

# NOTES

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray there would be unity in the church (ours & the church at large.)  
*"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace" Ephesians 4:3*

As we head into the holiday season pray for Sweet Home that our community will be drawn closer to Christ.

Please lift Mim up as she battles pancreatic cancer.

Please pray for Kelly as he continues to battle cancer.

Please be in prayer for Bryon as he heads off to boot camp on Dec 4<sup>th</sup>.  
Please also pray for his grandparents Perry & Kay as they adjust to a long distance relationship with him.

Praise God Terry Rose's knee surgery went well!

### USUAL CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00AM-2:00PM

PASTOR'S DAY OFF- Monday

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# December 3, 2017

## *First Sunday of Advent*



YOU'RE INVITED TO

## River of Life

*Sunday Service 10AM*

*Candlelight Service 10PM*

### *Christmas Eve*



### Men's Breakfast

Join the Men's Ministry team Saturday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup> at 8AM in the Ministry Center for a delicious breakfast & a devotional. More details to come.



### Christmas Dinner

Our 10th Annual FREE Community Christmas Dinner will be served in the Ministry Center from 1-3PM on Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>. We need gift donations of warm socks, scarves, mittens & candy. We will also need volunteers to set-up, be table hosts, and many to help clean-up.

## FINANCIAL UPDATE

River of Life tithes and offerings are running behind our expenses for the 2017 year. The church's annual budget is about \$120,000 per year. Through eleven months our expenses are about \$25,000 more than what our tithes and offerings have been. The church could benefit from additional giving as we close out the year in December to keep our programs funded. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask. If you are able to increase your contributions for December – we thank you. *River of Life Financial Manager Arlen Emmert*

## MISSIONS GIVING

We are thankful for our congregation's generosity towards our four missionaries. Due to IRS regulations we ask you to **not** write their name in the check's memo. Instead please write the missionary's send agency:

Gary Myers - CTEN                      Kevin Domes - InFaith  
 Nate Atchison - Frontiers              Thema Black - UNKF

## Event Calendar

- 12/05 Men's Bible Study, 7:30AM, CHURCH OFFICE
- 12/05 Women's Fellowship, 10AM, DONNA SWANKS'S HOME
- 12/16 Men's Fellowship Breakfast, 8AM, MINISTRY CENTER
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Sunday Service, 10AM, WORSHIP CENTER
- 12/24 No Children's Church, 10AM
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 10PM, WORSHIP CENTER
- 12/25 Christmas Dinner, 1PM -3PM, MINISTRY CENTER
- 2/2-4 Men's Retreat 2018: THE CALL, 5:30PM, TWIN ROCKS FRIENDS CAMP

## Ministering Today

Pastor Colton Emmert

### • Worship •

Randy & Arlene Jantzi, Lester Byler,  
 Pam Miner & Cathy Emmert

### • Advent Candles •

Dan & Shirley Suing  
 Scott & Edene Rice

### • Greeters •

Roger & Sheila White  
 Next Week - Ralph & Clarene M.

### • Ushers •

Roger & Natalie Campbell  
 Next Week - Bob & Judi Green

### • Lock Up •

Pam Miner  
 Next Week - Bob Green

### • Sunday School K-6 •

Donna Swank & Dee Beemer  
 After the 2<sup>nd</sup> song to 11:15

## Our Leadership

### Pastoral Leadership Team

Pastor Colton & Marissa Emmert  
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Randy & Arlene Jantzi  
 (541) 258-6749

Arlen & Cathy Emmert  
 (541) 401-9149

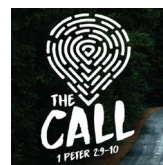
Perry & Kay Crocker  
 (541) 367-2404

### Worship Ministry Coordinator

Randy Jantzi (541) 258-6749

### Sunday School Coordinator

Donna Swank (541) 367-3692



## Men's Retreat 2018: THE CALL

February 2-4, 12+ Churches gathering to hear the call God has on our lives: to become Jesus' Men! Until 1/7 Early Bird \$149 Deposit of \$50 holds spot Register online: [riversho.org](http://riversho.org) or forms are on the table