

THE PLEASANT TRAVELER  
January 2022

Pleasant Chapel Community Church  
880 E 1100 N Roanoke, IN 46783  
260-519-5324

www.pleasantchapel.org  
info@pleasantchapel.org  
Worship 10:00am

*"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. <sup>12</sup> Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. <sup>13</sup> When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart,*

Jeremiah 29:11–13 (NRSV)





## ***Birthdays***

Jan 1 Brent Hammel  
 Jan 2 Abby Hoffman  
 Jan 3 Sally Knuckles  
 Jan 6 Becky Fritchman  
 Jan 8 Craig Simon  
 Jan 9 Kevin Raichart  
 Jan 10 Jayson Morris  
 Jan 12 Cynthia Chesterman  
 Jan 17 Gary Raichart  
 Jan 21 Heather Parsons  
 Jan 21 Chris Sherbahn  
 Jan 23 Joy Sheets  
 Jan 23 Dan Sherbahn  
 Jan 24 Barry Knuckles  
 Jan 25 John Chesterman  
 Jan 29 Ryan Dinius  
 Jan 30 Sherry Ruppert

## **Greeters**

Jan 2 Roger and Ellen  
 Jan 9 John and Anna  
 Jan 16 Andy and Andrea  
 Jan 23 Leona And Sarah  
 Feb 6 Reece and Lizzie  
 Feb 13 Andy and Andrea  
 Feb 20 Sarah and Zach  
 Feb 27 Phil and Nicole

## **Acolytes**

Jan 2 Colclessers  
 Jan 9 Magnusons  
 Jan 16 Amicks  
 Jan 23 Hands  
 Feb 6 Hands  
 Feb 13 Wisels  
 Feb 20 Amicks  
 Feb 27 Colclessers

**Thank you** to each one who has furnished snacks for the coffee/cookie table. Everyone enjoys this! Sign-up papers for snacks are on the table in front of the mailboxes.

# JANUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

## **Events**

**Jan 3** – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
**Jan 10** – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
  
**Jan 12** - Pleasant Chapel Women 1:00 at Jill's home  
**Jan 16** Cemetery Board 3:00pm at the church  
**Jan 17** – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
**Jan 24** – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
**Jan 31** – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30  
**Feb 13** - Souper Bowl following worship

**PC Women's Group** The Pleasant Chapel Women had their Christmas party by visiting Allen and Vicki Rickard's Historic Home in Huntington for a lunch and tour of their beautiful home on December 11. We enjoyed it very much. Thank you, Allen and Vicki, for their hospitality.

## ***Anniversaries***

Jan 3 Tom and Tammy Lickey  
 Jan 3 Bill and Diane Sherbahn

**Bible Studies** - All are invited to Parson's home each Monday at 6:30 (unless otherwise announced) for an hour of study and discussion.

**Children's Church** is held each Sunday morning after the children's story for preschoolers and up to third grade. Thank you to Ellen Colclessers and all of her helpers who make children's church a great experience for our young saints!

**Check your church mailbox!**

## **Safety and Security Training**

Saturday January 15 9:00 (2-3 hrs.) in the church basement

Class will be recorded

Church Safety /  
Situational Awareness

Instructor: James Wood Town  
Marshal RPD

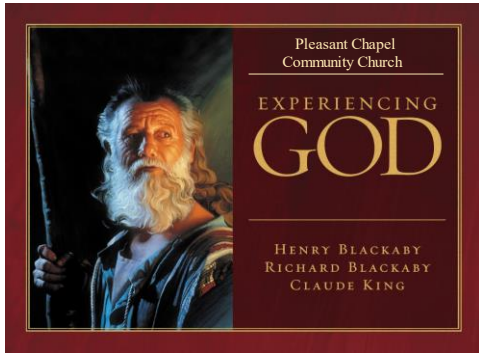
Focus will be mindset of safety personnel, mindset of person in the pew  
Run-Hid-Fight

Contact Brent Hammel for more information

**Thank you** to the Pleasant chapel Women’s Group for the poinsettias they purchased before Christmas and delivered to friends and shut-ins.

*anything He has for you. I believe that within the heart of every Christian is an innate desire to know God and to do His will.*

I hope you will consider participating in this 13-week study. If you are interested contact Joel ASAP for materials to be orders.



