert – Girl Scout cookies will be sold by our own troop.  
Bring canned foods for our church pantry.
- 2-5 • Trustee Meeting in the Fisherman Classroom – following lunch
- 2-8 • **Wednesday**, 5:30 p.m. – Finance Meeting
- 2-12 • SPRC Meeting at noon
- 2-15 • **Wednesday**, 11:00 a.m. - Ladies Day Out –
- 2-15 • Check the Gazette Valentine’s edition for our church wedding advertisement
- 2-19 • Youth meets after Church until 3:00 p.m.
- 2-22 • **Wednesday**, 6:30 p.m. - Supper Club
- 2-29 • Children’s Church Mission Project during the 11:00 a.m. service

**Lent and Easter schedule**

**MARCH**

- 3-1 • 6:30 p.m. - Ash Wednesday worship

Worship **each Sunday of Lent** will focus on the theme Roll Down, Justice.

**Each Wednesday of Lent** from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m., we will gather for evening prayer and exposure to a spiritual practice (like reading scripture, breath prayer). Dr. Amy Oden, professor of religion, will lead us in this time.

**APRIL**

- 4-13 • Maundy Thursday Worship – 6:30 p.m.
- 4-16 • Easter worship will be at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. with our Egg Hunt at noon.

## OUR NEW ROOF

By Jared Pickens

The Trustees are proud to announce that work on our roof has been completed!

As Chair, there are quite a few folks that I would like to thank for their tireless efforts throughout this project. I would like to ask that we all thank these wonderful people in person when we see them. What an absolutely tremendous amount of time and effort each of them has contributed over the last year.

**Elizabeth Anthony** - If it were not for the optimistic passion, endless energy, and dogged determination of Elizabeth Anthony we would never have received funding for this project. Elizabeth worked on this project for more than 2 years building a case for our insurance claim, fighting to secure it, and leading the charge to begin work. Thank you Elizabeth!

**Lane Neal** - Its always good to have an attorney on your side, even better to have one that answers your phone call! Lane consistently supplied crucial policy and legal opinions throughout the project and helped with numerous issues along the way including project walkthrough and analysis of work. Thank you Lane!

**Bill McKnight** - Few know our facilities as well as Bill McKnight, some might even say he is an expert! Bill's skills and experience proved insightful throughout the project. Thank you Bill!

**Jim Hayes, Trina Bose North, Libby Campbell, Colleen Bicket, Julie Williams, and the Board of Trustees** - All of these folks played an important role throughout the whole project, whether it was accounting for insurance claim receipts, answering phone calls and opening doors, or helping secure scaffolding. Thank you Jim, Trina, Libby, Colleen, Julie, and my fellow Trustees for your hard work!

Lastly, I would like to thank each member of our congregation for their patience and positive attitude for the last 12 months. Thank you!

We now have a new roof, let's put more and more people under it so we can do more ministry!

Jared Pickens, Board of Trustees

## IMPORTANT PARKING UPDATE

In collaboration with our terrific neighbors The Vine Community Church, we are working together to reserve the small parking lot across 37th Street just south of our building for those with limited mobility. Please take care to park **only** in the general parking area on the west side of Western Avenue or on the street unless you have limited mobility. There is a very limited amount of spaces in this small lot and we need to make sure that it is free to be used by those who need it. Thank you!



## LIGHTING UPDATE

How blessed we are to worship in a beautiful sanctuary! Unfortunately, many of you have probably noticed that it is not as bright and shining as it used to be. The Trustees have negotiated bids to completely replace our sanctuary lighting with new LED fixtures, these will greatly enhance our services and cost us significantly less to operate. The total cost of this project is nearly \$12,000.

A few private donations have already been made towards this project and Phyllis Henry has asked that monies donated in memory of Rev. Bill Henry be used as well. While enough funds have been received to start the project - we would also like to ask for your help. If you would like to support this project, please label your donation "lighting". If you would like to give in honor of someone please note that on your donation so that we can notify the honoree or family by letter.

Thank you for maintaining our sacred space!

ITEMS NEEDED

- February 5
  - Non-Perishable foods for church pantry
  - Pop top lids are better for the homeless.
  - Consider cans of foods that are healthier and full meals.
- By February 22
  - large containers of powder laundry detergent (example 200 oz., about \$20 at Sam’s), need 12 large containers
  - empty disposable water bottles about 16 oz, need 175 bottles
- Throughout February
  - Paper plates, bowls, plastic utensils and cups to restock our church pantry
  - 70 candy bars (Snickers, Kit Kats, Take 5) for teachers at Putnam Heights Elementary School
  - Travel sized shampoos, conditioners, lotions, soaps (hotel size)
  - Homemade cookies 24 in each gallon ziplock, placed in Children’s freezer in the kitchen

For youth meetings, church desserts, and our homebound members



GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

By Jamie Gross & Katie Langer

Our Girl Scout Troop #584 is getting ready for cookie sales. Our big kickoff will be at the Souper Bowl Luncheon, Sunday, February 5th through the end of March.

Join us for soup and buy your dessert from our Girl Scouts.



MONTHLY CHILDREN’S MISSION

By Kate Williams & Rachel Newman

Kate and Rachel will be working on a monthly mission project with the Children from our church. On the last Sunday of each month during the 11:00 a.m. worship service, they are planning some kind of project to help people inside and outside our walls. We are grateful for their stepping forward and for this opportunity for our children.

Please note they are asking for laundry detergent and empty water bottles for the February project.



FEBRUARY SERMONS

- February 5 Matthew 5:13-20 from the Sermon on the Mount  
**Taste and See That God Is Good**  
Come sing “Bring Forth the Kingdom of God” in a call and response, led by Ryan Brown
- February 12 Matthew 5:38-48 from the Sermon on the Mount  
**But I Say to You...**
- February 19 Matthew 8:1-4, first miracle in this gospel  
**#wonderful**
- February 26 Transfiguration of Christ,  
Matthew 16:13-20 and 17:1-9  
**Who Do You Say I Am?**

CHURCH STAFF

Trina Bose North, Lead Pastor

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|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Stacy Gilbert Coombe | Administrative Assistant      |
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| Mario Estrada        | Custodian                     |
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| Jay Williams         | Youth/Children Minister       |
| Katie Langer         | Nursery Coordinator           |
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## December – January Highlights



December 11, 2016

Our children performed their Christmas program called *Do Not Be Afraid*. These little actors wowed us with their commitment and talent! We were all so impressed!

December 24, 2016

Christmas Eve worship was absolutely beautiful. This year we had one service at 7:00 pm, and 164 people attended. We sang all our favorite carols, heard “O Holy Night” sung beautifully, and lit candles for Jesus, the light of the world. Christmas came to us that night!



January 8, 2017

We celebrated Baptism of Our Lord Sunday with a baptism of our own. We welcomed Cadence Carol into the church and baptized her with water and the Spirit. District Superintendent Rockford Johnson assisted in the sacrament and visited with church leaders after worship.