ACTIVITIES FOR JANUARY:

January 7th: VBS Meeting at 3pm on Zoom January 14th: One Day Lectureship January 16th: Young at Heart Luncheon at Parkette 11:30am January 27th: Ladies Lunch @ Apple Annies in Fairmont

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ⇒ One Day Lectureship is next Sunday. Volunteers are needed to help with set up/clean up for the luncheon at the Civic Center. Please bring food items to the Civic Center around 8:30 am. Questions, see Karen Seyler.
- ⇒ Our first VBS meeting of the new year will take place today at 3pm on the adult bible class zoom link.
- ⇒ Young at Heart will have a luncheon at the Parkette Restaurant at 11:30 am on January 16th, 2024.
- ⇒ Our January Ladies' Lunch will take place at Apple Annies in Fairmont on Saturday, January 27th. Sign ups are on the back bulletin board.

Elders:Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne HartmanDeacons:Gene Wright & Robbie BuffingtonMinister:Mark JonesPhone: (304) 842-6738

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Times of Service

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

Evening Worship 6pm

Sunday:

Bridgeport Church of Christ

January 7th, 2024

Resolve to Involve Everything

With the new year comes resolutions. We like a fresh start, and we generally feel that the start of a brand new year is best time to implement changes. I guess it's because we look back on the previous year and analyze successes and failures and make decisions on what we need to do to better ourselves—and that's not a bad thing. We make plans and determinations with great hope of accomplishing them in our lives.

Most people will make resolutions that improve their body (like eating better and/or exercising more), improve their mind (like reading more or learning something new), or improve their attitude. Without a doubt, these are good things to make positive progress in our lives.

But, in making our resolutions, let us not forget about the most important thing to improve in our lives: our spirituality. As Christians, we should always be striving to be growing closer to God, reading the Bible more, increasing in service, and becoming more mature in the faith. Improving our spirituality will also help us to improve anything else we wish to implement into our lives.

Interestingly, Jesus mentioned all of these areas when asked what was the greatest commandment. He mentioned them in connection with our relationship to God. We read it in Mark 12:30, "And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." Notice how we are to love God with our all—mind, body, heart, and soul. So, it makes sense that we would always want to improve ourselves in all of these areas.

Yes, let us resolve to involve every aspect of our lives in loving, honoring, serving, and praising God, and not just at the beginning of each year, but at the beginning of each and every day.

Even though given to the Israelites, Deuteronomy 10:12-13 should still inspire our resolve to involve our all in our relationship with God: "And now...what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments of the LORD...?"

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January Card Distributor: Cindy Moore

January Greeters: Evelyn (7th) Kristina (14th) Debbie (28th)

Baptismal Garments: Evelyn

Bible Class Locations Adults– Main Auditorium Young Adults (20s-30s)- Mark's Office Children & Teens– Downstairs

Events for Bridgeport 2024

February 4th: Dessert Fellowship February: Ladies' Mystery Dinner March 3rd: Dessert Fellowship March: TBD

April 7th: Dessert Fellowship

April: Family Hike at Cooper's Rock

May 5th: Dessert Fellowship

May: Friends and Family Day

May: Ladies' Tea Party at the Home of

Cheryl Kelch

June: VBS

June: FOP Ladies' Breakfast

July: Back to School Cookout

August: Ladies' Planning Meeting

Our Record:

Sunday Morning Assembly 95 Sunday Bible Class 50 Sunday Evening Wednesday Bible Study 17 Contribution (Budget \$4,000)

\$4,240

January Birthday / Anniversary List:

3-Barry Buffington 5-Evelyn Griffin, Karen Seyler 7-Phoebe Jones 8-Samuel Jones 9-Jacob Hartman 17- Lillian Armstrong 21-Megan Jones 22- Robert Armstrong 22- Elizabeth Carder 23- Xavier Seyler 27-Kelly Shreves

Prayer Requests

For Our Congregation:

Our Shut-in's:

Jackie Moore, Helen Potts, Brenda Fortney, Yvonne Maxwell, Judy Garner, and Becky Britton

- Jerry Maxwell: Had a complication with oxygen levels. Surgery went well, but he is still in the hospital dealing with breathing issues.
- Sharon Loy: Has been moved to River Oaks.
- Gene Wright: Health Concerns



For Our Family & Friends:

- Earnie Parsons: Going through second round of chemo.
- Tim Jorgensen: Knee replacement surgery went well and he is now recovering.
- Teresa Kipp (Kathy's Friend): Going through her 4th round of chemo

If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email it to bgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com or write it down and give it to Natalie Seyler before Thursday.