



Altoona Christian Church

THE WELCOME NEWS

"Touched by Christ to Care and Serve"

Rev. McKinna Daugherty

February 2017

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Be sure to pick up your 2016 Statements in the Narthex!

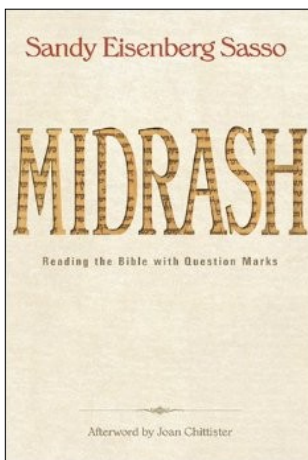
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A Women's potluck was held Thursday, January 26 with 9 women attending. We brainstormed about future events. We will get together again Tuesday, February 21st. Anyone (men also) interested in having lunch together is invited. We will be eating lunch at a convenient restaurant location. If you have a favorite restaurant that will take reservations, please contact Mary Heinrich at Maryheinrich135@yahoo.com or 238-0451.

On January 27, our Elders gathered for an overnight retreat at the Christian Conference Center in Newton for training, prayers, and fellowship. The following day, members of the board joined with the elders for discussion and training sessions led by Bill and Amy Spangler-Dunning on the history of the roles of board and elders in the Christian Church, and healthy communication methods. Our conversations were rich and commitment to leadership is strong!

On January 23-25, pastors from all over the Upper Midwest gathered for Minister's Institute at the Christian Conference Center in Newton, Iowa. Rabbi Sandy Sasso was our keynote speaker. She is a teacher, author, and storyteller. She is currently director of "The Religion, Spirituality & the Arts Seminar," a partnership between Butler University and Christian Theological Seminary. She written several nationally acclaimed children's books, including *God's Paintbrush*, *In God's Name*, and *Noah's Wife: The Story of Na'amah* -which was selected by Publisher's Weekly as a Best Books of the Year. She has also written books for adults including *Midrash: Reading the Bible with Question Marks*. Pastor McKinna also attended a workshop on "Evaluating Ministries" led by Rev. Jonna Jensen, Associate Conference Minister for the Iowa Conference of the United Church of Christ, and another on "Evangelism" by Rev. Tiff Williams, Associate Regional Minister for the Christian Church in the Upper Midwest. In addition to various learning opportunities, Ministers Institute offers a chance for fellowship, rest, and conversation with colleagues near and far.





Dear Friends,

Whenever I fly on airplanes, I always get a little bit nervous about who will sit next to me. While some of the most interesting conversations I've had have taken place in those cramped, uncomfortable seats, I still get nervous about conversing with strangers. I always hope to see that my neighbor brought a book on board so we can briefly chat about what we're reading and then commence with quietly reading our respective books.

However, when we end up in conversation it always turns to career, surprise over a young woman in the role of clergy, and lots of questions about that. But here's the thing: I love talking about why our denomination is a great place to be a clergyperson. But what do I talk about first?

DISCIPLES 101



Is it that "Unity is our Polar Star" as Barton Stone famously said about our mission to be unified with Christians of many kinds? Is it that we are "a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world" which comes from our identity statement? What about our devotion to practicing communion every Sunday where "all means all" and the powerful symbol of the St. Andrew's cross on our chalice logo? And how could I forget "Where the Bible speaks, we speak, where the Bible is silent, we are silent?" Or our global mission of compassion with "from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth?"

Given even just these 5 "slogans" it's clear that we have a lot to celebrate and are blessed when we have opportunities to talk about our unique and wonderful denomination.

I hope you'll join me and tune-in for a fun sermon series called "Disciples 101" as we dive a little bit deeper into our denominational identity and affiliation by studying scripture, history, experience, and our beloved traditions.

"Unity is Our Polar Star"- January 22nd, "All Means All" – January 29th, "Where the Bible Speaks..." – February 5th, "From Our Doorsteps" – February 12th, and "A Movement for Wholeness" – February 19th!

In Christian Love,

Pastor McKinna



Spring Bible Study

on the Letter to the Romans

Thursdays, 5:30 - 7 p.m.
February 2nd - April 6th

*book not required, but if you want to order one please speak to Pastor McKinna

**Thank you to those who served in 2016!
Let's welcome those who are serving in 2017!**

2017 Board, Elders and Ministry Council

The following individuals are approved for the leadership roles
of Altoona Christian Church for 2017.

