

my notes

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2018

Lined area for taking notes.

Gentle Shepherd Community Church Small Groups

Facilitators:	Place:	Day of Week:	Time:
Ken and Lynne Whitton	Meaford	Thursday	2:00 PM
Joel and Corynne Dawson	Flesherton	Tuesday	7:00 PM
Ruth Johnston	Markdale	Tuesday	7:00 PM
John and Shirley Ferris	GSCC	Wednesday	7:00 PM
Doreen Green—Ladies Prayer Group	Cedarside/Flesherton	Thursday	9:30 AM
Robyn Croft @ Laurretta Alward—Ladies Group	Flesherton	Monday	7:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Study	GSCC	Wednesday	1:30 PM
David McIntyre— Men's Group	tba	Thursday	tba

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community church

Call to Worship
Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle - JOY
Joan Penfold and Wendy Weber

Worship in Song and Offering
Payge Lucas and Team

Prayers of the Church //
Dedication of White Gifts

Scripture Reading
Jim Dawson ~ Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 2:1-12

Morning Message
"Because of Bethlehem ... we have Joy!"
Rev. Adam Nickell

Closing Carol
"Angels We Have Heard on High" (#192)



7 day strategy

M o n d a y D e c e m b e r 1 7
Monday Morning Prayer Time (10am-12pm) // Markdale King's Kids (3pm) // Jr. Youth - *Ignite* (7pm)

T u e s d a y D e c e m b e r 1 8
Pastor Adam @ Chaplaincy Rounds Markdale Hospital (10am) // 60+ Lunch Bunch (12:30pm) // Osprey Kings Kid's (3pm)

W e d n e s d a y D e c e m b e r 1 9
Men's Breakfast @ The Restaurant (8am) // Caroling - Grey Gables (7pm) // GriefShare (7pm - final meeting)

T h u r s d a y D e c e m b e r 2 0
Ladies Prayer Gathering @ Doreen Green's (9:30am) // Flesherton King's Kids (3pm) // Choir Practice (6:30pm)

F r i d a y D e c e m b e r 2 1
Love Committee Distribution Day

S u n d a y D e c e m b e r 2 3
Pre-Service Prayer (9:45am); Worship (10:30am) - 4th Sunday of Advent - LOVE // Christmas Eve Presentation Practice (following service)

M o n d a y D e c e m b e r 2 4
Remember our Christmas Eve Service **begins at 7pm.**



mission moment

Below is an update received from Bobby and Sandy Jank:

The Jank's arrived at their village without any major problems or delays. The only bump in the road was having to leave behind 50kg of supplies to accommodate the size of the guard assigned to ensure the Jank's traveled where they had specified. They are in need of the following prayers:

- > Finding an optimal signal for their internet service;
- > Energy to complete any repairs and cleaning to their home;
- > For ongoing guidance, strength and safety.

Bobby and Sandy are grateful for all the prayers they are receiving.

watch n'pray

- > Prayers are needed for the Love Committee this week, as they collect, sort and pack the Christmas Boxes. Please continue prayer as the team delivers these packages Friday.
- > Praise the Lord, Piper Sicard has enjoyed several months free from arthritic pain and stiffness. Please pray for continued healing and reduced inflammation.
- > Lillian Weatherall has suffered the return of breast cancer. She covets our prayers as she recovers at home from a full mastectomy. Please pray for healing and a full recovery.
- > Please pray for Rev. Derwyn Docken and his wife Jean as they transition from Gentle Shepherd to their new church fellowship in Chesley, beginning in the New Year. A difficult decision, however, they feel led to support their daughter who is the Associate Pastor at the new church. An added bonus is the decreased Sunday travel time.
- > Wendy Bullock is in need of healing prayer as she is not progressing as well as the doctors had hoped. She is currently awaiting a drainage tube to assist with healing.
- > Derrick Simpson, the 28 yr. old grandson of Barry and Marion Grummet, is now recovering at home. Your continued prayer is appreciated.
- > Ongoing prayers for Shirley Clark are requested. She has been moved back to Markdale Hospital. Any one able to visit her would be appreciated.
- > Joy Nickell continues to suffer severe symptoms from a concussion sustained in the summer. Please pray into recovery from hearing loss and painful headaches.
- > For those battling cancer: Darlene Grummett; Steven Ireland; Cindy Hargrave, Cathy McPhee, Diana Stephens, Ruth Kentner (Dianne Carlson's friend), Carol Lundsted and Vi Wilson.
- > Ongoing prayer for Wendy Bullock, Les and Veronica Burnham, Shirley Clark, Ruth Colgan, Jonathan Gillies, May Gordon, Allison Kelly, Payge Lucas, Art Proctor, Iona Shier, Piper Sicard, Gord Smith, Peter Symons, Joan White, Leone Wight.
- > Grey Gables Residents: Don Bullock and Tom Walton.
- > Please pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122).
- > To activate the prayer chain, contact either Joan McGee 519.924.2936 or Esther Pringle 519.538.9046.

