

The Word

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Pastor's Notes

Well, 2020 is here. I was talking with someone the other day and they, like I, always felt like 2020 was such a futuristic sounding year. I guess we are now in the future. In Philippians 3:13 Paul said he does not look at what lies

behind but strains to see what lies in front of him. In context he is talking about what he was compared to who he gets to be in Christ. I think the same can be true about the church as well. The past is...well, past. But the future is bright and full of all kinds of opportunities!

I thought it might be good though to take a quick look at 2019 before we examine some things that lie before us in 2020.

In 2019 we celebrated as 10 individuals made a statement of faith and were baptized and we added 29 new members to the church roles. While I don't place a lot of value on increasing the number of people on the role of the church (placing them on the role in heaven is much more important) I do place value on what God is doing here and the fact that so many people see God at work here too. Plus I believe these 29 people have the great opportunity to grow in their knowledge and faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Over the course of 2019 we watched as our weekly attendance continued to grow as well. We have averaged 106 people in our weekly service. So far this year our Kingdom Kidz program, a ministry to the young adults age 3yr, -5th grade grew as well. An average of 60 children participated each Wednesday night along with many youth and adult leaders.

With sadness but with an eye towards heaven, we saw 9 of our members move from the bounds of earth to their forever home in heaven.

As 2020 unfolds we have great expectations for our youth. Our Sunday night youth program saw 27 at times and an average around 15-18 each week. We are looking forward to taking many of them to serve again at non-profits in the summer in Austin TX and Denver. Fund raising is a big part of what the youth need to do to help offset the cost of these trips.

Mark your calendar for VBS in 2020. It is scheduled for June 1st-4th. A trip in September to Peru is being discussed as well as many other mission opportunities locally and regionally.

As you think about Wiggins Community Church, please be praying about how God would have you support His mission through your time, your talents and your treasure. There are many ways to serve God's Kingdom. One of the strongest ways I would ask is for each of us to step up our prayers. Prayers for blessing but also prayers for protection. Satan's modus operandi has always been to kill, steal and destroy anything that God is doing on earth. It is no different for the church. Because we are seeing God's kingdom grow here and throughout the Wiggins area, Satan most assuredly will try and target us. But greater is He that is in us than He that is in the world. Prayers in this regard make all the difference. They bind Satan and pour out God's blessings upon the church. I would also ask that you pray for me, your Pastor, that I may teach the word as God lays it upon my heart, that I may minister to those in need, that I may disciple and lead the flock in a manner that is pleasing to the Lord.

Through my eyes, 2020 is looking very futuristic indeed. Great things are in store for us as we keep our eyes on the prize of knowing and lifting us Jesus.

In Christ's love,

Pastor Darrel

Church Events

Kingdom Kidz

Resumes January 15
Wednesdays at 5:30 PM

Youth Gathering

Sundays at 6:30 PM

Women's Fellowship

January 7

WCC Board

January 7 at 6:30 PM

All Committee Meeting

January 12

Committee Reports due

January 19

Annual Meeting

February 16



Pastor Darrel's Office Hours

Tuesday – Friday
2:00PM to 5:00PM



Helping Hands

Food Pantry

Winter hours:
Wednesdays 9AM-11PM
Thursdays 4PM-6PM



Reach Up Reach In Reach Out

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Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM

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JANUARY Birthdays

Glen Gray	2-Jan
Bill Stahley	3-Jan
Madison Barkdoll	4-Jan
Nancy Chesley	4-Jan
Terry Sauer	5-Jan
Gilbert Meier	6-Jan
Nick Clary	8-Jan
Robert Forsha	9-Jan
Nichelle Clary	10-Jan
Lisa Finegan	11-Jan
Doris Neb	11-Jan
Richard Neb	11-Jan
Gideon Doughty	12-Jan
Christine Egger	12-Jan
Brad Shutts	12-Jan
Sarah Buluran	13-Jan
Lindsay Klecka	13-Jan
Kaitlyn Schroeder	14-Jan
Grant Wymore	16-Jan
Pam Bland	16-Jan
Jewel Eskew	16-Jan
Jeannie Hawthorne	16-Jan
Rosana Chamberlain	19-Jan
Florence Barnett	20-Jan
Leslie Sauer Witt	20-Jan
Elizabeth Meyer	21-Jan
Dixie Whorlow	23-Jan
Kiya Whorlow	24-Jan
Chris Sandoval Jr.	24-Jan
Viola Shoemaker	25-Jan
Darlene Ruyle	27-Jan
Emma Thomas	27-Jan
Pete Kammerzell	28-Jan
Sheree Baessler	29-Jan
McKenzie Cuckow	29-Jan
Kindra Green	31-Jan
Jaycee Lingo	31-Jan



