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Encountering the Word

An Advent Devotional series will meet in the choir room after worship for the first three Sundays in December. Please join us.

Pastor Dave and the Apostle Paul both gave some good direction to follow. This scripture from Romans is straightforward and concise.

Place Your Life Before God

12 ¹⁻² So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you. (from the Message).

We will start this Sunday looking at some devotionals. The goal will be to keep it simple and Advent is a great time to start or continue your devotional time.

Melissa & George Reitnour

UPCOMING EVENTS *opportunities for growth*

Advent Vespers Service, THIS Sunday, December 2 at 7 pm. Prepare your hearts and minds for the Christmas noisiness and busyness by worshipping the One this season is all about. Childcare will be provided.

Women's Advent Breakfast Saturday, December 8, 9-11 am. Come join us for a morning of Faith, Food and Fellowship as we gather to celebrate this most holy season. Tickets are \$5 but please come anyway if money is an issue! All friends, family and neighbors welcome. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center. We will also be collecting food items for Open Door and a bin will be available.

DOERS OF THE WORD *and not hearers only (James 1:22)*

We invite anyone who would like to sing with the choir for the Christmas Eve service, to join us tonight and the three Wednesdays thereafter for rehearsal. We will be singing four anthems. Please come!

If you have an announcement to be made on Sunday morning, please email it to the church office at rbcabc@rbcabc.org by Friday at 11 am. Normally, our worship leader will make the announcements.

Adopt A Family Christmas through Project Outreach We have a decorated Christmas Tree in the narthex with paper ornaments that have a single gift item written on them for you to grab, go purchase and return to the church (unwrapped) by December 16. Our Youth Ministry will then handle organizing the gifts, and wrapping them. We do ask that you return the gift with the ornament label, so that we can easily identify who the gift is for. Now another option, new to this year, to make things easier is our Amazon wish list. We have composed an Amazon wish list for those who want a simple way to give, that has a list of items that are very specific to what the children are interested in. Click the link below to access the "Royersford Baptist Church adopt a family Christmas list" where you can select an item to purchase, and have it shipped directly to the church. If you have any questions you can contact Ryan Seckman or Millie Collins.

https://www.amazon.com/registry/wishlist/YO2V1Y2TIY4G/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_mt_wl

RBC is looking for a childcare worker to join our Sunday morning team. If you know of anyone who might be interested in this paid position, please encourage them to check out the job description on the church webpage. Information on how to apply is at the bottom of the job description.

AN ENCOURAGING WORD

"Every morning I spend fifteen minutes filling my mind full of God; and so there's no room for worry thoughts." Howard Chandler Christy

If you have a quotation to encourage the faithful, send it to rbcabc@rbcabc.org.