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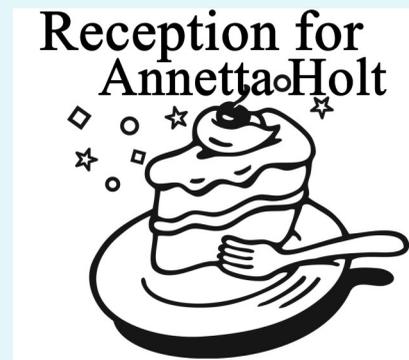
January 14, 2016

### SERVING THIS WEEK OF January 17

**Worship Leader:** Jeanna Montgomery  
**Elders:** Patti Jones (bread); Char Carden (cup)  
**Diaconate:** Dorothy Loop, Kenny Rutledge, David Greathouse  
 Liz Burton, Rick Webster, Kim Cunningham  
**Balcony:** Margaret Taylor, Griffin Taylor, Kathryn Rutledge  
**Preparatory:** Marcia Higgins, Leslie Trone, Sharon Butcher  
**Front:** John Trone  
**East Door:** Leslie Trone  
**Balcony South:** Collin Reed  
**Elevator:** John Carden  
**Sanctuary Superintendent(s):** Jonelle Schauble  
**Children's Moment:** Rev. Ingersoll  
**Children's Church:**  
**Soundboard Tech:** Grant Reed  
**Coffee Fellowship Time:** Sherri Wagner  
**Acolyte:** Brianna Cangro  
**Hospital Caller:** Jan Rockwell  
**Financial Escort:** Dean Rockwell  
**Sunday Morning Office Staff:** Janet Shank

Kelly Ingersoll,  
Minister  
 Bill Froom,  
Chancel Choir Director  
 Tad Goldner,  
Children's Minister  
 Hannah Goodman,  
Nursery Supervisor  
 Carol Harmon,  
Organist  
 Annetta Holt,  
Administrative Assistant  
 Paul Huff,  
Custodian  
 Mia Iliopoulos,  
Childrens/Youth Choir Director  
 Morgan Ochoa,  
Nursery Assistant

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On Sunday, January 17, First Christian Church will hold a reception in the church parlor following the morning worship service to honor the service and dedication of Annetta Holt, our Administrative Assistant, as we celebrate her retirement after 8 1/2 years.

Please plan to attend. A basket for cards and remembrances will be available in the church parlor before and after the service. Please join us in honoring Annetta as she makes this transition into the next phase of her life.

# Kelly's Korner

Now that the holidays have wound down and the resolutions for 2016 have been made, are you ready? Are you ready to read more, enjoy family, lose weight, drink less coffee, drink more water, eat more vegetables, volunteer, travel, pray more, watch less tv or whatever promises you hope for 2016? How will you follow through? How will people know you are following through with your resolutions?

If you are Jesus, your mom will help. This week we will focus on the 2<sup>nd</sup> chapter of John's gospel. It's the famous story of Jesus turning water into wine. He was not really ready to do this miracle. Mary, Jesus' mother, kind of forces him into it. Reluctantly, he instructs servants to fill jars intended for rites of purification with water. They do so. And when they take a sample from the jars to the chief steward he proclaims that this wine is better than what had been previously served. Pretty amazing.

And yet, Jesus did not feel ready. He was not prepared to have people start finding out about him. Maybe like us and our resolutions. We don't want people to know what kind of lives we'd rather be positively living. It's hard to step out and do something new. It takes courage. And sometimes it takes someone holding us accountable. Sometimes, maybe, it takes our mom pushing us.

We will consider Jesus and his first sign of ministry this Sunday. After worship, please plan to attend the reception for Annetta Holt who has served as our Office Manager for the last 8+ years (details on front page). She has done great work for us and we have a chance to celebrate her move into retirement by saying thanks. See you Sunday!

