

Community of Christ

Lamoni Congregation: Growing Community

December 9, 2007

Judy Badder, Ron Ellis, Stu Sherman, Co-pastors

9:30 a.m. Christian Education Classes

10:30 a.m. Fellowship and Visiting Time

Bring Hope!

10:40 a.m. Christmas Carols

Communication Time

Tammy Everett

Worship Preparation

Caleb Maupin

Welcome

Nici Piedimonte

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Choral Ministry

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

Gospel Choir

Scripture Reading

Al Loughran

Invocation

Nathanial Ralston

Reading

Tara Stevens

Choral Ministry

Gospel Choir

Offertory

Response

Greg Hensley

Choir

Children’s Moment

Maggie Bennett

Hymn

“Hope of the World”

HS 208

Sermon

Dan Gregory

Ministry of Music

Caleb Maupin

Hymn

“Good Christian Friends Rejoice”

HS 260

Benediction

Al Loughran

Others assisting today include:

Ushers: Marie Hawley, Barb McKiernan, Becky Shantz

A/V: Rick Zieger

Bell Ringer: Kelsey Shantz

Greeters: Doris McElroy, Eldeen Church

Administration Available

Elders will be available after Sunday services for anyone desiring administration to the sick. For those desiring administration, please see one of the elders in front of the rostrum after the morning worship service.

Childcare

Childcare (supervised by an adult) is available in the preschool room south of the balcony for anyone who wishes to use it during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

HS -Hymns of the Saints (big burgundy hymnal) SP -Sing for Peace (small burgundy hymnal) NS -Sing a New Song (small gold hymnal)
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events

Wed. Dec. 12	6:00 p.m.	Potluck
	7:00 p.m.	Family Night Activities
	8:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thurs. Dec. 13	7:00 p.m.	Book of Mormon Class at Joan Green's
Sun. Dec. 16	9:30 a.m.	Church School
	10:40 a.m.	Communication Time – Charlee Redick Interlude – April Ergo Service of Music and Drama
	12:00 noon	Soup Luncheon

Our Mission

The Lamoni congregation is part of the worldwide Community of Christ that proclaims the gospel of Jesus Christ and builds communities of joy, hope, love and peace. Endeavoring to seek and implement God's will for our congregation, we identify four focus areas:

1. We will develop inclusive ministries that bring us closer to God in personal and corporate worship and through meaningful fellowship with each other.
2. We will build bridges with newcomers in our community and to others who have no church home to share the love of God and welcome them in Lamoni and in our congregation.
3. We will strengthen our understanding of the foundational religious beliefs that define our relationship to God, to our past, to the church, and to each other.
4. We will continue our efforts to discern the will of God and to implement those insights in our personal and congregational lives as we seek to establish His kingdom "on earth as it is in Heaven."

Those providing ministry elsewhere today include:

John Sellars – Ames Del Ranney – Andover
Paula O'Neal – Bethany Louita Clothier – Creston
Marvin Lewis – Knoxville Nels Badder – Mount Ayr

Next Sunday

Next Sunday, December 16th, we will share in a Service of Music and Drama, led by Richard Jackel and the Lamoni Choir. Pat Magle-Jones will be the pianist for the service. This is one service you will want to invite your neighbors and friends to. If you need a ride to church, call Barb Daily (784-6141), Clarence Snethen (784-3997) or the church (784-4405) on Sunday morning.

Youth Christmas Play

The Lamoni Congregation Youth Christmas Play, "Happy Birthday, Jesus," will be held Wednesday evening, December 19th, 7:00 p.m. at the church. All are invited to attend.

Soup Luncheon

Next Sunday, December 16th, we will have a Soup Luncheon at noon (in lieu of Spaghetti Dinner) at the church. Proceeds go to help the Lamoni Youth Program Activities.

Food Pantry

The Lamoni Ministerial Alliance has requested assistance in obtaining food donations for the Lamoni food pantry. Christmas boxes will be made next month for families in need and there are certain items that the pantry is low on. These items are: all types of pasta, macaroni and cheese boxes, peanut butter, all kinds of snack foods, cake mixes, cornbread and muffin mixes, cereal, canned juices, crackers, shampoo, toilet paper, and paper towels.

Anniversary Reception

The children of Lester and Joyce Stevenson invite you to attend a reception celebrating their parent's 50th Wedding Anniversary. The reception will be held on Saturday, December 15th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Lamoni Community of Christ.

Music Boosters Baskets

Charlee Redick is seeking donations to be put in the Music Boosters Baskets to be auctioned off during the holiday concerts. Proceeds from the auction will go to benefit the music programs at Lamoni Community Schools. All donations are welcome. Please contact Charlee at 784-6349.

