

Christmas Sunday

December 25, 2022

Lighting of the Advent Candle:

Call to Worship: Patsy Nicholson

Welcome/Announcements: Pastor Jordan Wright

Invocation: Pastor Jordan Wright

Worship: "Joy to the World" #270

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Danny Janes

Special Music: Mark Kenchel

Sermon: Pastor Danny Janes

"A Christmas Story"

Scripture: Selected

Closing Prayer: Pastor Danny Janes

Prayer Requests

Wendy Overman Badenhop, Willie Cockerham, Rick Durham, Nancy Friddle, Herb Gibson, Charles Hennis, Noah Holland, Angela Holt, Brenda Holt, David James, Jennifer Jordan, Betty Kington, Peggy Knowles, Julie McCormick, Anthony Pegram, Mark Ransom, Mike Rash, Ed Sebastian, Kay Tingen

HOLIDAY GREETINGS AND THANKS: On



behalf of the Liberty Wesleyan Church staff, **Tanna & I, Jordan & Madison**, and **Amy** would like to wish our entire

Liberty Wesleyan Church family a **Blessed Christmas** and **New Year's** celebration. Thank you for all the cards, gifts, kind words, Christmas bonuses, and love you've extended to us this Christmas – and throughout 2022. We pray that God will multiply the blessing and return them to all of you. May your New Year be filled with the power of His presence and peace! God Bless!

Your Pastoral Staff

POINSETTIAS: Thank you for placing the beautiful Christmas poinsettias that have decorated our sanctuary again this year. If you didn't take yours last Sunday, you are welcome to select the flower(s) of your choice to take home with you following this morning's service.

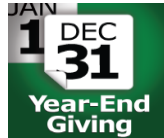


SCHEDULE CHANGE: Due to the Christmas and New Year holidays, **we will not have Awana, Youth, or Adult Bible Study**

Wednesday, December 28. We will have **No Sunday School on December 25 or January 1.** We will have **normal morning service at 10:00 a.m.** on these dates We hope those of you going to be with family, will enjoy safe travel, and all will be blessed with wonderful Christmas and New Year celebrations!

OFFICE HOURS: Due to the holiday week, our office hours will be limited. Please call before coming to ensure someone is there.

YEAR-END GIVING: For tax purposes, many people like to designate the church in their year-end giving. To assist our treasurer in closing out the church books, contributions for **2022** should be received by **Sunday, December 25.** Thank you for your faithful stewardship.



"CUP of GRACE" LADIES BIBLE STUDY:

Please join us beginning **January 3, at 6:30 p.m.** for a "Cup of Grace". This will be a coffee hour to relax and enjoy a devotional reading and chat with friends, new & old. "Cup of Grace" will meet the first Tuesday of every month. To **RSVP** or for more information contact **Marti Hyatt (336-706-0074), Tanna Janes (336-482-8246), or Trish Naylor (336-202-8546).**



WESLEYAN WOMEN: All ladies are invited to join us on **January 12, at 6:30 p.m.** for our January monthly Wesleyan Women's meeting. Missionary



Angie Hemric. will be our guest speaker, sharing her missionary work in Guyana. Sign-up sheets will be available January 8.

DISCOVERY/MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Pastor

Discovery/Membership Class



Danny will be starting a new Discovery/Membership Class during the New Year **(beginning January 15th).**

It will be offered during the regular **Sunday School hour, 9:00 – 9:40 a.m.** in the Pastor's Study. Sign-up sheets are on the Welcome Center counter and back hallway bulletin board.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:



The American Red Cross will be holding a **Blood Drive on Monday, January 16, from 2:30**

p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Please contact **Tricia Durham 336-269-1453** or **Donna Durham 336-587-4637** to sign up or if you have any questions. You can also sign-up at www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING REPORT: Thank



you for your giving! As of last Sunday, our annual "March to the Manger" Christmas

Offering has received \$18,320.88 This is a tremendous help to us in closing the gap in our budget needs for the year. If you were unable to give your Christmas Offering last Sunday, it is still greatly appreciated today. You can also designate your Christmas Offering by giving online through our Givelify app. **GOD BLESS YOU!**

SYMPATHY: Our condolences and prayers are extended to the **Linda Ward family.** Linda passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, December 17, surrounded by her family. She had battled cancer since March of 2022. Linda has been an



active member of Liberty Wesleyan since 1959. She also loved being involved in the Wesleyan Women's group, the Fellowship Workers Sunday School Class, and the Young at Heart Ministry. A funeral service was held at the church on Wednesday, December 21, with burial following in the church cemetery. Please keep Ralph, Travis, R.J., and the Ward family in your prayers.

WINTER WEATHER POLICY: In the event



of Sundays or Wednesday nights where our services might be delayed or canceled,

we will do our best to keep you informed. **First,** we will post any service changes on our Liberty Wesleyan website and Facebook page. **Second,** we will try to send out a Phone Tree message as early as possible. **Third,** we will send an e-mail to everyone we have an address for. **Fourth,** we will list cancellations on the following television stations: **WFMY Channel 2, WGHP Channel 8, & WXII Channel 12.**

Offering for Sunday, December 18, 2022

Sunday School	\$26.00
Missions	\$10.00
Offering	\$17,027.00
Online	<u>\$1,293.88</u>
Total Received	\$18,356.88
Youth	\$30.00

Budget Conf. Year 2022-2023	\$294,999.00
December 2022 - Budget Assigned	\$22,264.08
Weekly Budget Assigned	\$5,566.02
Amount Rec 3 Sunday(s) in Dec.	\$32,826.80
Amt Rec'd as of Dec. 18, 2022	\$192,567.11
Budgeted amount for week 34	\$189,244.64

Tellers: Larry Angel and Milton Todd



Date: Dec. 25, 2022

Text: Selected

Today's message is different from a regular Sunday. Christmas Day rarely falls on a Sunday. Pastor Danny has been working on a unique presentation for this morning. For those who enjoy hearing the Sermon on the Mount the pastor presents every-other year, I hope that you will enjoy *"The Christmas Story."*

The Christmas story that we all know and love is found, primarily, in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Although Mark's Gospel is believed to be the original record of Jesus written – Mark didn't record any details of Christ's birth. And although John deals with Jesus' arrival – he doesn't try to re-tell the wonderful story of Bethlehem, Mary, Joseph, or the other details of the Nativity.

Pastor Danny has attempted to memorize *"The Christmas Story"* in chronological order. This morning, he will be intermingling video clips and sharing the wonderful story in the following order:

- **John 1:1-5**
- **Luke 1:26-35**
- **Matthew 1:18-25**
- **Luke 2:1-20**
- **Matthew 2:1-12**
- **John 1:10:14**
- **Isaiah 9:6-7**
- **John 3:16**

Merry Christmas from Pastor Danny & Tanna!

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