

DECEMBER 22, 2019

WELCOME

We welcome you to the Murphy Church of Christ where every visitor is our special guest and we want to make sure you always remember that. If you are looking for a “family” that will offer you the most important things in life, then why not give us a chance to be part of your family?

Please fill out a visitor’s form and drop it in the collection basket.

Please don’t hesitate to ask any of our members for assistance.

Evening Worship and Bible Study

There will be **no Sunday evening service** tonight or next Sunday, December 29th.

No Wednesday evening bible study for the next two Wednesday (December 25th and January 1st).

Website: murphychurchofchrist.com



The bulletin is posted on the website and hard copies are in the foyer for members and visitors. Be sure to check out the website for news and upcoming events.

The bulletin hardcopy cover is designed so you can mail a copy to a shut-in, friend or family member. If you have any suggestions for the website or see an error or want to make a change, please contact Wayne Ard and Lula Williams.

Greeters
D J Stephenson
Sheri Goodlet

Welcome/Song Leader
Roy Goodlet

Opening Prayer
Dean Wray

Lord’s Supper Thoughts
Wayne Ard

Supper Servants
Roy Stephenson
Dean Wray

Scripture
Matthew 2: 1-6
Read by Woody Scaff

Sunday Sermon:
How To Be Wise
By Roy Stephenson

Announcements
Roy Goodlet

Closing Prayer
Roy Goodlet



REACH, Inc. – Community Project

The ladies made a commitment to supply the REACH, Inc. of Cherokee County domestic violence shelter with cleaning supplies and laundry detergent. If you have items of clothing, children books, etc. to donate please place them in the bin provided in the pantry area or you can take them to the REACH office located behind the thrift store on HWY 64. We can always use some small tote bags and small travel size items to fill them with, e.g. combs, hand sanitizer, toothbrush, travel size toothpaste, deodorant, etc. for their clients. Recommended size for the tote bags is 9”X9”. Put them on the table in the pantry and we will fill them as time permits.

There is also a small donation jar on the table in the back of the church if you would prefer to give money. If you would like to donate on a recurrent basis, please fill out the card on the back table. You can take it directly by the office or give it to Lula to take for you.

Other fundraisers are always being planned. For the holidays they have a Christmas angel donation fund up until December 23rd, please stop by the center to give your donation. Fundraisers are needed to supplement government grants. Let’s continue to help them keep up the good work and keep them in your prayers.

Often the victims leave home with only the clothes on their back, so they are given clothes and furniture from the Thrift Store until they can get back on their feet. They can always use volunteers to help with some of their community outreach activities and local fundraiser events. Call the office at 828-837-8064 for more information.

World Bible Class (WBS)



Wayne Ard has a prison ministry and is also assisting some who have indicated an interest with WBS. If you need help getting started or know someone who has indicated an interest, please contact Roy Stephenson.



Hope and Comfort

May God’s Word be your guide today and every day of your life.

Happy holidays and enjoy your time with family and friends



Christmas is 3 days away. We wish you good cheers with family and friends!

We stand in gratitude of the sacrifice Christ made for us all. It is the best gift from God!

Just Christians



Come grow with us. If you have any questions or would like to start a home study, contact Roy Stephenson,

Minister/Counselor. Phone (828) 557-8882 or email: murphychurchofchrist@yahoo.com

Do you need the help of the church to help strengthen you in your belief? Whatever you need, please join us each Sunday morning for Bible study followed by morning worship in prayer and song.

“Noon” Senior Center Class

Held on Tuesdays starting at 12:30 in the Penland Bldg., 69 Alpine, in downtown Murphy. You are welcome to attend. For more information contact Roy Stephenson.

NO 6:00 PM Wednesday Devotional

Because of the holidays there will be no devotional for Wednesday December 25th and January 1st.

We want to involve everyone who comes to the class, so please use this time to read and study ahead, to contribute to the class and ask questions and comment in a verse-by-verse study through James. **We will end with James 4 this Wednesday so we can begin in James 5.**

We look forward to YOU being a part of our study of James.

Acts 17: 11 tells us –

“Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if those things were so.” those things were so.”



Next Sunday Fellowship lunch

December 29th is the 5th Sunday so please mark your calendar to bring your favorite food dish to share. Let's end 2019 with friends and family as we get ready for 2020.



Ladies Fellowship!!

We are always looking for new ideas and suggestions to help our church family grow and to strengthen our fellowship. If you have a suggestion please let Sheri Goodlet know so we can pursue bringing it to the congregation's attention.



Secret Sisters

We will resume next year for the summer please continue to check the bulletin for the 2020 dates.



December Birthdays

Ronald Wilkins	1
Jerry Queen	5
Sheri Goodlet	13



December Wedding Anniversaries

Ed and Sue Raber	22
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If you do not see your birthday or wedding anniversary listed or the date is incorrect, or your name is misspelled please let Lula know.

Pantry Items

Please let Roy Stephenson know of anyone who has a need. Please check the expiration



dates of food items for a long shelf-life for it may be awhile before an item is donated but if you

know of a specific need please let us know. If the item is close to expiring Lula will pull them off the shelves and Roy will take them to the homeless shelter, if no family, individual or special requests have been made. **NOTE: Our pantry is small, so we try not to over stock** and we don't have anyone to check the pantry daily or give out items. **Currently, we are running low on canned soups and meat.**

PLEASE NO PERISHABLE ITEMS, e.g. loaves of bread or baked goods because they increase the potential for bugs, and they lose their freshness within a short time span.



Sunday Morning Bible Study starts at 10:00 am.

Please make plans to join us on Sundays. **Our Winter series is entitled "Peter in Acts.."** Please pick up a copy of the Gospel Advocate study guide book located on the table in the back of the church auditorium.

After class there is coffee, donuts or other pastries. This time is allotted to fellowship before worship service begins.



We Three Kings lyrics

We three kings of Orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar.
Field and fountain, moor and
mountain, following yonder
star.

O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still
proceeding, guide us to thy
perfect Light.

Born a king on Bethlehem's
plain, Gold I bring to crown
Him again, King forever,
ceasing never over us all to
reign.

O star of wonder, star of night,
Star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still
proceeding, guide us to thy
perfect Light.



Wishing Family and Friends A Blessed Christmas

**It's Christmas time,
And we wish you well.
May the Lord bless you
With the best of health.**

