

Weekly Calendar

December 7, Sunday

Early Morning (Main Bldg.)

8:30 a.m.

Morning Worship at NorthPoint (FLC)

9:30 a.m.

Bible Study (Main Bldg.)

9:45 a.m.

Bible Study at NorthPoint (FLC)

10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship (Main Bldg.)

11:00 a.m.

Widows Banquet (FH)

Noon

“Meet & Greet” Jillian Hoover (FH)

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Special-Called Business Meeting (Main Bldg.)

6:00 p.m.

Discipleship Pathway Groups (Main Bldg.)

6:30 p.m.

December 8, Monday

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Processing Trip (December 8-9)

Senior Adult Exercise Class (FLC)

9:00 a.m.

December 9, Tuesday

Celebrate Recovery (FLC-Loft/5:45 – 6:30 p.m. Fellowship Time)

6:30 p.m.

December 10, Wednesday

Senior Adult Exercise Class (FLC)

9:00 a.m.

Discipleship Pathway Group

1:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Meal (FH)

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Mission Committee Meeting (Room 206)

5:30 p.m.

Mission Friends (3s, 4s, 5s & Kindergarten)

6:30 p.m.

TeamKID (Grades 1-6)

6:30 p.m.

The Loft @ FLC (Grades 7-12)

6:30 p.m.

Discipleship Pathway Groups

6:30 p.m.

Adult Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m.

December 12, Friday

Senior Adult Exercise Class (FLC)

9:00 a.m.

FBC Leadership Team

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Coming in View of a Call

Jillian Hoover LeCompte is coming in view of a call for the position of part-time Mission’s Director.

On Sunday, December 7, there will be a “Meet & Greet” in the Fellowship Hall from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Afterwards at 6:00 p.m. there will be a special-called business meeting to vote.

The Pastor's Corner

For week two of Advent 2025 we will be looking into the topics of grace and reconciliation. The Jewish world that Jesus came into was fractured, persecuted and desperate. Some were desperate for some kind, any kind, of deliverance from their poverty and Roman oppression. While others, like the Sadducees, were desperate to cling to the power and wealth that had come to them in partnership with the Roman oppressors. William Barclay, a Scottish minister and professor, noted in his commentary on Matthew 2 that there was a world-wide sense of expectation of a new kind of king coming from the Middle East. Even Roman historians wrote about this expectation around the time of the birth of Jesus. What the world longed for back then is much the same as what it needs today – a way to be made right with our Creator God. That way, as we well know today, was and is Jesus. I hope you can be here this week to celebrate the reconciliation we all need and the grace that brought it down to man. Happy Advent.

Pastor James



W.I.L.D. Tutoring

W.I.L.D. Tutoring takes place every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday in the intermediate library from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. We are focusing on the 3rd grade this year and are servicing 22 students. We rotate weeks between reading and math content. All materials and schedules are provided. We need more people to work with these students. You can work for one, two or all three days. It is a great opportunity to work with students. You will make a difference. Please email or call if you are interested. Shari Rhea—Cassville Intermediate School (417) 847-4010 or srhea@cassville.k12.mo.us.

Coming Up

Worship Choir Christmas

Sunday, December 14, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

Candlelight Lord's Supper Service

Sunday, December 21, 6:30 p.m.

A Word from the Children's Director

Happy Advent! It is officially the Christmas season. There are a lot of connotations surrounding this holiday: presents, Santa, reindeer, giving, joy, cheer, togetherness, family, charity (just to name a few). I don't believe any of these things are inherently bad on their own, but they all miss the mark. This season is about hope, peace, joy, love and Christ.

Christmas is about **hope** – the fulfillment of the promised Messiah God's chosen people had been hoping for (even if they didn't believe it was Him) and the hope that Jesus is coming again.

Christmas is about **peace** – the Prince of Peace that came to defeat sin and death once and for all, bringing everlasting peace to anyone that follows Him.

Christmas is about **joy** – the joy of knowing that we have a Savior. He left His throne in heaven to come down, seek and save the lost.

Christmas is about **love** – God is love. It is because of His love for us that He sent Jesus to save us when we were helpless to save ourselves.

And, finally, Christmas is about **Christ** – quite literally the reason for the season, Jesus is the embodiment and giver of hope, peace, joy, and love.

I challenge you to share the true meaning of this holiday with the people in your life. Whether you've known them for a long time or a short time, they need to hear it.

Rebecca

Hospital Update

(as of 12-1-2025)

Melinda Girardi – Recently Dismissed



Discipleship Pathway New Group

Ray Vander Laan Discipleship Series (Season 1)

Class begins Wednesday, January 7, 2026

This is a video-driven 6-session study with discussion and will be offered on Wednesday night only. Watch for signups.

Mission Committee Meeting

Wednesday, December 10

5:30 p.m. – Room 206

Upward Prayer

December 7-13

Pray for all involved in Upward to encounter Christ and the hope that comes only from Him!

Senior Adult Carry-in Lunch and Christmas

White Elephant Gift Exchange

Tuesday, December 16

11:30 a.m. – Fellowship Hall



Please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. Don't forget to bring a wrapped inexpensive gift for our white elephant gift exchange. This will be a great time of fun, fellowship and laughs.

Christmas Outreach

We are blessing 100 less fortunate families in our community with Laundry/Hygiene Blessing Bags. If you would like to donate items from the list below, bring them to the church Fellowship Hall on or before Sunday, December 7.



Bar Soap (3pk), deodorant, dryer sheets, shampoo, toothpaste, dish washing liquid, laundry detergent, bleach, toilet paper (6pk).

Items will be sorted, counted and bags will be assembled on Monday morning, December 8. Volunteers will be needed. If you would like to help, sign up in the foyer or call the church office, 417-847-2965.

Nursery Help Needed

More helpers are needed in the nursery at 8:30 on Sundays. This would be a once-a-month commitment.

