



Christmas Eve Communion: Monday, December 24 at 7 PM, Sanctuary

Join us on this night of reverence as we commune in remembrance of the one who saved us, the one who forgave us, the great I Am, the Savior of the world -- our Emmanuel.



Lottie Moon Christmas Offering It's not too late to give!

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering sends and supports missionaries serving among unreached peoples in unreached places. **We will be accepting Lottie Moon Offerings the whole month of December!**



ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS

Sunday, December 23

Fourth Day of Advent

No Evening Meetings

8:45 AM - Media Center Open

9 AM - Morning Worship,

No First Kids Worship

10 AM - Life Groups/Sunday School

11 AM - Morning Worship

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve

Church Office Closed

7 PM - Christmas Eve Communion, Sanctuary

LC Reserved, Christmas Day Lunch

Tuesday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, December 26

No Evening Meetings

Sunday, December 30

No Evening Meetings

(Youth to Big God Camp: Dec. 30 - Jan. 1)

8:45 AM - Media Center Open

9 AM - Morning Worship,

No First Kids Worship

10 AM - Life Groups/Sunday School

11 AM - Morning Worship

Tuesday, January 1

New Years Day

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, January 2

6 PM - Prayer Meeting ONLY

Saturday, January 5

12:30 - 3:30 PM - LCDR & K Reserved

GA's Lottie Moon Post Office

The GA's are collecting Christmas Cards to deliver to Life Groups/Sunday School classes each Wednesday and Sunday through January 2nd. The cost for the GA's to send your letter is \$.25 or any donation. Please deposit your cards and donation in the blue mail box that is located right outside the church office.

All monies collected will be donated to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.



Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who donated bows, wrapping paper, calendars, stockings, candy, note pads, and ornaments to the Toy Store. Our guests really liked them! Please keep your eye out for after Christmas sales of these items for 2019. Remember, we can use gently used items from your homes, along with medium to large Christmas gift bags.

Along with all the families we served at the Toy Store, we were able to take what was left to bless other ministries who serve families in need, such as: The Shoebox Ministry, Caldwell Pregnancy Care Center, Baptist Children's Homes, Christmas Day Lunch, Women's Shelter, and Bethel Colony of Mercy. We also sent days worth of chocolates to the Hudson Police Dept., Hudson Fire Dept., Lenoir Police Dept., Lenoir Fire Dept., Lenoir EMS, Cald. County Sheriffs Dept., Lenoir & Hudson Hospice, and Caldwell Memorial Hospital to thank them for their service!

Sincerely, Andra Kunkle

New Semi-Monthly Newsletters! Starting January 2019

Our weekly newsletter, *The Messenger*, will be switching to a semi-monthly schedule. *The Messenger* will be sent on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. This change will begin in January, 2019.

In the future, if you have an announcement you wish to place in *The Messenger*, please notify our Ministry Assistant, Morgan Cook, by the last Monday of the month prior to the 1st week (to have it issue in the 1st week's newsletter), or by the 2nd Monday of the month (to have it issue in the 3rd week's newsletter). Your announcement is limited to 65 words maximum.

Note: Those of you who are receiving *The Messenger* in a hardcopy mailing, you can now switch to our e-mail newsletter to receive it instantly to your inbox! Just go to hudsonfirst.org and click on the "Resources" tab, click "Newsletter & Calendar" and at the bottom of the page, you can subscribe your e-mail to our listing.



Christmas Day Lunch! It's not too late to Volunteer



We want to thank all who have completed volunteer forms for the Christmas Day Lunch. If you are available Christmas Day, it is not too late to volunteer. If you need a meal delivered we are still scheduling deliveries until Friday, December 21st, contact the church office, 828-728-4297.

Desserts, Desserts, Desserts.... We know there are some terrific bakers in our church family. You may bring your desserts to the Life Center dining room on Christmas Eve between 5 - 6 PM. If you are volunteering, you can drop them off Christmas Day before 10 AM.

Here are a few things to remember on Christmas Day:

- *Wear comfortable, slip resistant shoes.*
- *Wear comfortable, appropriate clothing. If you are serving, please do not wear flowing garments.*
- *Hats can be worn. Those with long hair should have it pulled up, if working in serving lines.*
- *Kitchen staff and delivery drivers should park at the back of the LC dining room. All other volunteers should park so that our guest can access the building easily.*
- *All volunteers should check in at the volunteer table located in the LC dining room upon arrival.*
- *If you are a volunteer and have planned to meet family or friends, please meet them in the lobby area of the LC at a designated time, so that they or other volunteers are not having to search for you.*
- *All volunteers please take the time to fellowship during the lunch with either a guest or with your family.*

Without all of **YOU** the Christmas Day Lunch would not be possible. Continue to pray for this ministry. We hope to see you ALL on Christmas Day.

-The CDL Team

Report for December 16, 2018

Sunday School Enrollment	511
Sunday School Attendance	277
Worship Attendance	454

Name Correction Below

Designated Gifts Received on Dec. 2, 2018

Lottie Moon	990.00
<i>(Included in honor of Ronnie & Anne Simmons, Neil & Lou Annas, and Jakie & Robin Ramsey)</i>	

Designated Gifts Received

Back Pack Food Ministry	75.00
Christmas Day Lunch	345.00
<i>(Includes in memory of Ward Mikeal and Earl and Irene Dyson)</i>	
Community Outreach	25.00
Lottie Moon	8,677.39
<i>(Includes in memory of Jim Kincaid, Hermon Smith and Bill Teeters)</i>	

Nursery	60.00
Shoebboxes	55.00
Toy Store Fund	1,683.00
<i>(Includes in honor of the Pastors & Staff)</i>	

Total Designated 10,920.39

General Funds Required Year-to-Date	175,241.00
% Received Year-to-Date	100%
General Funds Receipts are currently matching our needs.	

Senior Adult Planning Breakfast January 17, 2019 Meet at Clarence's at 8:30 AM

If you are a Senior Adult and are interested in being a part of the planning for the 2019 Sr. Adult activities, please come to Clarence's for a "Planning Breakfast" with Paul Renfrow on January 17! There is no sign up sheet, you may just show up if you want to come!



**NO First Kids Worship
on Dec. 23 & Dec. 30
A Special Kids Time will be offered in the
9 AM Service**



- December 17 Tim Alley
(Sorry we missed you!)
- December 23 Fred McLean
Martha Oxford
Heather Lackey
- December 24 Keith Kincaid
- December 25 Mack Jarvis Jr.
- December 26 Cathy Stokes
- December 27 Corey Kincaid
Donna Wilkinson
- December 28 Brant Nichols
Tom Johnson
- December 29 Dianne Bumgarner
Nancy Ramsey
- December 30 Peggy McLean
Jeannie Hollar
- December 31 Mike Moody
- January 1 Adam Greene
- January 2 Mary Watts
Skyler Shew

**NURSERY WORKERS:
December 23, 2018**

- 9 AM:** Rebecca & Daniel Woodbury,
Debbie Shell, Judy Hartley
- 11 AM:** Wilnita Cloer, Linda Rash,
Leslie Fleming, Emmagene Jenkins



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