

THE *Christmas* PLEDGE



1. To remember those people who truly need my gifts. | 2. To express my love for family and friends in more direct ways than presents. | 3. To rededicate myself to the spiritual growth of my family. | 4. To examine my holiday activities in light of the true spirit of Christmas. | 5. To initiate one act of peacemaking within my family and friends.:

JEAN GOOCH

Please continue to pray for Jean Gooch, Neal's sister, for healing and restoration. God is able to do above what we ask!

PAUL BAUER

Your continued prayer support of Paul Bauer, Josh's friend, is greatly appreciated.

BIBLE STUDY (Off Campus)

Studies are scheduled at Kimberly's on: December 14, & 21.



TODAY...



We want to bless Rodolfo & Toni Rios for Christmas with gift cards to local restaurants as a token of our love for them. Let's share God's goodness! **PLEASE SIGN THEIR CHRISTMAS CARD...**

GRAPPLE GIFTS GALORE

This fun and exciting Grapple Event happens today—right after service!

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FROM MANGER TO MAJESTY

Dec 03 » The Humanity of Jesus

Dec 10 » The Deity of Jesus

Dec 17 » The Virgin Birth

Dec 24 » Jesus: The Savior of the World

PRAYER REQUESTS ▶ THINKING-OF-YOU PRAYER

Breanna V. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michelle G. ▶ Spiritual growth	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elizabeth S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brian H. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Suzie S. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Benjamin G. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noe F. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rick W. ▶ Pinched nerve	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kenny D. ▶ Neurological	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ray H. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Danny L. ▶ Peace Corps	<input type="checkbox"/>	Karen W. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Phyllis L. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheyenne W. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Misty L. ▶ Headaches	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tommy F. ▶ Healing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jason G. ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>		

▶ URGENT PRAYER

Barb S. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stein Family ▶ Salvation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Toni R. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Danny R. ▶ ALS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peggy K. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gerry G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Emma G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ruth H. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sam H. ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Terry P. ▶ Cancer/spleen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Judi G. ▶ Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bob Z. ▶ Lung Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gearen Family ▶ Drawn closer to God	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul B. ▶ Surgeries	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cindy ▶ Cardiac Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>		

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“In the manger God loves you. Through the cross God saves you.” —Max Lucado

METRICS THAT MATTER (12/03/17)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 34 GIVING ▶ \$3,466²⁵ GUESTS ▶ 0
 VOLUNTEERS ▶ 15 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0

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FROM MANGER TO MAJESTY

THE DEITY OF JESUS

⁸ Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

⁹ Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. *John 14:8-10*

HOW DOES THE BIBLE DESCRIBE JESUS?

The Bible presents a clear picture of who Jesus really is. He is not fashioned according to culture or personal tastes, but he is described as the long-awaited Messiah with specific prophecies that pinpoint his birthplace, mission and character.

JESUS WAS HONORED AS GOD

- » The wise men worshiped him at his birth.
Matthew 2:10-12
- » The leper worshiped Him at his healing.
Matthew 8:2
- » The synagogue ruler worshiped Him.
Matthew 9:18-19
- » The disciples worshiped him in the boat.
Matthew 14:32-33
- » The mother of James and John worshiped Him.
Matthew 20:20-21
- » The blind man worshiped Him at his healing.
John 9:35-38
- » The women worshiped Him at the empty tomb.
Matthew 28:8-10

JESUS HAS THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

- » Eternally existent. // *Everlasting Father.* // Isaiah 9:6
- » He is immutable. // *Unchanging.* // James 1:17
- » He is omnipotent. // *All-powerful.* // Mt. 28:18
- » He is omnipresent. // *Everywhere present.* // Mt. 18:20
- » He is omniscient. // *Knows all things.* // John 16:30



JESUS HAS THE NAMES OF GOD

- » Immanuel. // *God with us.* // Isaiah 7:14
- » Fourfold name. // *Messiah.* // Isaiah 9:6
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father.
- » Holy // *Isaiah 57:15*
- » Redeemer // *Isaiah 63:16*
- » The Christ // *Mt. 24:5*
- » King of Kings // *Rev. 19:16*
- » Lord // *Phil. 2:9-11*



JESUS PERFORMS THE DEEDS OF GOD

- » Creator // *John 1:3, 10*
- » Healer // *Mt. 21:11*
- » Sustainer // *Acts 17:25*
- » Ruler over nature // *Ps. 107:23-30*

⁸⁻¹⁰ Watch out for people who try to dazzle you with big words and intellectual double-talk. They want to drag you off into endless arguments that never amount to anything. They spread their ideas through the empty traditions of human beings and the empty superstitions of spirit beings. But that's not the way of Christ.

Everything of God gets expressed in him, so you can see and hear him clearly. You don't need a telescope, a microscope, or a horoscope to realize the fullness of Christ, and the emptiness of the universe without him. When you come to him, that fullness comes together for you, too. His power extends over everything. **Colossians 2:8-10 MSG**



Angel Tree

JCC has chosen to bless a family in need this Christmas. In order to do that, we are providing an *Angel Tree* in the back of the auditorium.

Simply select an individual listed on the tree by taking one or more of the angels and purchasing the designated gift. You will find that the wish lists on the “*angels*” are needs not wants.

We ask that you bring the wrapped or bagged gifts to JCC on Sunday, December 17.

Should you have any questions regarding the *Angel Tree* ministry, please contact Emma.

When you help the poor you are lending to the Lord—and he pays wonderful interest on your loan!
Proverbs 19:17 TLB