## P.S. to Minister's Message:

I need to mention one more item of concern to you. A close friend pointed out to me a statistic from today's morning news. Over 17 million children do not know where their morning breakfast is going to come from. We see all the massive food lines on the news. Forty percent of those people are there for the first time asking for food assistance. I want to encourage you as family to assist in our local community. Feel free to bring extra food down to the church in the days prior to Christmas. We will get this extra food to the food pantry for distribution. All you have to do is call the church and we will come out and bring it in for you. What better way for families to know the meaning of this season than to be giving of our very best. What a valuable lesson for our children and grandchildren. Hope to hear from you in the days ahead.

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### SERMON SERIES

"The Tress of Advent"

December 20<sup>th</sup>

"The Olive Tree...Peace"

Christmas Eve

"The Redwood Tree"



Our gifts support the work of regional ministries this Christmas. Your regional ministry works to: Connect congregations to each other, Foster faith development, Gather Disciples in camps, conferences, and assemblies, Nurture the development of a new generation of pastors Assist churches in calling new ministers, Interpret the global mission of the Church, Represent the Church in ecumenical gatherings, Counsel and pray with those who are troubled of spirit, Lead the Church to address racism, Inspire leaders to experiment and create, Witness to the power of God to make things new.

# The Christmas Special Day offering supports all of these and many other ministries of

**our regions.** If you would like to make a donation to the Christmas offering, you can send a check to the church at PO Box 236, or you can give online at

www.cynthianachristianchurch.com, go to online giving. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

# **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

----Steve Marsh is having back surgery December 16<sup>th</sup>, his address is 2449 Ky Hwy 3004, Berry, KY 41003....Bob Ruth is having knee surgery December 16<sup>th</sup>, his address is 90 Hickory Court....Alison Hendricks will undergo surgery December 22<sup>nd</sup>, her address is 414 E. Bridge St.

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# NOTE OF APPRECIATION

"Thank you for all of the cards, calls, texts and visits while Charles was sick. Our family wants to thank you for the prayers in our time of sorrow. Thanks to Larry and Tim for always being there in our time of need." The family of Charles Isaac

"Church friends, Thank you so much for the cookies and pen. It's so nice to be remembered. I appreciate it." Peggy Gray

# CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE

The Worship Committee would like to invite you to Marie Hehr Park for a drive-in Christmas Eve Candlelight service. Gates will open <u>at 10:00 P.M.</u> and the service will begin <u>at 11:00 P.M.</u> In case of rain, the service will be held in the church parking lot.

Upon entering the park, you will be given a program with hymns, candles and communion. Everyone should remain in their cars in order to practice social distancing. The service will be broadcast over your car's radio (WCYN). Bring hot chocolate and snacks and enjoy being together at the park for this opportunity to celebrate our Savior's birth.

If you would like to send a card to our nursing home members, here is a list of their names and the addresses:

### CEDAR RIDGE HEALTH CAMPUS, 1217 US Hwy 62 E

Jean Roles # 508 Mayme Wilson, mother of Ruth Hatterick # 203 Mary Jane Bell # 303 Phyllis Wilson # 503 Jane Martin # 502 Pat Smith # 404 Peggy Gray # 507 Loretta Grannis # 205

# **GRAND HAVEN NURSING HOME, 105 RODGERS PARK**

Gene Wilson # 201

### **DOVER MANOR, 112 DOVER DRIVE**

Mary Blanton Contella # Room 24 A Wing

**Christian Church** 

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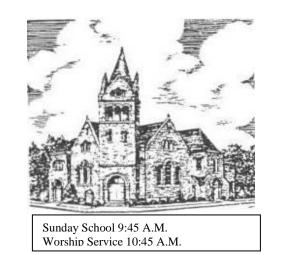
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P.O. Box 236 Cynthiana, KY 41031 ---- Релиез

41031 6719 US Hwy 27 N Cynthiana, KY Jon Taylor

# **CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP**

Forms for the church scholarship are now available in the church office. Forms along with a recent transcript with a 2.5 GPA need to be turned into the church office by January 10<sup>th</sup>. You can stop by the church to pick up the form or I can email it to you.



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### Minister's Message:

As we near the day of Christmas, I have several thoughts to share with you. I am so proud of all of our church committees. In spite of difficult circumstances, they have been working hard to provide for us some sense of normality in this challenging time. Our Worship department has provided for you Advent devotional booklets for your meditation. They have also decorated the church, both inside and out. Our Outreach Committee has collected food for distribution to those in need. I am pleased to announce over twenty-five baskets were delivered, and extra food was taken to the local food pantry. We also have delivered Christmas cookies to many of our members. Our Christian Education Committee invited Santa to come visit last Sunday and he provided some special treat bags for all our children. It was a most exciting afternoon. We also must remember many of you adopted Christmas angels from the Family Resource Center. We were disappointed not to be able to have our annual Christmas toy sale, but we did make a significant contribution to a local program that provided toys for families in need. We also have provided toys and clothes for some families referred to us by community agencies or church members. So, as you can see church has taken on many different forms.

I am excited about all of these experiences we have been a part of, but there is one more item that I cannot wait for, our Candlelight Christmas Eve Service. You have read of all the details and I strongly encourage you to be a part of that service of worship. The service will be broadcast on WCYN. We also appreciate all of your comments about listening to our regular Sunday morning services. They seem to be a blessing to many of you. Our church staff wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas. It is our blessing to be able to minister to you and for you. Be safe and may God bless.

.....Larry