The church will be providing *Experiencing God* study beginning January 19<sup>th</sup> and the 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a Wednesday evening session from 6:30-7:30 pm and a Sunday morning session from 9:00-9:45 am each week (participants need only go to one). From the author:

*God is not a concept or a doctrine. He is a Person who seeks a close, one-on-one relationship with you and me. God does not want us to merely believe in Him, He wants to relate to us on a personal level. He does not just want to hear us recite prayers. He wants to converse with us. God's plan is not to abandon Christians once we are born again, leaving us to build the best life we can. He does not intend that we simply use our wits to “get by,” to bravely “survive” until we are finally ushered into heaven. God wants to be actively involved in our lives each day.*

*God knows what your life can become. Only He understands your full potential as His child. He does not want you to miss out on*

*When you became a Christian, you were immediately adopted as a child of the heavenly king. The king's business became your business. And now, as your Savior and Lord, Christ wants to bring your life into the middle of His activity, which offers salvation to every person on earth. God Himself will give you the desire to serve and obey Him. The Holy Spirit will create within you a longing to know the Father's will and to become involved in what God is doing around you. Yet God has far more in store for your life than merely giving you an assignment to accomplish for Him. He wants you to have an intimate love relationship with Him that is real and personal. Jesus said: “This is eternal life: that they may know You, the only true God, and the One You have sent—Jesus Christ” (John 17:3).*

**On November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021** Pleasant Chapel Community Church held a membership service to allow people to join (or transfer from the UMC) the church. 53 new members came forward to commit to Christ by joining the church.



	October 10, 2021	October 17, 2021	October 24, 2021	October 31, 2021	November 7, 2021	November 14, 2021	November 21, 2021	November 28, 2021	December 5, 2021	December 12, 2021	December 19, 2021	December 26, 2021	January 2, 2022
Attendance	70	51	30	56	73	39	34	39	53	53	62	43	43
Giving	1045	1790	496	1241	2598	1041	1664	1286	1237	1036	646	2480	

There were four baptisms as well. Breanne Hoffman, and Sawyer, Vivian, and Eliza were all baptized. It was a pretty special Sunday!

If you missed out and would like to become a member of PCCC, contact Joel.



**A pretty great Christmas Eve's Ever Service.** For the past several years Pleasant Chapel has offered worship on December 23<sup>rd</sup> since there are so many family and other activities on Christmas Eve.

COVID put a damper on the service last year, but this year we saw a large crowd come to worship through the Word, singing, lighting candles, receiving Communion, eating cookies and fellowshiping. Approximately 140 people attended the service.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the evening meaningful and enjoyable!

### **Thinking about resolutions.**

January seems to be the normal time many try to put on new behaviors like exercise and diet or to take off some poor behaviors like

tobacco or cheering for Purdue (just kidding on that one!)

For followers of Christ, this is the time many resolve to be more prayerful, to be more giving, to be more regular about church attend-

ance or reading the Bible. And we are to work towards these kinds of things:

#### **Philippians 4:8–9 (NRSV)**

<sup>8</sup> Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup> Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

“Keep on doing” Paul says. Being more prayerful, more into Scripture, more giving, more present are all honorable, commendable, and excellent attributes of being a follower. Becoming like Christ is not natural and requires work and discipline (there's discipline in being a disciple). It is about forming good habits. I was

reading a bit about habits and found some research results:

*On average, it takes more than 2 months before a new behavior becomes automatic — 66 days to be exact. And how long it takes a new habit to form can vary widely depending on the behavior, the person, and the circumstances. [It takes] anywhere from 18 days to 254 days for people to form a new habit.*

*In other words, if you want to set your expectations appropriately, the truth is that it will probably take you anywhere from two months to eight months to build a new behavior into your life...*

*Interestingly, the researchers also found that “missing one opportunity to perform the behavior did not materially affect the habit formation process.” In other words, it doesn't matter if you mess up every now and then. Building better habits is not an all-or-nothing process.*

(<https://jamesclear.com/new-habit>)

So, if you are working on an aspect of your life of faith, hang in there! Any changes you are working on takes time, discipline, and encouragement.

