



# January Worship Themes

## January 6

Theme: God Appears

Bible: Isaiah 60.1-6, Matthew 2.1-12

Message: We Can Light the Way

Main Thought: Jesus said, “Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to God.”

## January 13

Theme: A Look Back At the Gospel

Bible: Luke 3:15-22, 4:1-13

Message: The Baptism of Our Lord

Main Thought: Jesus did not go around in secret, but in public. He announced to the world that He was God’s son

## January 20

Theme: A Look Back At the Gospel

Bible: Acts 1:1-6, Luke 24:36-43

Message: He Is the Messiah

Main Point: We should know the message before we go out

**Formation Question: Is Jesus Lord of your life?**

## January 27

Theme: Ascension

Bible: Acts 1:6-14

Message: “I Trust You to Be My Witnesses”

Main Point: The reason Jesus left this earth is because His disciples were ready to continue His work.

**Formation Question: Where will you start to witness?**

You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem,  
in Judea and Samaria to the ends  
of the earth



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**Emergency Pastoral Care**

**920-421-1968**

**\*Pastor Michael's e-mail!**

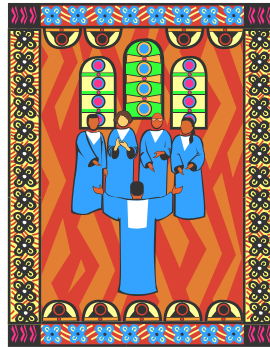
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**E-mail Updates\***

Please notify the office of any e-mail changes and birthdays.

If you know of e-mail updates of members and friends,  
please feel free to send along this newsletter.

Thanks so much!



**AN INVITATION** We hope you were in the congregation to hear the Christmas Cantata, “Morning Star”. It ushered in our Advent season with joy! And we do thank our Sanctuary Singers. Now 2019 is before us. New Year’s resolutions may be on your agenda. You could explore something new. Perhaps you would like to join the choir? There is a rehearsal schedule on the bulletin board at the north entrance of Calvary, or see Joan Vahey. Please consider it. You might have fun!

**CALLING GREETERS & FELLOWSHIP HOSTS**

Greeters and Fellowship hosts are needed to offer gifts of hospitality.

**Please sign up to help welcome our guests!**

*“Don’t burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame.  
Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant. . .  
inventive in hospitality” (Romans 12:13, NLT)*

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## **CALVARY/ZION UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)**

There will NOT be a meeting in January. The Brunch Bunch will meet on Monday, January 21st at 9:15am at White Gull.

## **JANUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH: Red Bird Mission**

The Red Bird Mission is a UMC missionary conference and is located in the Appalachian mountains of southeastern Kentucky. It empowers individuals and advocates justice by providing:

- Education
- Health and Wellness
- Community Outreach
- Elderly Ministries
- Family Ministries
- Women and Children's Ministries

We encourage each of you to generously help support this mission of the United Methodist Church in helping to provide services to those in this economically impoverished area of Kentucky. *Thanks so much for sharing your gifts!*

## **COST FREE MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

There are several ways in which you can help support missions that don't cost you anything. Here are a few ideas.

The following can be turned in at church:

- Box Tops for Education
- Campbell Soup labels
- Labels for Education – Post Foods and Campbell Foods
- Kid\$ Cap\$ for Cash from milk bottles
- Econo Foods grocery receipts

Sign up at:

- Target for rebates to the school of your choice
- Pick 'n Save for automatic rebates to either church

## **SPECIAL THANKS**

A special thank you to all who contributed to the December Mission of the Month: Emergency Heating Assistance. Also, due to the number and severity of recent storms and fires, we will continue collecting money for UMCOR for disaster relief. A thank you was received from Coventry Care, Midwest Mission Distribution Center, and Sunshine House for recent donations from Calvary and Zion. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by those in need.



## **CURRENT EVENTS @ CALVARY**

Current Events meets Tuesdays at 9:00am in the Calvary Library; Warren Burlend, host. All are welcomed.

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### **MINISTRY OF PRAYER**

Christ taught us to pray and encourages us to pray unceasingly. Let us continually pray for our loved ones, our friends, our world. Michelle Reinhard is our Prayer Chain leader. You may contact her by email: [teachers@gate.net](mailto:teachers@gate.net) using "Prayer Chain" in the subject line. For those without email, please call her cell phone 727-480-4409 year-round or locally at 920-839-9911 (Easter thru October). Michelle would like to start a phone prayer chain so people who do not have email can participate. The information would be the same, but you would receive a call. If you are interested in joining the email prayer chain or being included in the phone chain, please let Michelle know so you can be added to this "link of faith".

