# The Pleasant Traveler December 2022

Pleasant Chapel Community Church 880 E 1100 N Roanoke, IN 46783 www.pleasantchapel.org info@pleasantchapel.org Worship 10:00 am



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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Dec.	5 —	Bible	Study	(a)	Parsons	6.30

Dec 7 – Brofest @ 7am

Dec 7 – "Why the Nativity" movie at PC 6:00 pm

Dec 10 - Breakfast with Santa! 9-11 am

Dec 12 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30

Dec 14 – PC Women's meeting at Jill Law's 1pm

Dec 19 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30

Dec 21 – Brofest @ 7am

Dec 23 – Christmas Eve's Eve 7pm

Dec 25 – Christmas Lunch following worship

Dec 26 – Bible Study @ Parsons 6:30

# Greeters

Dec 4 Larry and Joyce
Dec 11 Julie and Lillian
Dec 18 Carissa and Matt
Dec 25 Candy and Jill
Jan 1 Roger and Ellen
Jan 8 Troy and Gayl
Jan 15 Andy and Andrea
Jan 22 Leona And Sarah

# **Acolytes**

Dec 4 Colclessers
Dec 11 Rices
Dec 18 Amicks
Dec 25 Hands
Jan 1 Hoffmans
Jan 8 Roehms
Jan 15 Amicks
Jan 22 Hands

### **Birthdays**

Dec 2 Stephen Dolby

Dec 3 Robert Lahr

Dec 3 Richard VanDuyn

Dec 6 Jeri Johnson

Dec 8 Diane Sherbahn

Dec 9 Dale Law

Dec 9 Matt Whitaker

Dec 10 John Rogers

Dec 10 Tim Nei

Dec 11 Elizabeth Stocker

Dec 15 Maddie Fairchild

Dec 15 Andy Amick

Dec 15 Makaihla Raichart

Dec 17 Jill Law

Dec 18 Rev. John Morris

Dec 18 Dorotha Souers

Dec 22 Grace Fairchild

Dec 22 Kevin Beck

Dec 23 John W. Rogers

Dec 26 Lilly Ayers

Dec 31 Mike Ayers

# **Anniversaries**

Dec 30 Jim and Cynthia Chesterman

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

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.

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

#### PC Women's Group

The Pleasant Chapel Women met on Wednesday, November 9th at 1:00 PM at Joann Dolby's home. President Jill Law opened the meeting by reading a devotion from "Women of God".

Minutes were read and approved. Treasurer's report was given. Missions: we received letters from Samaritan's Purse and Laurel Missions in Kentucky thanking us for our donations to them.

We signed cards to send to shut-ins and friends. Joann gave a lesson about early Thanksgivings and being thankful. Refreshments were served to five ladies.

at the church, or you can purchase your own through Amazon. There is a Kindle version as well. The cost is \$3.

Jeremiah's ministry has released a new Christmas movie with the same title. This is a docu-drama and is an excellent film for the whole family to focus again on "why Christmas.".

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. 11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:10–11

From GO175 Tammy Lickey reports that Erin Didion, the Executive Director at LOVE, Inc., is prayerfully asking for food donations for the month of December. Some food items that she is suggesting include: oatmeal, canned fruits and vegetables, rice, breakfast cereals, and peanut butter. She is asking for help from Pleasant Chapel because the number of families they are serving has increased. They have gone from serving 134 families to over 500! Let's show them what the Pleasant Chapel Community can collect to help them out this holiday season. Bring donated items to the church. Thanks!

**Advent Series** For Advent, the sermon series will be based on Dr. David Jeremiah's book *Why the Nativity?* Copies of his book are available

The church will show the movie in the sanctuary (snacks included!) on Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Hope you plan to attend and bring friends to the telling of this most awesome story!

Christmas Lunch – Following worship on Christmas morning will be a lunch for those interested. Please sign the clip board if you are interested in attending.

**Patriot Academy -** Now more than ever, our nation is in need of Biblical



citizens who grasp the dynamic unity of citizens of the Kingdom of God and citizens of this great nation! This course offers the quick-start guide to the longest-standing Constitution in history, complete with an overview of all the Articles, and Amendments. What sets this apart from other U.S. Constitution courses is the interactive, fast-paced presentations; the fabulous locations of Independence Hall and the Wallbuilders' Library; and finally our Biblical heritage intricately woven throughout the entire course!