please pray for our mission partners

- > Bobby & Sandy Jank (New Tribes Mission Venezuela)
- > "G" (SIM Ethiopia) - See update on Mission wall in Narthex
- > Ken & Nancy (North Africa)
- > David Sangnay, Suwit Duangkaew, G. Nawdin (Frontier Labourers for Christ - Thailand/ Myanmar)
- > Margaret T, Indonesia - OMF (Prayer Partner)
- > Prayers for Cheryl and Donna Pridham, missionaries at the Widow's School in Samaru-Kataf, Nigeria (Prayer Partner)
- > Rev. Bitrus and Monica Audu, Christ Missionary Outreach, Nigeria (Prayer Partner)
- > Our short term missionaries Pastor Adam Nickell and Mat Wood - Ethiopia Mission
- > Adam (North Africa)

for the fridge door

- > **The 60+ Lunch Bunch** will meet this **Tuesday, December 18th 12:30pm**. Join us for a **Christmas Potluck Lunch** and wonderful fellowship.
- > Mission Night Ethiopia!! Please mark your calendar for January 18th, 2019, 7pm - Pastor Adam and Mat Wood will recount their Mission trip to Ethiopia.
- > The **Foodbank** was busier than usual during the month of November, with **4 new families** added to our list. **Remember**, when school busses are canceled the foodbank is also closed. As a partner of the Flesherton Love Committee we are in need of fresh carrots, onions, and non-perishable items. One family is in need of a washing machine. The Flesherton Foodbank will open on Tuesday, January 8th, 2019 at 10am.
- > Please **submit prayers** placed on your heart for the Indigenous People of Canada for our upcoming **Prayer Night** in the **New Year**. These will be consolidated and provided to the congregation for additional prayer. All prayers will then be brought before God on our designated Prayer Night.
- > Gentle Shepherd is scheduled to provide **Christmas Caroling** at Grey Gables, this coming **Wednesday, December 19th from 7-9pm**. All are welcome to come and participate.
- > **Are you in need of a devotional for 2019?** There are a number of gently used devotionals in the library. Please speak to Joan Penfold or Heather Wight to secure a copy.
- > There are **30 Bibles** available in the Narthex as part of the **30 and 30 Initiative**. Please feel free to **take one** and **pass it along** to someone **in need** in the community. One more way to Reach Out to Our Community with God's Word.
- > Join us for the **Community Christmas Day Dinner** on December 25th @ 1230pm. The seating is limited; please put your name on the **sign up sheet** posted in Fellowship Hall, by December 20th.
- > **Bring in the New Year**, with us, at the Markdale Arena, Monday, December 31st from 7 - 9pm for a **FREE** skate. Hot chocolate and coffee provided. Bring your favourite Christmas goodies to share.
- > The cast of the **Christmas Eve** presentation, "**The Biggest Christmas Present Ever**", will have a practice after service today and again next Sunday, Dec. 23rd.



God is the source

General Fund Budget: \$4,831.00

>> Year to Date - More than budget: \$5,208.00

Weekly Mission Fund Goal: \$673.00 Received Last Week: \$925.00

>> Year to Date - Less than Budget: (\$1,007.00)

Give Online: GentleShepherd.ca/Give

E-Transfers: give@gentleshepherd.ca

Received Last Week: \$5,482.00