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Jennings Road Church of Christ 1124 Jennings Road, Van Wert, OH <u>www.jenningsroad.org</u> Pastor David Ray, Jr.

December, 2018

Worst Christmas EVER December 2018 Sermon Series

For so many Christmas is a time of joy, celebration, and excited anticipation. For some, it's a time of stress, hating the government, and life not being fair. For Mary and Joseph, and the entire nation of Israel as well; they know exactly how you feel.

Dec 2 Birth Matt 1:1-17

Why begin Christmas with the boring parts of the Bible: a genealogy? What does "who begat whom" have to do with the birth of Jesus? Lots, but we're going to concentrate on the fact that if a few of these people never had babies to begin with, then no Jesus! Is that what people see in our relationships as well - no Jesus?

Dec 9 Scared Luke 1:26-30

Mary freaks out when God tells her he has special plans for her. Shame on her, right? We'd never get scared if God spoke directly to us and told us he has special plans for us! I mean, come on, who cares if it ruins our relationships and dreams for a future.

Right?

Dec 16 Death Matt 1:18-25

Death? What does that have to do with Christmas??? A lot, considering Joseph decided to end his marriage with Mary after discovering she was pregnant...and it wasn't his. (Awkward.) The death of a relationship, or the hope of one, is something that lingers with us long after the moment has passed. Especially at Christmas. What hope is there?

Dec 23 Stress Luke 2:1-7

Ever traveled over the holidays? Ever traveled while you (or your spouse) is pregnant? Ever traveled while not knowing where you're going to stay? Welcome to Joseph and Mary's stressful world.

Dec 30 5th Sunday Celebration! JRCC

We wrap up our holiday month with a fun Christmas Pajama Party! Please note: No Children's Church or Sunday School, or the traditional carry-in following the 11:00 a.m. service (Please note the time change for just this Sunday!)

Youth News

Childrens Church will be learning about Mary & Joseph's journey.

Be sure to ask your child to share with you.





Youth Group will be starting back up after the first of the year. We want to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas!



You can reach the youth group through their Facebook page jrccyouthgroup or email IrccYouthGroup@outlook.com



Prayer Requests & Praises

Pastor Dave – health
Rosie Miracle - health
Jerry Miracle - health
Jennie Glaze – health
Donna Klinger – Lupus
Wilma Peterson – Parkinson's disease
Marie Ray – health
Carol Thomas – Parkinson's disease
Julie Kuhlhorst – physical & emotional pain
Kenisha Seibert – health
Modesta Taran - health
Unspoken prayers...

Jeffrey Kinner – Navy
Josh Ray – Marines
Kirsten Roberts – Marines
Jayden Dickson – Air Force
Josh Leiter – Marines
Lee Clay ⁻ Marines
Michael Kapangama – Air Force National Guard

Please remember all military men, women, Veterans and their families!



Please let Anita Searl know of any changes needed to the prayer request list.



<u>Birthdays</u>

12/3	Jordan White
12/4	Rex Wermer
12/14	Shae Hines
12/16	Earl Bledsoe
12/17	Draven Powers
12/18	Arica Wermer
12/21	Rosie Miracle
12/26	Candy Clay
12/28	Evelyn Kreischer



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The Sharing Tree!

Please pull off a tag (or more...)

Go shopping and bring

your gifts back to the church by

Sunday, Dec. 16th!

Thank you & God Bless!



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Pastor: David Ray, Jr.

Elders: Keith Langdon Earl Bledsoe Matt Langdon

Ministry Leaders:

Music/Worship: Matt Langdon

Administrative: Anita Searl

Maintenance / Servers: Greg Roberts

Financials: Johnna Roberts

Hospitality: Jamie Ramos

Deb Bledsoe

We Believe...

...that Jesus Christ is the one and only Son of God, who died for our sins and rose from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:1-8: John 3:16

...that the Bible is the inspired Word of God - a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path.

2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:105

...that every person has worth in God's eyes, and that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23

...that forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life are available to those who trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

John 3:16

...that those accepting Christ should repent of sin, confess their faith, and be baptized by immersion into Him.

Romans 10:9; Acts 2:38

...that the church is the body of Christ on earth, empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring the lost to Christ and the saved into a nurturing relationship with Jesus.

Ephesians 4:1-16

The Jennings Road Church of Christ exists to glorify God by turning unchurched people into fully devoted followers of Christ.

December Serving Schedule

Communion Meditation		<u>Prayer</u>	<u>Room</u>
12/2	Keith Langdon	12/2	Rosie
12/9	Dave Ray	12/9	Belinda
12/16	Matt Mills	12/16	Marie
12/23	Derrin Kuhn	12/23	Lisa/Rick
12/30	5 th Sunday Special	12/30	Bernie

<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Cleaning</u>		
12/2 Ramon & Rosie	12/2	Live Nativity Volunteers	
12/9 Rick & Lisa	12/9	Drake & Celia	
12/16 Lorraine & Brenda	12/16	Drake & Celia	
12/23 Johnna	12/23	Jon & Jen	
12/30 Josh & Sara	12/30	Jill Hufford	

Nursery: Sunday School/Worship Service	Toddler Room		
Fully equipped nursery available.	12/2	Danielle	
Staffed as needed.	12/9	Bianca	
For questions, please see Deanna Ray.	12/16	Lorraine	
	12/23	Bernie	
	12/30		

Communion Prep for December: Bernie & Johnna

Servers for December: Doug, Drake, Stuart & Greg

Helpers:

Candy Clay, Dalton Hines, Rick Hines, Chad Kraner Derrin Kuhn, Johnathon Young, Drake Hitchcock