You will learn how the founders relied on their Christian moorings and Biblical worldview to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity. You will also be treated to encouraging historical facts and inspirational true stories that are not taught in our educational institutions today. All in all you will be edified and equipped to operationalize your faith and practice Biblical Citizenship in Modern America!

The Course is managed by Heather Parsons and Great Race. The schedule of the course with Lunch will being provided.

Saturday, January 7th, 2023 to Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at Pleasant Chapel.

The meetings are also available remotely via Zoom.

Lesson 10 to 11:30 am (doors will open at 9:30am)

Lunch 11:30 to 12:30 pm discussion during lunch

Lesson 12:30 to 2:30 pm, depending on the discussion time

Books are available for purchase from Heather Parsons, youth books are available. Books are \$20 per book including shipping and handling.

Registration to sign up for the class is available online and a link for that can be found on our homepage.

#### Heather G. Parsons

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Thank you to everyone who helped with the tenderloin supper here at pleasant Chapel on Saturday, November 12th. The weather was kind of cold, but that made the tenderloin taste even better. We served over 300 meals and presented the profit of \$2868 to the Trustees.

Pleasant Chapel filled and delivered **27 Samaritan's Purse** Christmas child boxes. A special thank you to everyone who filled these boxes.

**Breakfast with Santa** will be at Pleasant Chapel on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 11:00 AM in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome.

**Please remember** to use our mailboxes at the church to give Christmas cards to your church family.

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Some from PC attended the **Fort Wayne Tour of Churches**. Several of the large area churches open their doors for people to see their facilities, decorations, share some music, and serve snacks.

We had the privilege of touring the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, First Presbyterian, Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox, Plymouth Congregational, St. John Evangelical Lutheran, Trinity English

Lutheran, Trinity Episcopal. So there was quite the variety of theology in these places of worship!

It was nice to be able to move freely about the areas of the church since during a worship service, that wouldn't be possible.

Each year I am awestruck at the effort and energy that went

into the creation (and maintenance) of these structures with all the ornate carvings, and paintings. Expense was not an issue when these buildings were built with very high ceilings and made with expensive material of wood, marble, and precious metals.

It is clear to me that those who created these spaces of worship intended to do their very best, with all they had, to create these spaces that best brings glory to God.

These would have been for them then, and still for many today, a central place of life *because all is about our best for Him*.

But I couldn't help but think another thought - about the many, the masses of people in our communities who simply either don't "get it" or worse yet, simply disregard what all this is about. So many today simply do not embrace anything about what these churches were doing — using these beautiful structures to magnify the



birth, life, sacrificial death, and resurrection of Jesus.

It is tragic that so many in our once-Christian cultures now claim no faith in Him. Those beautiful church structures are currently attended by a small fraction of the people who once worshipped there.

Perhaps the big fix begins with us. Just maybe we, those people who not only "get it" but got Him. We have Him as our Savior, as our Friend, as our Comforter, and as our Guide to life. It's feasible that there are those who may see Him in us as we really live like we really believe and then they just might respond to Him!

May we, this Christmas season, more fully embrace Him and what He has done in sending His Son for just for us, just for me and just for you!

The Merriest of Christmas to You!

Attendance	39	46	48	48	73	98	57	58	66	73	70	60	63	
Giving	2106	4318	626	533	2683	1513	1005	1454	2509	1616	1122	742	686	



In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan, Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone; Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow, In the bleak midwinter, long ago. Our God, Heaven cannot hold Him, nor earth sustain; Heaven and earth shall flee away when He comes to reign. In the bleak midwinter a stable place sufficed The Lord God Almighty, Jesus Christ.

Enough for Him, whom cherubim, worship night and day, Breastful of milk, and a mangerful of hay; Enough for Him, whom angels fall before, The ox and ass and camel which adore.

Angels and archangels may have gathered there,

Cherubim and seraphim thronged the air;

But His mother only, in her maiden bliss,

Worshipped the beloved with a kiss.

What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part; Yet what I can I give Him: give my heart.

