

November 26, 2017



A
CHRISTMAS
PARABLE

MATTHEW 18:21-35

“A Christmas Parable” Matthew 18:21-35

Have you decided where you are going for _____ this year?

- If _____ don't decide where we are going, _____ will decide for you.
- “... we take captive every _____ and make it obedient to _____.” (2 Corinthians 10:5)
- Philippians 2:1-11 ...

Most often the focus of Christmas is _____ and _____.

What if this year we respond in a way that _____ the gift we have received?

Some gifts _____ us.

I am to respond by doing what _____ did for _____.

- A Christmas Parable – Matthew 18:21-35

An appropriate response to God's mercy and grace is for us to give _____ and _____.

- Instead of just celebrating Christmas this year, let's be _____ by Christmas this year.



The
Memorial Tree

will be in the Atrium
beginning next week.
Feel free to add your
memorial ornament.

*A beautiful way to
remember loved ones*



resolve 

**WINTER
RETREAT**

DECEMBER - 01-03 | \$45

5th & 6th Grade ONLY

CHECK WITH MARK & PATTY TODAY!!!

2017 Worship Schedule

12/03 Big Band

12/10 Praise Ringers

12/17 Worship Choir Christmas

12/24 Combined Worship (10:30am)

12/24 Christmas Eve (7pm)

12/31 Combined Worship (10:30am)



TODAY

6:00 p.m. Student LifeGroups

MONDAY, November 27

9:15 a.m. Rev Strength Class

6:30 p.m. Praise Ringers

TUESDAY, November 28

6:30 p.m. Rev Fit Class

WEDNESDAY, November 29

9:15 a.m. Rev Strength Class

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Youth

Anderson Christian Martial Arts (8 yrs. & up)

Worship Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, November 30

6:30 p.m. Rev Fit Class

FRIDAY, December 1

5:30 p.m. Resolve Retreat to Wandering Wheels

SATURDAY, December 2

SUNDAY, December 3 Big Band Playing

9:00 a.m. Worship - Congregational Meeting

Sunday School Classes

10:30 a.m. Worship - Congregational Meeting

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11:45 a.m. Worship Choir & Kid's Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Student LifeGroups

THIS WEEK

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Bethany Christian Church** will be collecting instant mashed potatoes and gravy for Operation Love's Christmas food baskets. Please help fill the grocery carts near Connecting Point so Operation can fulfill this much needed ministry. The deadline for food items is December 3. Questions? Contact Tim Fair through the church office, 765.643.5713.
- **A Congregational Meeting** will take place on December 3 for officers election, budget approval, and bylaw amendments. Copies of the bylaw amendments are available at Connecting Point.
- **Sarah Circle** will be meeting on Tuesday, 12/5 in the Fireside Room at 9:30 a.m. for their Christmas pitch-in and gift exchange. For more information about Sarah Circle, contact Mary Ehle at 649.4689.
- **Calling all Senior Adults ...** Come to the next Young At Heart Meeting on December 6 from 1:pm to 2:30 pm and hear Bob Bell talk about his recent 3-month Sabbatical. I promise, this will be both informative and good! We meet in the Fireside Room. Looking forward to seeing you there!
- **Grace Marriage** sign-ups are going on through the month of November. The sign-ups are for first time/first year and also for those signing up for the second year. Please sign up at Connecting Point. If you have questions about Grace Marriage please stop by Connecting Point or contact Tim Fair in the office or at tim.fair@bccanderson.org.
- **2017 Sabbatical Survey Forms:** Please take the time to complete this survey concerning the *Deep Roots* Sabbatical Program. The survey is available at <http://bccanderson.org/2017sabbaticalsurvey/>. The information will serve as a tool to assess the *Deep Roots* Sabbatical, and will be helpful for upcoming programs and activities at Bethany Christian Church.
- **Operation Christmas Child Update:** Many thanks to all who took both time and money to fill and decorate shoeboxes for the Operation Christmas Child ministry. 157 boxes from Bethany are on their way to put smiles on the faces and tell the story of Jesus' love in the hearts of children the world over. This number represents 54 boxes packed, labeled, loved and prayed over by our awesome 5th and 6th graders, plus 44 from Circle members and many more from other Sunday School classes and wonderful individuals. Thanks to those who donated over \$700 to help with postage for the student-packed boxes. God's love certainly shines through hearts, hands and shoeboxes at Bethany!

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