### **ZION NEWS**

Today the sun is shining, the snow is melting, the breezes are light. A beautiful day for late in December!

On December 9, the Gibraltar High School chorus blessed us with Christmas music during the worship service. The Christmas tree, the angel tree, the window trims, wreaths on the doors, outside creche and the poinsettias in the chancel all proclaimed the Christmas season with a warm welcome. Yet to come was the candlelight service. All beckoned, "Come and worship."

Each Sunday Pastor Michael challenges us to be kind, considerate, thoughtful and patient as we go about our errands in the stores and are on the road; then for us to seek to make this a regular habit. In this way to be Christ in the community.

The New Year brings other challenges. If resolutions are made, such as making a new start on overcoming a problem or declaring a change in attitude, etc., and we dare to face the issue and seek to conquer, what will be our success rating? Does the pro or the con have the greater power? Any effort for betterment is never lost. Praise God for second chances and for any progress gained!

Each community has its own special activities. Sister Bay will have its second Cherry Drop New Year's Eve. This winter will test the patience of drivers as both Fish Creek and Ephraim plan major highway revamping. Since the highway goes through the middle of the towns, detours required a great deal of thoughtful decisions to avoid undo hassle. All travelers will need to do extra planning and practice a lot of patience and tolerance.

May each of you have a healthy year filled with the good things of life and mind and soul enclosed in the blessings and love of Almighty God.

"A nation without God's guidance is a nation without order. Happy is the man who keeps God's law." Proverbs 29:18. Pray for America and the nations of the world!

Myrtle Clark



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### **CALENDAR ITEMS**

If you have any events or items you wish to have included in future newsletters, please call or email the office for inclusion.

### **TAKING DOWN THE GREENS AT CALVARY**

Tuesday, January 8th at 10:30am. All are welcome to help. Many hands make the job go quickly!

### **CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

Dear Members and Friends,

We will continue to publish a brief financial report. You will notice what our year-to-date offerings have been compared to our expenses. After looking at the report, if you have any questions please ask me.

In Christ, Michael B. Morris, Pastor

#### **Year to date through November 30, 2018**

##### Calvary

Income: \$98,986

Expenses: \$90,429

Net Income: \$8,557

##### Zion

Income: \$54,283

Expenses: \$43,152

Net Income: \$11,131



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**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 3. Sally Alexander
- 4. Bob Bricker
- 6. Dottie Mirkes-Lopez
- 11. Arlene Pfeiffer  
Bill Rix
- 16. Frank Murphy
- 23. Carol Beausang
- 26. Sue Dietrich
- 28. Marie Bertschinger  
Maggie Mae Moroney
- 29. Sueann Moroney
- 30. Rod Alexander  
Pam Lang
- 31. Cindy Livingston

**FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 1. J. C. Pfeiffer
- 7. Peter Peterson
- 9. David Pitchford

***In Our Thoughts & Prayers***

*All suffering with illness  
All recuperating from surgery  
All awaiting test results  
All lingering in the grief of loss  
All struggling to make ends meet  
All striving to bring healing in their families  
All serving in the military and overseas*

***Members & Friends in Assisted Living***

Evelyn Mueller  
Sturgeon Bay Health Services, Sturgeon Bay  
Wesley Fischer  
Sturgeon Bay Health Services, Sturgeon Bay  
Mary Ann Masson  
Alexian Village, Milwaukee

Our sincere condolences for the families of  
Randall Mueller and Greg Bramer  
who recently passed away

# January 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Mission of the Month: Red Bird Mission</b>		<b>1</b> Office closed	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Epiphany Communion Sunday	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9am Current Events @Calvary 10:30am Taking Down the Greens @Calvary	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 9am Current Events @Calvary	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9:30 Finance Comm. @Calvary 10:30 Church Council @Calvary 4:00 Zion Church Council	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 9am Current Events @Calvary	<b>23</b> Newsletter Articles Due Today	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany	<b>28</b> 9:15 United Meth. Women Brunch Bunch @White Gull	<b>29</b> 9am Current Events @Calvary	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		