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## Give the Gift that keeps on Giving

God the Father gave His Son, God the Son gave His life in order that we might be reconciled to Him from our life of sin and receive the gift of the Spirit of God dwelling within us. It is the gift of the Holy Spirit through the obedience of the Son to the will of the Father which is an ongoing gift to us. It's the gift that keeps on giving. When you consider the work of the Holy Spirit to sanctify us, to comfort us, to guide us, to convict us of sin, to reassure us of God's promised presence; what greater gift could we ever receive?

As you run through the mall or surf the internet for that perfect gift for your friend or family member, ask yourself; "Do they have what they really need?" If they have not expressed their faith in Jesus, then you ought first to get down on your knees and fervently pray that God's Spirit would prepare their heart to hear and receive the Word of the Gospel Truth. Then get up off your knees and go to them and offer the gift that never spoils, never rusts, never runs out of power, never disappoints; give the gift of salvation this Christmas. Give the gift that keeps on giving.

*Pastor Mark*

And just like that  
your Church Directory photo  
is outdated!

It's already been two years since we published our last church directory! We will begin the process of creating a new one in January so if you're contemplating snapping a family photo this Christmas...absolutely DO IT!



## Sunday, December 23rd

9:30 am Birthday Party for Jesus

10:30 am Worship

## Monday, December 24th

5:00 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



Please join us for our

## 26th Annual Christmas Open House at the Parsonage

Saturday, December 29th from 5-9 pm

Pastor Mark and Dee



## December Birthdays & Anniversaries

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 James Schwader      | 20 Janessa Waldner                  |
| 2 LaVonne Norberg     | 22 Emily Schallenkamp               |
| 6 Joshua Hidalgo      | 23 Deb Adler                        |
| 7 Zach Anderson       | 24 Layla Stroud                     |
| 7 Cody Stahl          | 26 Tayah McGregor                   |
| 8 Brad Schock         | 26 Alysha Waldner                   |
| 9 Ash Plumb           | 28 <b>Tim &amp; Rachel Matthaei</b> |
| 10 Mason Sabers       | 28 Skylar Stiefvater                |
| 11 Hannah Kolbeck     | 29 Aldena Ecklein                   |
| 12 Deb Palmquist      | 30 <b>Mark &amp; Dee Dickson</b>    |
| 13 Sally Wobig        |                                     |
| 15 Maddy Rabenhorst   |                                     |
| 15 Karen Schallenkamp |                                     |
| 16 Kim Lewis          |                                     |
| 17 Sheryl Larsen      |                                     |
| 17 Josh Viet          |                                     |
| 18 John Dement        |                                     |
| 18 Brandon Schwader   |                                     |



## December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship  11:30 Potluck (South side) followed by program practice	3	4 Women's Christmas Event 6:00 pm  TASTE AND SEE that the Lord is good Psalm 34:8	5 Women's Christmas Event 6:00 pm  TASTE AND SEE that the Lord is good Psalm 34:8	6	7	8 7 am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 
9 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship  11:30 Potluck (north side) followed by program practice	10	11 9 am MomTime	12 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:15 pm Supper 6:45 pm Adventure Club 7:00 pm MS, HS and Adult Studies 8:00 pm Deacon Board Meeting	13	14	15 7 am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 8:30 am K-8th Christmas Program Practice 9:30 Cookie decorating and Caroling 
16 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship  6:00 pm Sunday School Christmas Program	17	18	19 No regular Wednesday activities 	20	21	22 7 am Men's Breakfast and Bible Study 
23 9:30 Birthday Party for Jesus  10:30 Worship	24 5:00 pm Candlelight Service 	25 	26 No regular Wednesday activities 	27	28	29 Christmas Open House at the Parsonage 5-9 pm 
30 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 Worship	31					

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