BOARD

Moderator: JC Horton
Vice Moderator: Tony Glass
Financial Secretary: April Glass
Treasurer Coordinator: Russ Wilkins
Memorial Fund Coordinator: Chris Williams
Member At-Large: Amy Spangler-Dunning

MINISTRY COUNCIL

Financial Secretary: April Glass
..... Scott Hamilton
..... Tim McLean
Treasurers: Russ Wilkins
..... Chris Williams
Christian Nurture Leader: Lisa Freesemann
Membership & Growth Leader: Stephanie Hosier
Funerals: Kay Hamilton
Outreach Leader: Judy Wadding
Property Committee Leader: Jim Hamilton
Stewardship & Finance Leader: Cheryl Laird-Humphrey
Pastor/Parish: Georgia Woodward
Worship Lacasta Jungling

ELDERS (7)

Wayne Patchin - Chair
Denise Green
Mary Heinrich
Stephanie Hosier
Linda Lighthall
Becky Rosenberger
Scott Seeliger

Altoona Christian Church

January 23, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees: J.C. Horton, Russ Wilkins, Chris Williams (on vacation), Wayne Patchin, Kristin Patchin
J.C. called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM and Pastor McKinna opened the meeting with prayer

Old Business:

Judy Wadding and Wanda Newell, from the Outreach Committee, were in attendance to discuss National Night Out and That Night in Bethlehem becoming a part of the Outreach Committee. They expressed concerns regarding the need for both of these committees to be a part of Outreach. As per the church's by-laws adopted in 2013, it states that only the committee chair is responsible for creating sub-teams.

It was not the board's intention to circumvent the by-laws by suggesting they were to become part of Outreach. The board felt that both of these committees were a part of the broader scope of the entire church's Outreach to the community. There was discussion on the matter. J.C. moved that National Night Out and That Night in Bethlehem report directly to the Vice Moderator, rather than to the Outreach Committee, moving forward. The board approved this motion by consensus.

Wanda raised concerns about the Outreach Committee's funding. As approved by the congregation at the December 18th, 2016, congregational meeting, the Outreach Committee was given a budget estimated on previous year's expenditures. Wanda brought to the board's attention that there are different versions of the by-laws that are in circulation. The board agreed to investigate this matter and will take further action as needed knowing that a by-laws review is forthcoming this year. For now we will proceed as we have planned, not having to take interest income from the Christian Church Foundation, but the board agreed that if monies are taken, 10 percent of money withdrawn will be distributed to Outreach.

J.C. mentioned the Venture Scouting Program. The board decided to not take any action until we hear back from them.

New Business:

J.C. asked the incoming board members to think and pray over what they feel the goals and objectives for the coming year for the church board should be, and we will discuss these at the February meeting.

Pastoral Report:

Pastor McKinna presented her report to the board outlining her goals for the first couple months of the year, which include:

- Meet with incoming leadership
- Getting ready to launch a new bible study
- Preparing for the Lenten season
- Continue working on 150th Anniversary
- Working with Worship and Growth Committees as they innovate

McKinna also presented some new ideas for supporting the ministry table leaders with resources and processes. She also stated that she has completed her annual standing form with the region, which includes over 120 hours of continuing education in 2016.

Board Reports:

At Large: Nothing to report

Elders: Wayne stated that the Elders will meet once a month. He is working on group unity, and is striving to create a Christian, caring group for congregational support.

Financial Secretary: No report provided.

Treasurer: Russ presented an updated profit and loss statement and balance sheet. Everything is looking as projected.

Memorial Fund: Chris submitted an updated Memorial Fund summary.

Personnel: Kristin noted that she still needs the keys to the personnel filing cabinet and Russ was going to work on it. She needs to submit the proper paper work for the pension fund. She is in the process of soliciting feedback on Pastor McKinna and will provide an update when everything is compiled.

Vice Moderator: Tony presented a list of repairs that need to be done from the Property team. Property is requesting a total allocation to refresh the church. Much discussion was had on this subject and the proposal of a long-term funding campaign was presented. J.C. moved to table the motion for now for further discussion and prayer on the subject. (J.C. will present this matter for discussion and prayer during the board and elder retreat on Saturday, January 28th.)

Russ shared a closing prayer. Meeting was adjourned at 10:02 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
J.C. Horton – Moderator

ACC 150th News

6 Month Update from the 150th Committee Submitted by Georgia Woodward

I am having the opportunity all of this year to chair the 150th Committee. We wanted to tell the story of Altoona Christian Church's 150 years in the area. With all of the talented people in our Congregation and their willingness to do the work, we will make this celebration a huge success.

During the last 6 months we have accomplished a great deal.

Margaret Luddington and June Barron have written articles for the Welcome News to give the background of our story.

