



The Christmas season is a favorite time of the year for many people. They love the light, decorations, the parties, the meaning, and the overall feel of this time.

But Christmas can be a hard time for many people. They have trouble many times enjoying the last couple of hours of Christmas Day because they know that it will soon be over.

In this moment, they feel despair. What keeps them going is the hope that they will see another Christmas. This is true of many senior citizens.

The count down for another Christmas immediately begins as they remember each day is a step closer to the season that they love so much.

I believe that the disciples experienced similar feelings of yearning. Jesus had been taken from them when He was crucified.

Then He arose.....only to ascend into heaven, leaving them alone again. But the hope that they would see Christ again, kept them moving forward.

Remembering all that He had taught them and all the wonderful things He had said and done kept their eyes and hearts focused on Him in heaven.

We need that same hope each day, the hope that will carry us through every day. That hope is in Christ, who is near us in every season.

That hope overcomes despair and will carry us until we see Christ face to face. We must look to a faithful God who will encourage us when we feel that despair and help us to hold on to the hope we had in Him.

A word of truth spoken at the right time, and in the right spirit can change everything about us and about our lives. It's like the clear sound rising above a noisy crowd!

Pastor John

POINSETTIAS



The beautiful poinsettia flowers that have graced our sanctuary throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons were given in honor and memory of the following people:

In Memory of Wanda Reuss

In Memory of Ruth Reuss

Joe Reuss

In Memory of Allen Clint

In Memory of A.J. Daigle

Monica Clint & Mark Daigle

In Memory of Mr. Blair James

In Memory of Mrs. Carey James

Gail James

In Memory of Parents & In-Laws

In Memory of Maxine Ross and

Jenny Ozment

Rev. Wanda Ritchea & Family

In Memory of Our Parents

Wayne & Sonja Wolf

In Memory of Floyd Boedeker

Evelyn & Girls

In Memory of William Reid

In Honor of Elizabeth Family and

Tina Family

Elizabeth Bates, Ronnie White & Ronald Bell

In Memory Terry Arnim

In Honor of Charla & Bobby Jones

Mildred & Stayton Weldon

In Honor of Memory of Bob & Dick Bishop and

Dave & Rosina Calliham

In Honor of The Glory of God

In Honor of My Children-

Stephanie, Amy & Nelson, David & Jenny

In Honor of My Grandchildren &

Great Grandchildren

Jeanine Calliham

In Memory of Britsch Family & Jones Family

Pastor John & Betty Britsch

In Memory of Dustin Slovacek

In Honor of Honey & PaPa and

Grandmother & Moo

Logan, Kayla & Walker Pickett

In Memory of Ann Drehr


In Memory of Deloris Heidaker

B.J. & Jackie Drehr

In Honor of My Mom - Jeanine Calliham

Amy Prince




January Schedule
Worship Leaders 

Date	Liturgist	Ushers	Children's Sermon
1-2-2022	Tom Cheatham	Sue Halbert Dorothy Brown	
1-9-2022	Sarah Ritchea	Mildred & Stayton Weldon	Colette Barth
1-16-2022	Colette Barth	Bobby & Charla Jones	Sarah Ritchea
1-23-2022	Bobby Jones	Tom Cheatham Sue Halbert	Rev. Wanda Ritchea
1-30-2022	Sarah Ritchea	Mildred & Stayton Weldon	Colette Barth

L. I. F. F. T. NEWS
*Ladies In Faith &
Fellowship Together*


Meeting
January 19
10:00am

Church Office Closed
Monday,
January 17

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr's
Birthday Observance

UMW
United Methodist Women

Meeting
January 17
6:30pm

C.A.M.A.L. House
BLANKET DRIVE
Donations Needed
Blankets accepted at the
Church office.
Call Pam at 361-275-5272 for more information.

Financial Information
December 2021
Revenues - \$7,387
Expenditures - \$7,071


 **Hymn Sing**
&
Potluck Luncheon
Sunday
January 30, 2022
10:30am 
Call Pam for your song requests
And more information!



Birthdays

B.J. Drehr	7 th
Jackie Drehr	7 th
Sean Wolf	8 th
Stayton Weldon	12 th
Betty Farris	15 th
Rose Mary Burk	17 th
Beverly Wagner	21 st
Katie Etlinger	28 th



Anniversaries

Bobby & Charla Jones	6 th
Kayla & Logan Pickett	16 th

C.A.M.A.L. House Collection for January: **Peanut Butter**