Anniversary Open House

All are invited to a 50th Wedding Anniversary Open House for Del and Kathy Ranney. The Open House will be held on Sunday, December 16th, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Del and Kathy's home (29305 105th Ave.). No gifts, please.

Thank You

Thank you for the cards (or other expressions of congratulations) with our daughters' surprise card shower for our 25th anniversary. We are blessed to be in such a loving, caring community. David and Michelle Mohler

Found

In with the Food Pantry items left at the church last Sunday was a bag that had white Christmas lights in the sack. The note inside the sack said "for the screened porch." These lights can be claimed at the Lamoni Mission Center Office.

Angel Tree

Nu Eta will be hosting its Annual Angel Tree. The Angel's will be located at Bank of the West beginning Wednesday, November 21st, and ending Wednesday, December 12th. For those that would like to participate, but do not have the time or possibly financing to sponsor an Angel, you are welcome to donate toys, gloves, hats or even money if you would like, to be used as needed. You can contact Serena Schwab or Chauntel Ranney at Bank of the West with any questions.

Memorial Service

Lee Heaviland, brother-in-law of Doris McElroy, passed away on Thursday morning, December 8th. A Memorial Service for Lee will be held on Thursday, December 13th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Beacon Heights Church in Independence. Visitation will be held Wednesday evening at Speaks Funeral Home in Independence.

Birthday Greetings to:

Beulah Ballantyne	Dec. 9
Julie Elliott	Dec. 11
Jim Fisher	Dec. 12
Sheri Allshouse	Dec. 13
Megan Neeley	Dec. 13
Alex Allshouse	Dec. 13
Kristin Shantz	Dec. 15

Income Report for Lamoni Congregation

	<u>12-2-07</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Congregational Ministries		
Operating Budget	3,177.86	83,799.29
Building Fund	125.00	14,575.70
New Projects Fund	245.00	35,357.50
Outreach International		433.39
Mission Trip		131.00
Scholarship		60.00
Food Pantry		37.30
Memorial Fund		10.00
Mission Center Ministries		
Camperships	10.00	118.00
Guthrie Grove		607.00
Y'll All Come Fund		50.00
MC Program		110.00
World Church		
World Ministries	2,163.98	64,334.72
Oblation	499.74	9,099.69
Oblation World Hunger	130.00	4,223.63
Conference Offering		1,160.44
Roofs over Africa		5.00
Chattanooga Kids		481.00
Total offerings	6,351.58	214,593.66
Attendance: Sunday, 11:00 am	136	Wed. evening 33



The Christmas Poinsettias are with Fond Memories of:

Alice McMorris, Carla Martin – grandmothers of Ryan Martin and Tracy
Norman Hinderks – grandfather of Tracy Martin and Ryan

Dick Fisher, Sandra Ogier, Jean Ann Stevenson, Isaac Fisher –
husband, daughters, grandson of Lohre Fisher;
father, sisters, and nephew of Janice Fisher

Frances Easter – mother of Mark Easter & Benna

Lois Morain – mother of Tom Morain
Mary Updike – mother of Vikki Morain

Larry Oiler – husband of Lila Oiler

Alice Long – mother of Lorrie Long, Dan and Becky; wife of Chub Long

Charles Church – husband of Eldeen Church

Ellie Badder – wife of Nels Badder

David & Melba Blair; Harold & Laura Tabor –
parents of Alma & Kay Blair

Dean & Evelyn Scott; Oscar & Julia Sharp - parents & grandparents
of Deanna Schall

Celia Schall, Myron, Sr. & Elizabeth Schall–sister & parents of Rod Schall

Wally Harvey – grandfather-in-law of Sarah Mesle
Orville Hiles – father of Barbara Mesle & Bob; husband of Norma Hiles
Jeffery P. Hiles – brother of Barbara Mesle & Bob; son of Norma Hiles

Alice Dobson – mother of Natalee Anderson and Robert

V. D. & Zella Ruch – parents of Velma Ruch

Gerald & Mabel Davis; Ova & Ruth Ramsey–
parents of Jerie Gail & Bob Ramsey

David Morgan, Sr. – husband of Wanda Morgan and family
Pam Morgan – mother of Niccole Morgan

Celebrating:

Wayne Updike – father of Vikki Morain

Heartfelt Comfort and Joy for the Season --

Bill and Barbara Higdon

Cliff and Janie Neeley

Steve and Janelle Anders

Don and Barbara Breshears

Bruce and Betty Graybill

Frank and Carol Hough

Les and Ava Gardner

Rick and Ann Zieger

Jon and Nancy Wallace

Jim and Pat Jones