A great many boxes of church history were sorted by John Champion, Norma and Dave Stuart, Gordon Gill, and Tom Newell. They were categorized Pictures and placed in a 4 drawer file cabinet in the library.

Darlene Townsend and her daughter, Jill, have been making a signature quilt which will be dedicated at the Celebration Service on Sunday, July 30, 2017.

Sarah and John Champion and Norma Stuart contacted former pastors to invite them to be with us on the weekend of July 29-30, 2017.

Linda Lighthall, Paulette Craggs, and Barb Hulen spearheaded the commissioning of a hymn by Ben Allaway from First Christian Church. It will be performed at the Celebration Service.

Our first activity was to be a Children's Bike parade on the Fourth of July weekend. However, it rained and we had to cancel. We hope to try again next Fourth of July.

We were so fortunate to have Judy Watting bring us a new opportunity. She and her committee worked for many hours with the fire and police departments and a number of other businesses to bring our community its first National Night Out. The families who participated were able to meet those police and firefighters who spend many hours protecting us.

ACC 150th News
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Inga Brown set up a barn dance in Oct. which included a live band and an opportunity for us to learn to square dance. It was lots of fun and we look forward to next year.

Three years ago we presented our first "That Night in Bethlehem". This year the committee expanded the event to three days and increased the number of Nativities to over 200. They spent many months in planning the event and it was a big success.

Deb Stewart is working on having a number of items available to the congregation as reminders of our 150 years.

Lisa Freesmann is chairing the cookbook committee. She needs to have your recipes by March. We want to have the cookbooks available for Mother's Day. Please, please take a few moments to provide the committee with at least one of your favorite recipes.

BUT WE ARE'NT FINISHED YET. We have 6 more months of exciting plans leading up to our Celebration Weekend. We will be connecting with the Committee from the City of Altoona. They are planning the 150th Celebration of Altoona in 2018.

There are going to be a number of opportunities for you to participate during the next months. Even if you can only do one thing, we would so appreciate your help. Besides, we all have benefited from the work that our early church members did to give us the foundation for what we enjoy today at Altoona Christian Church.

Did you know Amazon has a site called “smile.amazon.com” where Amazon will donate 5% of your purchase to your local charity? You just need to make your Amazon purchases through this site and they take care of all the rest. The 5% donation applies to all Prime purchases fulfilled by Amazon at no additional cost to you.

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2016 Financial Report

(January - December)

Income:	2016	Wkly Avg	2015	Wkly Avg
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 143,560		\$ 150,642	
Other income	\$ 5,832		\$ 7,364	
Charitable income	\$ 10,803		\$ 6,479	
Total for year	\$ 160,195	\$ 3,081	\$ 164,485	\$ 3,163

In addition, we withdrew \$15,000 from our investment account.


Expenses:

Operating	\$ 39,870		\$ 40,381	
Payroll	\$ 108,253		\$ 102,751	
10% of offerings (CCUM)	\$ 14,356		\$ 15,064	
Charitable Giving	\$ 12,204		\$ 14,465	
Total Expenses	\$ 174,683	\$ 3,359	\$ 172,661	\$ 3,320

Net Income \$ (14,488) \$ (279) \$ (8,176) \$ (157)

2016 Payroll increase due to open Pastor and Office Coordinator in 2015

If you have any questions contact Chris Williams or Russ Wilkins



Are you interested in being baptized? Is your child ready to be baptized? If your child was baptized as a baby, would s/he like to be confirmed? If so, please email Pastor McKinna! Traditionally, baptism is preceded by some class sessions, and then takes place on Easter. Email or call soon as class planning depends on the size of the class!

Pastor McKinna ~ (515) 329-4050



**Worship Planning
Morning Retreat
Sat. February 11th
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.**



Ash
Wednesday
March 1, 2017
7:00 p.m.

For you are dust, and to dust you shall return.
Genesis 3:19

**18-Hour Silent Lenten Retreat:
*Heart of the Cosmos***

March 3, 2017 at 5 pm to March 4, 2017 at 1 pm \$55.00 *



Go inward in contemplation and expand outward in wonder at the vastness of the universe as we enter the season of Lent. Dance, gaze, listen, respond, pray.

Friday evening will feature Centering Prayer and other opportunities for solitude, and end with a candle-light Taizé service, before we retire to our homes in silence. We gather early Saturday, still in silence, to have a morning of glorious silence and prayer. We will end with lunch and fellowship.

All retreatants will receive instructions beforehand on how to prepare their homes and families for the silent overnight. This retreat is limited to 20 people, so register early.