January 5

Charles, Donna, Gideon,

Offering Stewards

January 5- Gideon & Ron
January 12- Sharon & Glen
January 19- Rick & David
January 26- Donna & Charles

YOUTH SNACK

January 5-Diana S.
January 12- Mike H.
January 19-Tamara B.
January 26- Sorenson

Children's Message

January 5- Tracy
January 12- Cheryl P.
January 19-John & Peggy
January 26- Lorie B.



PANTRY NEWS

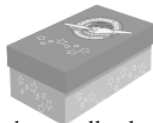
Thank you to everyone who made food donations to the pantry! We are so blessed! December was a very busy month! We served 68 people.

Thank you to
Wiggins Elementary School
Long Meadow 4H Club
Blue Lightning
High Plains Bank

& the many others who keep us stocked!

Confirmation Class Beginning

Confirmation classes begin on January 19th at 4:30-6:30PM and will run for 12 weeks at the parsonage. Pastor Darrel & Michal are leading them again this year. Please contact them if you want your child to participate – (785) 527-1540.



Mission News

Thanks to all who brought the Operation Christmas Shoeboxes. We were able to send 43 boxes! They were delivered to Mexico and USA Native American sites. Thanks to the Youth group who helped put the boxes together and also helped get them ready to ship.

Care packages filled with snacks, hand sanitizers, soup, mac n cheese, cookies, Emergen-C, hot chocolate and other items have been given or sent to 15 college youth to let them know we are thinking of them at finals, at Christmas time, and always. We also invited them to come to any of the Christmas services when they are home. If you see any of our young people home say hi and find out what they have been doing, and encourage them.

We also want to thank and honor those who are serving in the military:

Air Force- Doug Ruyle, Nathan Sobolewski, (Donna Oleari's nephew), Chris Banks (Tim and Judy Wunsch's nephew)
Marines- Mark Weinstein Jr, Brendan Wilson,
Army Reserves: Curtis Sauer

We continue to send our weekly bulletins and updates to those who are unable to come to church. If you know of someone who would like to receive this information please let the office know.

WCC Board News

The WCC Board met for its monthly meeting on December 3rd. Joan Wilson and Donna Oleari were absent. The meeting was called to order by Gideon Oleari at 6:36 PM. Pastor Darrel provided a short lesson for the board related to Growing in Godly Character. God calls us to be holy in all of our conduct as God is holy. The reference is from 1st Peter 1:15. Anger is growing around us, both nationally and locally. We need to know how to redeem the anger we have. We need to think about the praise we can give and dwell on those things. What do we think about in our minds? Speech is really important, the things that we say. What we take in plays a role. If all we take in is the world and not the Lord, then we can fall into an evil trap. We need wisdom, but what comes from Heaven. That will carry the good fruit that we need. The board compared what Godly wisdom vs. Ungodly wisdom looks like. Are we producing true wisdom through being with Christ?

Financial Secretary and Treasurer's Reports were provided by Sharon Ruyle. It was a good month overall as we averaged 108 attendance in the month, averaging 106 for the year. We brought in a total of \$12,892.76 for the month, including \$9980 in pledge and \$200 for the food bank. The profit/loss statement was also provided and we had a net income for the month of \$4301.78. The expense report showed a modest expenditure for the month, totaling \$7144.21 to date.

New business for the month included agreeing to a cash management system through the bank for control and access of the accounts. Also, pastor evaluations were discussed to show items that were considered of most importance to the board and congregation. The next WCC board meeting will be January 7th at 6:30. **The yearbook committee is asked to attend the January meeting.**

Reports for the Yearbook are due by email to the office not later than January 19.

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Kingdom Kids resumes on January 15.



All Committee Meeting

The All Committee Meeting will be held on January 12 following worship & lunch. (Bring a soup or dessert. Sandwiches will be provided.) Please plan to attend if you are on any church committee. Reports will be due by January 19. The Annual Meeting will be held February 16.



Registration for Night to Shine is open!!

Night to Shine is Feb 7, 2020 at the Ft Morgan High School
www.neconts.com



KEEP SEEKING HIM