

# FAITHFINDER

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Small Groups: 9:00am

Worship Service: 10:00am

Service is also livestreamed:



Dv8 Youth Group will meet tonight at 5:30pm.



## Message

*The 3Ms of Christmas*

*Manger*

Luke 2:1-20

## Upcoming messages

### Christmas 2023

#### The 3Ms of Christmas

December 17: *Migdal Eder*

Luke 2:1-20

December 24

Christmas Eve service @ 10AM

December 31—Pastor Joe

#### **The Big 10**

January 7: *Intro*

Exodus 20.1-17

January 14: *No Other Gods*

Exodus 20.1-3

January 21: *Idolize Nothing*

Exodus 20.4-6

January 28: *Watch Your Mouth*

Exodus 20.7

## Prayer Requests:

Pray for Craig Pettyjohn and his family on the passing of his mother.

Pray for Vivian Shelford and her family on the passing of her mother.

Pray for our homebound members during this Christmas season.

Pray for those who are grieving and feeling alone.

Pray for peace and reconciliation in the world.

Pray for our Board of Managers and the decisions that they make.

Pray for our members who are in the hospital or recovering at home.

Pray for where you may serve as a volunteer at Faith.

Pray for our Preschool teachers and families.

Pray for our Kids Before/After School Care.

Pray for our country and its leaders.

Pray for our local teachers, students, & administrators.

Pray for our shoeboxes as they make their way to children around the world.

Pray for our missionaries.

Pray for those leading Bible Studies & witnessing to those who seek Christ.

Pray for our church friends and family.

Pray to strengthen friendships and restore those that are broken.

Pray for those helping aging parents.

Pray for families and marriages in crisis. Pray for family unity.

## Songs of Praise and Worship

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

*Away in a Manger*

*Emmanuel*

*What a Glorious Night!*

## Welcome!

**We're glad you are here!**

Please fill out a Connection Card so that we may record your attendance and welcome you if you are our guest.

Prayer requests may be shared on the back of the card.



## Church Staff:

Rev. Dr. Steven Roper-Lead Pastor—pastorstevefbc@gmail.com

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**Happy Birthday on December:**

11th—Debbie Judy  
12th—Lincoln Dye, Cooper Marden  
13th—Don Katter

**Happy Anniversary to:**

Steven & Sheila Roper on December 11th.

**Annual Meeting**

Plan to stay after worship this Sunday, December 10, to review and approve our 2024 Budget and to discuss other church business. This is also a time when you may ask questions about our Worship Leader candidate. Copies of the budget are available at the Connection Wall.

**Faith Family Night  
Gingerbread House Party  
Wednesday, December 13th**

5:30 pm—Cookies & Cocoa 6:00—House Decorating  
Come and make a gingerbread house with your family!  
After the fun is done, everyone will vote on their favorite!

**Fruit baskets** for our homebound members will be prepared this coming Saturday, December 16. If you can help on this day or would like to deliver a basket, please see Angela Iden.

**Once again, the Board of Managers** and the congregation of Faith Baptist Church would like to distribute a "love gift" to our staff members at Christmas to express our appreciation for all that they do throughout the year. If you would like to contribute to this "love gift" (cash only, please!), designated envelopes may be found in the pew pockets. Envelopes may then be placed in the collection plate or given to our Moderator, Steve Sliger, or to Vickie Pettyjohn. THANK YOU!

**Welcome to Kids Zone!**

Available during worship

**Serving in the Nursery**

Volunteers needed—could this be your ministry?

**3 years thru 5th Grade**

Kim Hettinger

**Please sign in down the Faithville Hall.**

**XYZ will be meeting** Thursday, December 14, in Judson Hall at 10:30am. We will have the Preschool children perform for us. We will have games and a white elephant exchange (bring a wrapped gift). There will be pulled pork sandwiches with all bringing a covered dish. There is a \$3.00 charge for the entrée. Members will be called for attendance. To be included, call Gloria Bell—760-2188.

**Offering envelopes for 2024** are available in the coat room. If you need envelopes and do not see a box with your name, please see Beth in the office.

**Christmas Eve Service**

will be

Sunday, December 24th at 10:00am

There will be no evening service on this day.

**Thank you** to our Worship Ministry Team and their helpers for so beautifully preparing our church for this Advent Season.

**Please continue to keep** Jayden Manz and Joshua Roper in your prayers as they minister to the homeless. They are still accepting donations of toiletries to help bless the people of Fort Wayne.



**Faith Food Pantry**

Open Fridays 1:00-2:30 pm or by appointment.  
Contact Pastor Joe for more information.

**Small Groups Meeting This Week**

Name of Group	Meeting Time	Leader(s)	Current Study	Gathering Place
Pathfinder Class	Sunday 9:00am	Lowell Shepler	<i>Isaiah</i>	Faith—Judson Hall 4
Friendship Class	Sunday 9:00am	Mark Benzinger	<i>Judges</i>	Faith—Judson Hall 1
Living Stones	Sunday 9:00am	Pastor Joe/Vickie Pettyjohn	<i>True Spirituality:Romans 12</i>	Faith—Classroom A
Family/Couples	Sunday after worship	John & Cathy Batuello	<i>Lunch &amp; Discussion</i>	Judson Hall
Dv8 Youth Group	Sunday 6:00pm	Pastor Stephen		Family Life Center
Restore: Young Adults	Sunday 6:00pm	Pastor Joe	<i>Proverbs</i>	Judson Hall 2
Big Monday Men's Group	Monday 7:00pm	Pastor Roper	<i>That The World May Know</i>	Pastor's Home3312 Walden Run
Pastor's Bible Study	Wednesday 10:00am	Pastor Roper	<i>Ezekiel</i>	Classroom A
Restore: Couples	Wednesday 6:00pm	Pastor Joe	<i>Marriage</i>	Faith Coffee Bar
Roper Group	Thursday 6:30pm	Pastor Roper	<i>Revelation</i>	Pastor & Sheila's Home