Event Location
Central Presbyterian Church
3829 Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa



**Contemplative Outreach
of Central Iowa**
Silence Solitude Sobriety Service
www.CenterIowa.org

More Information
Chris Frantsvog
lowatreefarmer@hotmail.com


* Includes 3 meals. Partial scholarships available. Register at centeriowa.org/events



**MINISTRY
TABLE
2017**

SAVE THE DATES!

March 25, May 20,
August 26, November 4



ACC 150th Cookbook

The cookbook recipe due date will be later in the spring to allow people more time to find their favorite family recipe and submit them for this book. We are anticipating that they will be great gifts for Mother's Day. Grab a recipe form in the Narthex, fill out, and drop off in the box on the Outreach table!



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 2nd Cindy Thomas
- 3rd Becky Tenckinck
- 4th Kay Hamilton
- 6th Johnathn Brown
- 7th Trevor Casey
- 8th Beverly Lowe
- 16th Charles Steffes-Clayton
- 18th Mike Hosier
- 21st Andrew Rixe
- 24th Dave Stuart
- 24th Emma Horton
- 25th Jodi Nelson

Newsletter NEEDS

Please send your article submissions to the office by the **15th of each month** by email (text and any photos). If submitted *after deadline*, it will go in the following months newsletter. Thanks for your understanding!
~ Newsletter Editor

This April, we will have a "Come and See Sunday" series, focused around our Easter celebration, when we want to personally invite friends and neighbors to "come and see" what Altoona Christian Church is all about. Please watch for more information to follow in the coming weeks.

Spring Bible study begins Thursday evening, February 2, 5:30, at church.

We will cover Romans in 10 weekly sessions.

Please read Romans chapter 1 and bring your favorite Bible.

Wayne Patchin and Pastor McKinna are leading the discussion.

Reminder!!!
Please bring your donations of non-perishable food items for the **Food Pantry** on **February 19th**
Food needed this month:

Chili beans & egg noodles



Thoughts and Prayers

Joys ~ Elder/Board Retreat.

Prayer Concerns ~ Janice Mart (son-in-law hernia surgery). Paulette Craggs (prayers to keep positive spirits for John). Jamie Horton (Jim, family friend, prayers for his family; Brian, brother-in-law, tumors).

Those with health/healing concerns ~ Jeff Patchin (unspoken prayers). Kristen Patchin (friend whose cancer has returned). Jamie Horton (Ronnie, coworker, health; prayers for his wife, Jackie). Georgia Woodward (son-in-law just finished chemotherapy). Anna Hines (daughter, granddaughter; sister, Sue, health; prayer for a baby born who lived 8 hours). Judi DeMoss (cousin with brain cancer). Carol & Mike Nieters (Mark Nieters, cancer treatments). Wanda Newell (new neighbor with flu/pneumonia; sister-in-law, Karla, health).

Prayers for those grieving ~ Rev. Bill Spangler-Dunning (father passed away). Wendy Todd (cousin passed away, Joann; pet passed away). Sarah Champion (2 family members passed away (cousin, Sandee Frentrup, aunt Estaline Chamberlain). Anna Hines (long-time friend, John Miller, passed away).

We continue to pray for those serving our country. We pray for all refugees & migrants. We pray for all elected officials to be guided with wisdom and grace.



7th Robert & Georgia Woodward

In 2017, Stephanie Hosier and Pastor McKinna will be leading new and prospective member classes the 2nd Sunday of every month. Class topics will be on a 3-month rotation. Our first class will be *February 12 at 9:15 am*, and will focus on the history and beliefs of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). If you are a new or prospective member, or a long-time member who just wants to learn more, please join us!



Outreach Meeting
Feb. 7 @ 6 pm
ACC Spirit Room



➔ Outreach Ministries ➔

CARING HANDS

mobilizing compassion



One thing you can do anytime!

This week at the grocery store, pick up a few non-perishable items. Leave them in your car, and bring them to church Sunday.

Leave in the Caring Hands Food Pantry cart, next to the Mission table in the back of the church.

One act of kindness at a time – God feeds the world. *Thank you!*

Adoption of TWO Families, A Success: This year ACC adopted two families through Salvation Army. The two families each had three children ranging from 3-9 years old. Their wish lists included toys for building, dolls, coloring books and more. Practical items such as shirts, pants and shoes were also requested. And our congregation responded! Nearly all of the tags were selected from the Giving Tree by members of the congregation. The items that remained on the few tags not selected, were shopped for, and purchased, using money from the Outreach Committee budget. Thanks to everyone who participated! **Save the Dates:** The knitting fellowship will meet in fellowship hall from 1-3 on Sat., Feb. 11 and Sat., March 4. This is an opportunity to participate in round loom knitting while enjoying some good conversation and laughs. Completed caps will be given to The Clothes Hangar, SE Polk Schools and John Stoddard Cancer Center.



