

Community of Christ

Lamoni Congregation: Growing Community

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January 11, 2009

Ron Ellis, Nick Hartwig, Lorrie Long, Co-pastors

9:30 a.m. Christian Education Classes

10:30 a.m. Fellowship and Visiting Time

10:40 a.m. Communication Time Linda DeBarthe

Believe!

First Sunday after the Epiphany

Prelude Lohre Fisher

Welcome

Of Water and of Spirit

Congregational Hymn "Baptized in Water" HS 350

Call to Worship:

Leader: God, we come expectant, waiting for your Spirit.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Leader: It comes in many ways, many forms.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Leader: As we have assembled in faith, let us be willing to receive.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

*Hymn "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine" HS 281

*Invocation

*Response

Two Kinds of Baptism

A Drama Based on Mark 1:4–11 and Acts 19:1–7

It's Our Story, Too

Hymn "Come, Holy Spirit, Come" NS 6

Message

Hymn "The Spirit of God Like a Fire Is Burning" HS 33

Spirit of God

Yes, the Spirit of God like a fire is burning
and at the same time like a clear brook churning.
It's hot and it's wrought with flames of inspiration
and yet cool with moments of quiet meditation.
The Spirit of God is a young mind learning
and at the same time, mature minds yearning
for discernment, revelation, and mystery too.
It remembers, and is pleased, by the good that we do.
The Spirit of God is a new season turning
that brings to our mind the Savior returning.
Creation circling 'round and always reforming—
the love of our Savior, gracefully transforming—
—Linda Mountenay, 2005

Disciples' Generous Response: Freely Receive, Freely Give
Blessing and Receiving of Mission Tithes and Offerings
Scripture: Doctrine and Covenants 83:10c

*Hymn "Tell It! Tell It Out with Gladness" HS 470

*Benediction

*Response

*Postlude

Participants:

Speaker: Jim McKinney

Presider: Mark Easter

Drama: Kelly & Tammy Everett

Assisting: Benna Easter

Greeters: Margaret and Sam Landis

Ushers: Kevin Lloyd, Becky Willis-Shantz, Janyce DeBarthe

A/V: Rod Schall

Nursery:

Bell Ringer: Earl Snethen

Worship Center: Deb Etcheson

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Sunday

Next Sunday, January 18th, is Racial Justice Day. Bill Juhnke will bring the message with Bill Russell in charge. Carita Juhnke will provide piano ministry. Come and share in worship as we consider the theme, "See!" If you need a ride to church, call Barb Daily (784-6141), Clarence Snethen (784-3997) or the church (784-4405) on Sunday morning.

Congregational Meetings today

The following meetings will be held **today** at the church, as follows:

Leadership Team	1:30-2:30 p.m.
Worship Commission	2:30-3:30 p.m.
Cocoa and Conversation	3:30-4:00 p.m.
Priesthood	4:00-5:00 p.m.

The purpose of these very important meetings is to consider how we can implement our focus for the year to **Reach Out!** in both nurture (to bring Christ's ministry to those within the congregation) and mission (to share Christ's message with persons outside the congregation). Congregational Conversations, an opportunity for all members to consider ways to implement our **Reach Out!** focus, will occur on Sunday, January 25, at 1:00 p.m., following our monthly congregational potluck. We wish you the blessings of love, joy, hope, peace and fulfilled purpose in the New Year!

The Pastorate (Ron, Nick, and Lorrie)

Book of Mormon Class

The Book of Mormon Study Group will resume its weekly meetings on Thursday, January 15. The group meets at 7 p.m. (for one hour) at Joan Green's home. Anyone interested in becoming better acquainted with the Book of Mormon's message is very welcome to attend. Just bring your Book of Mormon with you and be ready for discussion.

Soup Luncheon

Next Sunday, January 18th, we will have a Soup Luncheon at noon (in lieu of the Spaghetti Dinner) at the church. A freewill offering will be received with proceeds to benefit Chattanooga Kids.

Congregational Conversations

You are invited to reserve time to attend Congregational Conversations on Sunday, January 25, 1:00 p.m. (immediately following the congregational potluck) in the overflow room of the church. The topic will be consideration of ways we can respond to our focus for the year --Reach Out!

Covenant Discipleship Leaders Meeting

If you were trained to be a leader of Covenant Discipleship Groups last February (2008), you are encouraged to attend a “meeting of the trained leaders” on Monday, January 12, 7:00 p.m. at the Lamoni church (yes! There will be snacks, too!)

Opportunities! Opportunities! Opportunities! To Reach Out!.

- How would you like to be part of a *Surviving the Depression* Support group (open to the Lamoni community and congregation)? The Outreach Ministries Team plus other advocates have brainstormed a number of ideas. **Needed: a facilitator for the group.**
- The Lamoni Congregation would like to create a pictorial directory (informal snapshots of persons/families) for the congregation. **Needed: someone to organize the project** (could have a number of different people taking digital pictures).
- Would you be interested in a support group for persons who are divorced? We have many living in the community; many who are, also, attending the Lamoni congregation. **Needed: a facilitator for the support group.**

Please contact Lorrie (784 7272), Ron (784 3880), or Nick (784 6407) if you are willing to Reach Out! in one or more of these opportunities.

Birthday Greetings to:

Ruth Leighton	Jan. 11
Dee Watt	Jan. 12
Derek Sutherland	Jan. 12
Bonita Booth	Jan. 12
Mark Schilb	Jan. 13
Kallie Kinney	Jan. 13
Mike Foster	Jan. 14
Frank Hough	Jan. 14
Mark Wiemann	Jan. 15
Ron Ellis	Jan. 17
Ellen Shields	Jan. 17
April Ergo	Jan. 17

JANUARY-FEBRUARY DINNER EXCHANGE

Here is the January dinner exchange list. It is still not too late to get into the program! If you might be interested we want you to know that you can still participate. Contact Merilou Hartwig at 784-6407 or e-mail me at n.hartwig@mchsi.com. We are very anxious to have EVERYONE who wants to participate to be able to do so. Please sign up as it is a great way for us to get to know each other better on an individual basis.

HOSTS

Velma Ruch/Virginia Walsh	6294/6080
Skip and Shelly Twitchell	7805
Kay and Alma Blair	6408
Barbara and Don Breshears	6836
Vivian and Glen Campbell	3714
Louita and Dick Clothier	6270
Barbara Lee and Hale Collins	6007
Bobbi and Ron Ellis	3880
Ava and Les Gardner	6638
Joan Green/Marie Hawley	6391/6157
Lorrie Long/Rose Bolie	7272/4335

GUESTS

Pat and Jim Jones	3547
Becky and Dan Long	8800
Nick and Merilou Hartwig	6407
Barbara and Stan McKiernan	6873
Florence and Carl McGuire	6782
Ann and Rick Zieger	3730
Janie and Cliff Neeley	4783
Jerie Gail and Bob Ramsey	3492
Lois and Bill Russell	6830
Deanna and Rod Schall	3479
Diane and Joe Shelton	7495

Upcoming Events

TODAY	1:30 p.m. Leadership Team meeting
	2:30 p.m. Worship Commission meeting
	4:00 p.m. Priesthood meeting
Wed. Jan. 14	6:00 p.m. Potluck
	7:00 p.m. Family Night activities
Thurs. Jan. 15	7:00 p.m. Book of Mormon Study Group
Sun. Jan. 18	9:30 a.m. Church School
	10:40 a.m. Communication Time – Stu Sherman
	Worship – Bill Juhnke speaking
	Bill Russell presiding
	12:00 noon Soup Luncheon