

The Heavens Roar, The Angels Sing!

December 3, 2017

Worship at 10:30am

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer

"Angels, From the Realms of Glory"

"Emmanuel"

"A Christmas Alleluia"

Celebration Choir

Fellowship

"Joy To the World(Unspeakable Joy)"

Worship In Giving

What Child Is This? / Wise Man

"Hope Was Born This Night"

Message

Pastor Ron

"What Can I Do(Christmas Version)"

Prayer



**Reminder ... Angel Tree
Gifts are due back today
Thanks for helping a child feel loved!**

Children's Family Night

Friday, December 8th, 2017 from 6:00 pm until 8:30 pm. We will make Ginger Bread Nativity Scenes and share the Christmas Story. Please sign up on Michelle's Office Door by today. To help us with the cost of the Nativity Set, there will be a Cost of \$10 per family for a Nativity & Pizza. It will be a fun evening together as a family getting ready for Christmas.



Nativity Sets

If you have ordered your Nativity sets from Thailand, they have arrived. Please see Donna Strickland.

2018 Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes are available for pick-up in the foyer. If you don't find a box with your name on it, please let the church office know. If you take one of the boxes without a name, please let the office know the number on the envelopes for proper posting.

Sun. December 3

8:00 Men's Prayer Time
9:15 Sunday School Life Groups
10:30 Children's Church (Bldg. D)
10:30 Morning Worship
4:30 Celebration Choir
6:00 Evening Worship: Singing & Sharing; RAs, GAs, Mission Friends; Youth & College Age

Mon. December 4

9:00 Staff Devotions
7:00 CARE C-Team

Tues. December 5

9:00 Staff Devotions
9:30 Staff Meeting

Food Pantry Served November 29

Families-11
Adults -16
Children -17
Food Pantry will be closed for the holidays Dec. 27 & Jan. 3

Wed. December 6

9:00 Staff Devotions
12:30 Praying for Our Nation
6:15 Catawba Kids JAM & Youth
6:30 1st & 3rd Men's & Women's Bible Study
7:30 Celebration Choir

Thurs. December 7

9:00 Staff Devotions
6:00 Open Arms SS Fellowship/FH

Fri. December 8

9:00 Staff Devotions
6:00 Children's Family Night

Exciting celebration of International Missions

Wednesday Dec 13 at 6:30pm Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Come join us for a Russian International Café experience of snacks and fun, and meet special guests, retired IMB workers Chris and Jaelyn who spent many years working among unreached people groups in Central Asia.

Pastoral Ponderings

Walk as He Walked

"He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked" (1 Jn. 2:6).

Jesus' Path to Blessing

In Acts 20:35, the Apostle Paul quoted Jesus as saying, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Paul realized the importance of focusing less on self and more on God and others. This is a lesson we need to consider during this Christmas Season. We often concentrate on ourselves, on our pleasure, on getting what we want. The way to be truly happy is to have more of an outward focus, to concentrate on others.

A lot of giving is taking place at Catawba Baptist Church during this time of year. Many have been involved in packing OCC boxes for children all over the world. WMU has worked hard to prepare prisoner packages, filled with things prisoners might need. The Youth have initiated delivering cards to shut-ins in the church. Rob and Peggy Sarratt are leading us to participate in Angel Tree, purchasing gifts for the children of prisoners. The danger with starting a list like this is the probability of leaving something out. And so many of you are giving behind the scenes, with almost no one knowing what you are doing.

Jesus practiced what He preached. In Jn. 13, Jesus washed the feet of the disciples even though He was their Teacher and Lord (13-14). Then He challenged His disciples to wash one another's feet, following His example (15). In verse 17, Jesus ended up by saying, "If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them."

Jesus also set an example for us in Phil. 2:5-11. He was equal with God "but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant ... He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross." Jesus gave it all when He died on the cross to pay the penalty for your sins and mine. We too should give.

Nursery Ministry

Dec. 3, 10:30

Birth-12 month: Donald & April Davis/B105
2 & 3 yr. olds: Joe & Nikki Mclsaac/B101

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Birth-12 month: Georgette, Hannah & Michaela Bell/B105
2 & 3 yr. Susan & Ashley Gordon/B101

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Prayer Requests: Our Missionaries (Marty, Dena, & Jacob McAnally); **Our Military** (Joe Bodenbender, Spencer Davis, David Guffey, Justin Guy, Drew Hicks, Matt Jenkins, AJ Kramer, Neil Medlin, Joey Miller, Austin Price, Chad Prater, Tony Rosario, Jamie Russell, Phillip Strickland, Jake Wade, Chad Wells and leaders); Stephanie Baker, Gloria Barfield, Jim Cordle, Brianna Hyatt, Cory Hyatt, Chad Hyatt, Hunter Kirby, Nancy Locke, Evelyn Mitchum, Jack Nunn, Marjorie Peake, Bill Shelley, Gayle Smith, Harold Smith, Elaine Steele, Jean Sturgis, Pete Sturgis, Thelma Trammel, Brenda Watts

Sunday School Life Groups 9:15 AM
Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Activities 6:00 PM

Summer Salt Youth Camp
A life changing week of worship, Bible study, fun and excitement for all students!
June 11-15

Location: White Oak Conference Center, Winnsboro, SC
Cost: \$180 per student (siblings \$90)

Registration: Student must be registered with Jeromy by **today** with a non-refundable \$50 deposit.

Barbados Mission Trip 2018

If you are interested in going on mission to Barbados in July 2018, please contact Jeromy at youth@catawbabaptist.com. We are trying to finalize the team by January.

Nova Scotia Mission Trip 2018

If you are interested in going on a mission trip to Nova Scotia in July 2018, please contact Ray or Debbie Weiland at (803) 981-7546 or email them at rwieland48@gmail.com. They wish to start forming a team soon.

Catawba Sports Ministry

Winter Basketball and Cheerleading Registration Are Open

Ages 3-17 can be involved

Go to www.catawbabaptist.com/sports or pick up a registration form in the Foyer. Contact Church Office for more information.



What Kind of Throne

Sunday, December 10, 10:30am

The Highest King chose to come to the lowest place! Come worship the Holy One, Who humbled Himself to come to us!

Ladies Christmas Dinner

Tuesday, December 12, 6:00pm

All ladies are invited! Tickets - \$10
Special music by Annette Dixon Marlow & accompanied by Pam Chapman
See Brenda Palmer for your ticket.



"The Christmas Dream Parade"

An Almost Cancelled Christmas

Sunday, December 17, 10:30am

Presented by KIDS JAM. Children will be meeting early (8:30) in the Sanctuary to be ready for the program.



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