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MEETING TIMES Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 AM 10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

Elders: Wayne Hardcastle, Ron Marks, Sergio Cercado, Melvin Nalls, & Tony Lawton **Deacons:** Rick Rossner & Larry Thompson

Join us after church today for our Fish Fry Potluck!

We'll be having another potluck Dec 15th If you can, sign up, to bring a dish on the list in the fover

We will be having **Brunch** together on Sunday **Dec 22 @ 9am** Bible class will resume the following week.

Please **sign up** in the foyer if you plan to attend our catered Christmas lunch Dec 25 @ 12pm

The building is reserved for March 1st. Please keep that in mind when planning events.

> We will be hosting a **discipleship workshop** March 7–9th. Please invite a friend!

> > Anniversaries



Birthdays Jammy Pfeifer Verna Kirkpatrick

Joe and Rhonda Apodaca





EXETER **CHURCH** OF CHRIST

Sharing the love of Christ, growing in relationship to Christ and one another, and serving God by serving others



But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

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Order of Worship

Sunday, December 08, 2024

Share Time: Richard Pfeifer Song Leader: Tony Lawton Opening Song: Somewhere in Your Silent Night Songs: O, Come, All Ye Faithful What Child Is This? Unto Us A Son Is Given Morning Prayer: Larry Thompson Mid-Service Songs: Why Did My Savior Come To Earth? Jesus, Thy Name I Love Communion/Offering: Tony Lawton After Communion Song: Go Rest High On A Mountain Sermon: Steave Gipson Song of Invitation: Oh, How Good It Is! Closing Prayer Jesse Gipson

Tammy's Touch

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

If you're looking for something to meditate on this Christmas, just think about this description of Jesus...

He is a wonderful counselor. Counselors gently guide us and help us work through the hardest circumstances of life. They help us get to the depth of our wounds and walk into healing (Jesus happens to be wonderful at that). He is Mighty God. This word "mighty" is defined as "strength, power, hero, warrior". He is the God who can fight any battle and will win because nothing can stand against Him (and He is on our side).

He is Everlasting Father. He is outside of time- He exists a thousand years ago, today and is already a thousand years in the future. He is not defined by time but exists eternally all at once. He is the creator of time and invites us to an eternity with Him.

He is Prince of Peace. Is there anything more beautiful to think about than a Prince that IS peace and pours out peace onto His children, and never ever runs out of it?

Keep in Prayer

Ida Mae Ayers had a successful surgery and is recovering at home

Dolores' Friend Ann Reaves dealing will multiple health issues with no diagnosis.

George and Brenda Plumlee's Daughter Brenda has been diagnosed with thyroid cancer and will be having surgery sometime in December.

Ron Marks is recovering from foot surgery. Please pray that God will bring complete healing.

Sergio's Friends Alfred Barajas and Benny Morales – Both facing the possibility of losing a foot.

Dolores Cercado is still waiting for test results.

Rick Rosner Please keep Rick's sister Shelley Rosner-Harris in your prayers as she battles cancer.

Larry Thompson– asks for prayers for him while he awaits surgery at the end of March 2025.

Darlene Hardcastle– healing from knee replacement surgery. **Jim and Linda Templeton** – Jim has cancer and has been diagnosed with Leukemia also.

Vickey Burchfield is dealing with depression

Sergio Cercado is dealing with chronic back issues.

Steve Ooley – He is at Westgate, 4525 W. Tulare, Visalia. **Barbara Bream** – Chronic medical issues that Stanford finally identified.

These are just a few of the descriptors of our Jesus.

This season gets so busy. And so many of us are stressed or deeply hurting. I know it can be hard to feel this, but I pray you have an encounter where you can find a quiet place to reflect on this, and rejoice on what's true.

I pray this doesn't get lost on any of us. There is no better news!