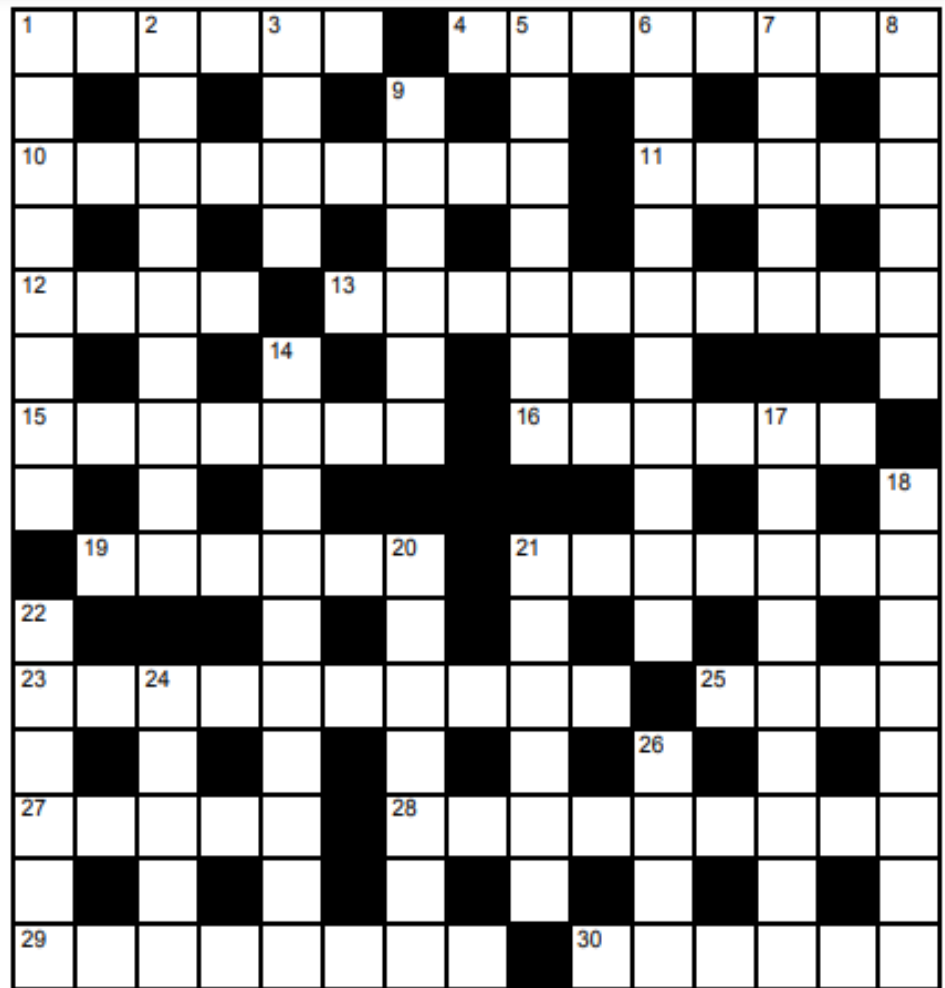
**But what a great promise that in your effort “the God of peace will be with you.”**

**Across**

- 1 An ancient weight (6)
- 4 Seemed (8)
- 10 New Testament book (9)
- 11 Unit of length (5)
- 12 '...it is a \_\_\_\_ thing the king requireth' (Dan 2:11) (4)
- 13 Contemplation (10)
- 15 Abigail supplied David with one hundred clusters of these (7)
- 16 A son of King David (6)
- 19 Concurred (6)
- 21 Light sources (7)
- 23 Propitiations (10)
- 25 A false god (4)
- 27 Gather (5)
- 28 Abimelech was hit by this (9)
- 29 Instructors (8)
- 30 Hastily (6)

**Down**

- 1 Skilled animal workers (8)
- 2 Inspiring (9)
- 3 Compass point (4)
- 5 Intense emotion (7)



by Philologus

© BiblePuzzles.org.uk

- 6 The words of Jeremiah said not to listen to these (10)
- 7 Jewish leader (5)
- 8 'He is proud, knowing nothing, but \_\_\_\_\_ about questions and strifes of words...' (1 Tim 6:4) (6)
- 9 Bread makers (6)
- 14 In this year of King Nebuchadrezzar's reign, Nebuzaradan arrived in Jerusalem (10)
- 17 Ancient city of Og, King of Bashan (9)
- 18 Stringed instrument (8)
- 20 Joseph, perhaps? (7)
- 21 Tiny amount (6)
- 22 Jesus did this with authority (6)
- 24 Last letter of the Greek alphabet (5)
- 26 Province of the Roman Empire (4)

2020

*Happy New Year*

*Catherine Pulsifer*

*Happiness depends upon your outlook on life. - Find the good in all situations*

*Attitude is just as important as ability. - Keep your attitude positive*

*Passion find yours this year! - Do what you love and you will never work*

*Positive thoughts make everything easier. - Stay focused and stay positive*

*You are unique, with special gifts, use them. - Never forget you have talent*

*New beginnings with a new year.*

*Enthusiasm a true secret of success.*

*Wishes may they turn into goals.*

*Years go by to quickly, enjoy them. - Wisdom from your elders, listen*

*Energy may you have lots of it. - Take care of yourself*

*Appreciation of life, don't take it for granted. - Live each day*

*Relax take the time to relax in this coming year. - Keep a balance in your life*

