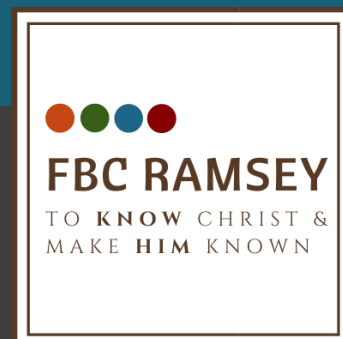


Another Year Is Dawning

Another year is dawning,
Dear Master, let it be,
In working, or in waiting,
Another year with Thee.
Another year of mercies,
Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness
In the shining of Thy face.
Another year of progress,
Another year of praise,
Another year of proving
Thy presence all the days.
Another year of service,
Of witness of Thy love,
Another year of training
For holier work above.
Another year is dawning,
Dear Master, let it be
On earth, or else in heaven
Another year for Thee.
-- Francis Ridley Havergal (1874)

January 2022 Newsletter

As the year **2022** begins, may we look for opportunities to serve and share the gospel of Jesus Christ.



From Pastor Jeff

“He would speak the word to them with many parables like these, as they were able to understand. And He did not speak to them without a parable. Privately, however, He would explain everything to His own disciples.”
Mark 4:33-34

I love a good story. A good story involves action, drama, comedy, and a few twists here and there. A good story draws you in and captivates you in a way which makes you excited for what is coming next. A good story presents a problem, often one which is seemingly impossible to solve, and then out of nowhere a solution is discovered! A good story will *inspire you to be different* and move beyond your preconceived capabilities. A good story will stay with you.

Jesus was a master storyteller. Whenever He wanted to explain a foreign concept (i.e. The Kingdom of God), He would tell stories to explain it. We call those stories parables. The amazing thing Jesus did with these parables was He often wouldn't give away the meaning, He just told the story. It was then up to the people who heard the story to try and discover what He was talking about. However, He would let His disciples in on the meaning so they could be prepared to help the people in their journey for answers.

Here's a surprising thing, which you may not be aware of, *you have a great story to tell.* If you are a follower of Jesus, you have a story which has all the elements of a great story. You had a problem which seemingly had no answer (sin), then someone told you about a potential solution. It sounded too good to be true, but too good not to search for. Along the way there were twists and turns (events, questions, heartache, etc...), but somehow you saw Jesus for who He is and gave your life to Him.

When you tell your story, people will be inspired and moved by it. Maybe, just maybe, it will be your story which God will use to reveal Himself and they may repent and follow Jesus themselves. This year we are going to hear a lot of stories of encounters with Jesus, both ancient and current. Will your story be heard? I hope so because it is too good to not tell. It is an important story which we all need to hear. And I, for one, can't wait!

Following Him,

Jeff



TO KNOW CHRIST &
MAKE HIM KNOWN

HOLIDAY MEAL



**We had lots of good food and fellowship at our Holiday meal! !
THANK YOU to the ladies that cooked all day! It was delicious!**



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Adults, Children's Worship and Youth
presented Christmas specials in December

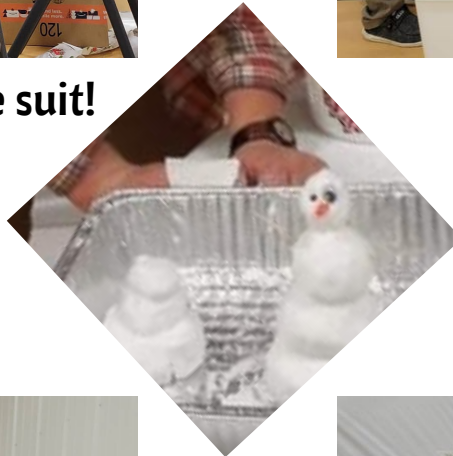


YOUTH EXTRAVAGANZA

The Youth had a great time at the Extravaganza! There were games, food, prizes and even some SNOW! Everything was WHITE!!



Pastor Jeff in the white suit!



Build a snowman



Ty Benhoff is 2021 King of Christmas and 3 time member of Wall of Fame!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

| | |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| 4 Hannah Miller | 22 Carol Price |
| 7 Daniel Runge | 26 Danielle Rathbone |
| 10 Shelli Finley | 27 Adam Casey |
| 11 Abigail Lorton | 28 Christie Clark |
| 14 Rory Moreland | 28 Kenneth & Betty Wollerman |
| 19 Hannah Seaton | 29 John Beck |
| 19 Sharle Elliott | 31 Grady Oller |
| 20 Beth Miller | |

IMPORTANT DATES

| | |
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| 2 Search Comm. mtg | 5pm |
| SNF Sandwiches | 6pm |
| 9 Deacons' mtg | 5pm |
| 12 Annual Business/ Celebration mtg | 7pm |
| 17 Sweet Monday | 10am |

JANUARY FOOD PANTRY

Noodles, Ramen Noodles, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Hamburger & Tuna Helper, Soup-Tomato Juice & Chili with Beans

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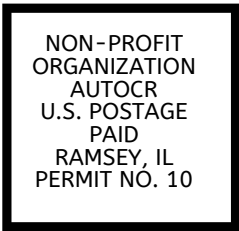
Reading Through the Bible Together

JANUARY

3 Gen 1:1-5, John 1:1-18, Col 1:15-19
4 Gen 1:6-31, Heb 11:1-3, Heb 1:10-12
5 Gen 2, Matt 19:3-6, Eph 5:28-33
6 Gen 3, 2 Corin 11:2-3, Rom 5:12-21
7 Gen 4, Heb 11:4, I John 3:10-15
8 Gen 5:18-24, Heb 11:5-6, Jude 14-19
10 Gen 6, Gen 7, Heb 11:7
11 Gen 8, Gen 9, Matt 24:36-44
12 Gen 11:1-9, Psa 19:1-4, Acts 2:1-21
13 Job 1, Job 2, Jas 5:9-11
14 Job 3, Job 4, Eze 14:12-14
15 Job 16, Job 32, Matt 26:62-68
17 Job 38, Job 42, Jas 5:9-11

18 Gen 12:1-9, Heb 11:8-10, Gal 3:7-14
19 Gen 12:10-20, Gen 20, I Peter 3:1-6
20 Gen 13, Neh 9:6-8, Acts 7:2-5
21 Gen 14, Heb 5:5-11, Heb 7:1-22
22 Gen 15, Jer 34:18-20, Rom 4
24 Gen 16, Gen 21:8-21, Gal 4:21-31
25 Gen 17, Rom 4:7-13, Col 2:11-13
26 Gen 18, Isa 3:8-11, Heb 13:1-2
27 Gen 19, Luke 17:28-36, 2 Pet 2:6-9
28 Gen 21:1-7, Rom 9:6-9, Heb 11:11-16
29 Gen 22, Rom 8:31-39, Heb 11:17-19
31 Gen 24, Psa 37:3-8, Prov 3:5-6

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[Sundays: SS 9am > Worship 10am > Bible Study 6pm]

| January 2022 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| | | | | | Office closed New Year's Eve | 1 New Year's Day |
| 2 Search Cmte 5pm SNF 6pm sandwiches | 3 | 4 | 5 All activities 7pm | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 Deacons' meeting 5pm Bible Study 6pm | 10 | 11 | 12 Annual Business/ Celebration Meeting 7pm | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 Bible Study 6pm | 17 M L King Day Office closed Sweet Monday 10am-Plan | 18 | 19 All activities 7pm | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 Bible Study 6pm | 24 | 25 | 26 All activities 7pm | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 Bible Study 6pm | 31 | | | | | |