

My decision today

- I prayed to receive Jesus Christ as my Savior
- I want to be baptized
- I want to grow as Christ's disciple
- Other

I'm interested in

- Knowing how to receive Christ as Savior
- Knowing how to grow as Christ's disciple
- Joining a small group
- Helping with the Music Ministry
- Helping with the Children & Youth Ministries
- Other

(NO) HOPE FOR CHRIST(MAS)

Luke 2:1-32 (Christmas in a Strange Land #4)

"Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." 2:10-11

Good news! Jesus comes as Savior, Anointed One and Lord for . . .

- ◆ All people. (2:10)

Who are fellow believers we may exclude?

Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel. 2:29-32 (cf. Leviticus 12; Exodus 13; Numbers 18:15-18; 1 Samuel 1; 2:11)

- ◆ All peoples. (2:31)

Who are those we may exclude from the Good News of Jesus?

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Isaiah 49:6

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. Isaiah 60:1

To all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become the children of God, who were born not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. John 1:12-13

NEXT STEPS: Read through the text several times. Where is your attention drawn? Can you relate to those others humble? To humbling yourself because of your need for God? Share with another what God is doing in you. Who do you know who needs to know the Good News? How and when will you share Jesus? Read Jeremiah 29:1-14 for thinking about how to live in exile. Note the verbs: build, live, plant, eat (vs. 5), take, give, multiply (vs. 6), seek, pray (vs. 7), call, come, pray (vs. 12), seek (vs. 13). To prepare for worship next week, please read Ecclesiastes 3:1-8.



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(NO) HOPE FOR CHRIST(MAS)

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Kalen Heller, Pastor of Community Life

To **worship** God, help people **know** Jesus Christ personally, **grow** to be like Him, **show** His love and **go** where He leads... **together**.

today at *tbc*

Christmas Worship

Worship through Singing
 Lighting of Christmas Candle: Titus 2:11-14; Psalm 62:5-8
 Music Ministry: Children's Choir
 Worship through Prayer
(NO Jr. Church today)
 Message: **(NO) HOPE FOR CHRIST(MAS)**
 Worship through Giving
 Music Ministry: Michael Johnson
 Closing Prayer

Room 303 is designated for prayer. People are available to listen and pray.
 Please fill out the Response Form and place it in the offering plate.
 Supervised nursery (Ages 0-2) provided during Sunday school and Worship.

Nursery Workers

Today: No workers scheduled

this week

- Tuesday NO Ladies' BSF (until January 10, 2017)
 - Wednesday NO Youth; NO Great Adventure
 - Saturday NO DAWG Pound
 - Next Sun. NO Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship (Read Ecclesiastes 3:1-8); Lord's Supper

coming events

- Jan. 7 6:30 am DAWG Pound (Men's Ministry)
- Jan. 11 6:30 pm Great Adventure (Children age 3-Grade 5)
- 6:30 pm Youth (Grades 6-12)

Thank you to . . .

- ❖ Annika Caldwell, Jennifer Heller, Laura Lynch and Karen Jaspers for playing *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* as part of the lighting of the Advent candles.
- ❖ Heidi Tyson for directing the Children's Christmas Program.
- ❖ Maddy and Miah Tyson, Madison and Jonah Motschenbacher, Ryleigh and Shayla Martin, MaKenzie Knight and Zach Dally and Tyler and Kristen Spanier for reading Scripture and lighting Advent candles.
- ❖ All who ministered through the Family Christmas Caroling.
- ❖ Our Elders: Kelly Rachel, Chris Hoke, Pat Motschenbacher, Blake Reed, Bernie Satrom, John Elhard, Mark Love.



praise & prayer

Around TBC

- ◆ **Health concerns**
Casey Aldinger, Kathy Aldinger, Diana Gray, Ruth Jenner, Jacqualine Pfeiffer, Paul Tahrn
- ◆ **Youth Director**
- ◆ **Dakota Access Pipeline Conflict**
- ◆ **4th Ave. Building**

Around the NAB Conference



Luke Miller - Regina, SK
 Vintage Church held their first official Sunday service on September 11. Both Pastor Miller and Regional Minister Ken Solberg are giving guidance to this new church plant; they aim 1) to uphold the values and biblical teachings of the early church to create a community of authentic followers of Jesus in today's culture, and 2) to committed out the Gospel on a day-to-day basis. **Pray for their impact on Regina** as they seek to be Christ in their community.

Thank God that He became flesh and made His dwelling among us! Give thanks that we beheld His glory, full of grace and truth! Proclaim this Gospel message to everyone God brings across your path, so that they, too, may surrender to Immanuel.

Around the World

***BHUTAN** - Buddhism 86.1%, Hinduism 9.7% Christian 0.3%
 Most Christians in Bhutan meet privately; public places of worship are usually not available. Religious freedom is "protected", but without official church registration, religious groups forfeit rights--such as property ownership. Proselytism is illegal, resulting in imprisonment. Religious groups other than Buddhists are often pressured by the government to observe traditional Drukpa values, but most opposition comes from family and friends.

***Conflicts and Needs: North Korea, South Sudan, Iraq, Syria, Ukraine, Yemen, Libya, U.S. transitions and unity**

Thank you TBC carolers

*for your visit to Kitty Bender (sister-in-law of Dar Rezmer), making her day and this holiday season much brighter. She was very overwhelmed and appreciative.
 *for your singing and gift given to Frieda Keller.

Thank you for your prayers and concern for me and my two daughters while I was going through some medical trials. Your continuing prayers are greatly appreciated! God bless each of you!
Ruth Jenner

GIVING REPORT	
YTD Budget	\$444,697.94
Building	\$24,050.00
YTD General Fund	\$389,385.94
NOTE: All 2016 giving (for tax purposes) must be received/postmarked by December 31.	

response form

Date _____ Your age group 18-23 24-29 30s 40s 50s 60s 70s 80+ _____

PLEASE PRINT (If A Student) Your Current School Grade _____

Name _____ Are You: Single Married

Address _____ Names of children living at home & birth dates: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone (____) _____

Cell Phone (____) _____

Is this your... 1st time? 2nd time? 3rd time?

Mr. | Mrs. | Miss. | Ms New Address New Email Address

I am: Attendee Member Visitor

I came as a guest of: _____