Peace,



## Sunday, January 17

Rod Burg opens/closes church

Rod Burg drive(s) the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

11:45 AM Reception for Annetta,  
Fellowship Hall

2:00 PM Grand Prairie

4:00 PM Everly House

Elder: Janet Shank

Deacons: Natalie Workman  
Rod Burg

5:00 PM Youth Groups

## Monday, January 18

9:00 AM MLK Serv Project

6:00 PM Trustees

7:00 PM Church Board

## Wednesday, January 20

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

## Sunday, January 24

Bill Bucher opens/closes church

John Carden drive(s) the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

5:00 PM Soup etc in FH

6:00 PM State of the Church

## *Birthdays & Anniversaries*

17 Dan Reed  
Marilyn Robinson,

23 Tweed Mummert

## **Sunday, January 17 Second Sunday after Epiphany**

**Sermon: First Sign**

**Scripture: John 2:1-11**

Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm 36:5-10

I Corinthians 12:1-11

## **Sunday, January 24 Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Lectionary Readings:

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

I Corinthians 12:12-31

Luke 4:14-21



*Ho Ho Ho* and Thank You!! To all you Secret Santas and Santa's helpers who made Christmas a little bit merrier and brighter for our Special Olympians and their friends! Your generous outpouring of love and support made this the best party yet! There were close to 60 people attending, including a great slate of guests and volunteers. WIU dietetics instructor, Emily Schupe, accompanied 15 wonderful students who brought their energy and joy to help make the party hop. We had special guests: Dr. Mary Mhango, Chair of Dietetics, Fashion, Merchandising and Hospitality, George Hartman from WIU's Visual Productions, a reporter from *The Choice*, and the "Dear Old Man in a Red Suit" himself! Sue Adams led carols on her keyboard and Rev. Kelly directed games. Sloppy joes were provided for an army and only one scoop remained by the end of the party. Thank you to the Outreach committee and our generous church members and friends!!



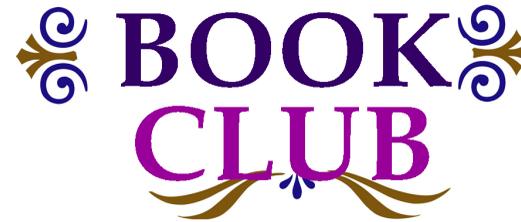
### MLK Service Project

Celebrate Martin Luther King Day Monday, January 18 with FCC's Service Project  
 Meet at the church parking lot at 9:00 a.m.  
 Groups will be assigned their tasks  
 Dress warmly in old clothes (that can get paint on them) & shoes that can get dirty  
 Lunch will be provided  
 Be picked up by 12:30 p.m.



### Intergenerational MISSION Trip

MARCH 13 – 18, 2016  
 Spend spring break with cool people  
 Have a life-changing experience.  
 More details to follow....



### Interested in Joining A

#### Book Club?

Several members have expressed an interest in starting a FCC Book Club. Please come to a meeting on Sunday morning, 10:00 a.m. on January 17th in the FCC Library to determine a good day, time, place of meeting for the club. Come with some suggestions or just come to voice interest in any books suggested. The club is open to FCC gals and guys and any friends that might be interested.

Norma Kentner



Volunteers are needed to help run the Children's Church program on Sunday mornings during the worship hour. This program includes the younger elementary-aged youth.

If you would be interested in helping with this program, please see Tad Goldner or sign-up on the sheet posted on the Parlor bulletin board.



## State-of-the-Church

The State of the Church address and dinner has been scheduled for January 24. Dinner will be at 5:00 p.m. and the State of the Church address will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Membership will host the dinner and will furnish soup, hot dogs, cheese platter, dessert, drinks and table service. If you have not been asked to donate something, please come and enjoy!

Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.



2016 giving envelopes are ready to be picked up!

They are in a box in the parlor; if you need one and there is not a box with your name on it, leave a note for Annetta asking for it. Or call her at 837 6473 and one will be in the box next week for you!



2015 giving statements are ready to be picked up!

They are in a box in the parlor. If you think you have giving of record for 2015 and you don't find one in the box, please call Annetta at 837 6473.

HELP END  
Human Trafficking



## Human Trafficking Awareness Organization – WITS

In 2015, several people from our church family helped form a local group called Western Illinois Traffic Stop (WITS): Char Carden, Roselyn Chown, Anne & Kelly Ingersoll, Jan Rockwell & Ellen Tingley. Among other WITS members are Darlos Mummert (Tweed's daughter & recently retired WIU faculty), Deb Hunt (a counselor), WIT instructor April Wilcoxon, & Dr. Tim Roberts, faculty sponsor for Western Against Slavery, a campus human rights group. Several others in the community support the group. The group generally meets on 3rd Thursdays, at 1:00 p.m. at The Old Dairy.

This past year, WITS has had the opportunity to bring awareness of human trafficking through speaking to several groups. Patti Jones arranged for the group to present in conjunction with the international honor society, Phi Beta Delta. ROE Superintendent, John Meixner, invited Pastor Kelly and Jan to present to all of the regional superintendents and principals. WITS also brought an awareness program to the school psychologists, special educators, social workers, speech pathologists, therapists and all the employees of the West Central Special Education Coop at their August in-service. WITS is approaching individuals in law enforcement and medicine to share resources. FCC's Christian Action and Outreach Committee has designated money for social justice cause for 2016. Braking Traffik, an action group in the Quad Cities serving both Iowa and Illinois released a 12 minute DVD, Any Kid, Anywhere, interviewing three young women from the Quad Cities who escaped trafficking. Feb 18 & 19th, they will provide two days of training on practical things to do to combat human trafficking. If you would like to know more, please contact Jan Rockwell (309/331-4783).

Jan Rockwell