

Worship the LORD with gladness;
Come before him with joyful songs Ps. 100:2 (NIV)

We extend a special greeting to our guests today.
We are always encouraged when our friends and neighbors
choose to join us in praising our wonderful Lord.

Please fill out blue cards and place them in the offering trays

SCRIPTURE & PRAYER

Early Worship

Emmanuel

What Child in This? #137 Vs. 1,2,3

Go Tell It on the Mountain #138

Praise Gathering

Good Christian Men Rejoice

Joy to the World

Sing For Joy

Angels We Have Heard on High

How Can I Keep from Singing

COMMUNION WITH CHRIST

Early Service: For God So Loved the World

Praise Gathering: Above All

The Lord's Supper is a time of self-evaluation & reflection on the death & resurrection of Jesus Christ. All those who have acknowledged Christ as their personal Lord & Savior & have obeyed His gospel are invited to partake. The emblems may be partaken of as they are served.

OFFERING GIFTS OF LOVE

Special Music

MESSAGE FROM THE WORD

HYMN OF DECISION

Early Service: Take Me Life and Let it Be #379 Vs. 1,2,5

Praise Gathering: Give Us Clean Hands

Anyone wishing to make a decision for Christ
may come forward at this time

Benediction

RESPONSE Early Service: We Will Glorify #72

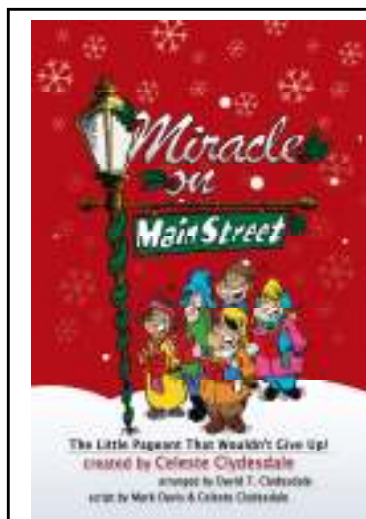
RESPONSE Praise Gathering: Joy to the World

This Week at Sherman

Sunday 12:00 Choir practice
6:00 Children's Musical & Holiday Dinner
Wednesday 6:00 Christmas Caroling



Christmas Caroling This Wednesday!



Holiday Dinner & Children's Program

This evening beginning at 6:00.

The children who are involved in the program will need to be here at 5:00 p.m.

Church officers for 2008 are Chairman: Donald Pennington, Vice Chairman, Ellis Pennington; Secretary: Dean Colson; Treasurer: John Linder

Faith Promise Update

Update

Giving to date

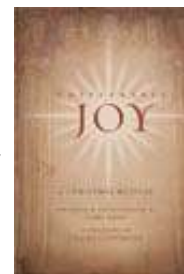
\$34,321.39

We need only \$2,678.61 until we reach our goal!

Adult Cantata

Sunday December 23

At 7:00 p.m.



Mission Trip

July 12-19, 2008

Mission Trip Deposit of \$75 due by January 13.

Christmas for the Apaches

Please be sure to turn in your gifts for the Apaches, by this evening, so that they can be shipped early this week. Thanks!



Serving Schedule

December 16

December 23

Greeters

Terry & Nadine (1st)
Bruce & Brian (2nd)

Randy & Martha

First Timers

Phil & Phyllis

Greg & Beth

Nursery

Kacie & Monnirae

Diana & Nadine

Toddler

Leslie & Sharon

Linda & Lana

Wee Church

Kacie & Cheryle

Amy & Melissa

J.C. Primary

Debbie & Dolores
Brain & Sonya

Johnelle & Sabrina

J.C. Intermediate

Bruce

Erik

Communion

John/Dean
Scotty/Ronnie

Donald/Orman

Home Communion

Orman

David Simpson

Evening Song Leader

Children's Program

Adult Cantata

Praise Gathering

Orman, Pat, Johnelle, Karrie

Scotty, Matt, Kacie, Tess

P M Table

Eddie/John

David Sechrest/Willie

Prayer List Updates

- Jean Schock—Dan's mother—chronic back pain
- Gary Johnson (Judy Ross' Brother) prostate cancer surgery
- Katelyn Fissie (Bev Tsotsos' granddaughter) surgery recovery
- Family of Bonnie Newsome

**There will be only one service next Sunday, December 23
Sunday School will be at 9:45
and Morning worship at 10:30**

Message: "The Purpose of His Coming"
Text: Galatians 4:1-7

Introduction:

- A. Timing is Everything!
- B. When the time had fully come God sent His Son into the world.
- C. Sent: to send forth with a purpose.

1. Jesus Came to _____ (v.5)

- A. Most believe that God will accept them on the basis of their _____.
- B. Our own works testify to the fact that we cannot be _____ in ourselves.

2. Jesus Came to _____ (v.5b)

- A. Adoption means _____.
- B. We are no longer slaves but _____.

3. Jesus Came to Make Us _____ (v.7)

- A. An heir inherits the _____ of his father.

Conclusion:

- A. Timing is Everything!
- B. For you, the time is now.
- C. Will this be the day that you accept the benefits of Jesus coming?
- D. If timing is everything then the time is now.

GOD WANTS YOU TO BE SAVED!

God's plan for saving man from sin is found in the Bible. We are all sinners, and need someone to rescue us. (Romans 3:10, 23) You cannot save yourself, and salvation cannot be earned or worked for. It is God's gift to you. (Ephesians 2:8-10)

Because of God's great love for everyone in the world, He designed a plan of salvation, a unique way for you to receive His gift. It is simple and has just two parts.

GOD'S PART

The Offering of the Gift of Eternal Life.

Out of God's love (John 3:16, Romans 5:8) He sent Jesus, His one and only Son to be our Savior. He lived an exemplary and perfect life, and voluntarily died on the cross for your sins. Isn't God's love and grace amazing! Someone loves you enough to pay the penalty for your sins! And because God doesn't want you to be lost, (2 Peter 3:9) He is offering you forgiveness and eternal life as His gift. That is **GRACE!**

YOUR PART

The Receiving of the Gift of Eternal Life.

The Bible makes it clear . . . man's part is faith! Faith is absolutely necessary to please God (Hebrews 11:6) and to receive His gift. (Roman's 5:1-2) Because God wants to see that your faith is genuine, He gives terms of pardon so you can demonstrate that your faith in Jesus is real. These are **NOT** works, but terms through which God will give you His gift of forgiveness and life.

- **True Faith always believes and does what God says!** (Matthew 7:21)
- **True Faith believes on Jesus as the only Savior!** (Acts 16:31)
- **True Faith turns away from sin and turns towards God in repentance!** (Acts 20:21)
- **True Faith publicly confesses Jesus as Lord!** (Romans 10:9)
- **True Faith is shown in baptism (immersion) into Christ!**

Baptism is where you are linked to the saving death of Jesus, born again, forgiven, and resurrected up from the grave to live a new life in Christ. (Romans 6:3-5) Baptism is not our work, but our faith in God's work. (Colossians 2:12) This is the moment the gift of eternal life becomes yours!

**YOU CAN BE SAVED BY GRACE
THROUGH FAITH TODAY!**

*If at any time you need to reach the ministers, please feel free to call them.
Tim's number is 242-3563 Scotty's number is 393-1889*



But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of woman, born under the law, that we might receive the full rights of sons.

Galatians 4:5-6 (NIV)

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