Donate clean, plastic shopping bags!

Bring those extra shopping bags to church, and we will get them to the Salvation Army to help them in their good work.

Salvation Army's ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in God's name without discrimination.

Leave your donations in the bin next to the Mission Table in the back of the church anytime.
 Thank you!

"We can do no great and mighty things, only small things with great and mighty love" (Mother Teresa)

One little bit of love at a time, changes the world. Thank you!



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

Pop-tabs Help Raise Funds!

Collecting pop tabs is a great way to teach kids about philanthropy and the importance of recycling while raising funds to help children and their families at the same time.

Ronald McDonald House keeps families with sick children close to each other plus the care and resources they need.

Place your donations in the special RMHC pop tab collection container on the Mission Table in the back of the church anytime!

And the King will answer them, "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40

God's light shines through you. Thank you!



You can Donate Children's Books Anytime

Polk County jail is collecting children's books for children when they come visit incarcerated parents.

If the child would like, they take the book home with them.

Donations always needed!

- Books for children six months through pre-teen
- Hispanic language books always in short supply

Leave your children's books for this important outreach in the basket on the Mission Table at the back of the church. Thank you!

"Let the children come to me, do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" Matthew 19:14



Throughout February -- feed the hungry.

Take a recipe and pan(s); make, bake & freeze your breakfast casserole(s). Return to church freezer, and we will get them to the Salvation Army. ACC goal this year: 100 casseroles!

Through you, Christ's love draws near.
 Thank you.

Take and bake opportunity, coordinating with ACC youth: Sunday, Feb. 19, 5:00 PM

"For I was hungry and you gave me to eat" Matthew 25:35



SEASONALLY CHALLENGED

"IF WE MAKE IT THROUGH DECEMBER". In the flurry of conversations and advertising, that song title came to mind. Numerous activities. A pressure to participate. Calendars overflowing with opportunities to see, to do and to have, right up through early January. There is a deception in the world that says making your holidays memorable or successful requires spending lots of time, money and energy. Does it have to be? That first Christmas was spectacular! God set the skies on fire to announce Jesus' birth. So, it stands to reason Christmas cannot be truly glorious apart from God. Matthew 6:24: "No one can serve two masters." Success is really measured by how much you are led of the Lord. Verse 25 tells us not to worry about material things. Isn't a home of peace and love more important than a beautifully decorated house? Does your giving stem more from obligation? Or seeds of love". People may ooh and aah, but will it be about you? It's possible to create a home environment where others sense the presence of the Lord and are blessed.

To help sort out the priorities, partner with Jesus. Be ever mindful to be led of Him in all you do. For only then will His presence, His joy and His glory be in it. Merry Christmas! Grace and peace in 2017.

Ruth O'Connor—Caring Hands Food Pantry

November of 2016, found 326 families (a record for the year) coming to the food pantry for assistance - 592 adults and 435 children, for a total of 1,027 persons served. There were 8,150 pounds of food given, not counting the bread, cookies, cakes and fruits and vegetables donated by some of the local stores. Vouchers for \$8.00 were handed out to 319 families to be used at the Fareway Stores at Altoona or Pleasant Hill or the Brick Street Market at Bondurant, to be used for perishable items like milk, butter, eggs, etc. that we cannot keep at the pantry.

Personal items such as shampoo, soap, toilet tissue, toothbrushes, toothpaste, diapers, etc. are also given. Laundry detergent can be given every other month. Rent assistance checks for \$1,112.76 and utility assistance checks for \$ 847.66 were written.

Food needed this month: Chili beans & egg noodles

A "Simple Supper" is provided for our food pantry clients the last Monday of each month from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Adventure-Life Church, and is provided by churches, organizations and families in the SEP area. On **Sunday, December 18th** from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. (note change of day and time) a Christmas dinner will be served to all our food pantry clients provided by various churches in the SEP area. We want to say a Huge Thank You to the Bob & Sharon Townsend family who again donated a semi load of food to the Caring Hands Food Pantry in December.

Statistics for the Clothes Hanger for November are: 207 families assisted (371 adults and 339 children) totaling 710 individuals. Clothing items given totaled 3,563 and household items, 77. The Clothes Hanger is badly in need of **girl's new panties/underwear** in all sizes.

On behalf of our clients we say "THANK YOU" to all of the individuals, churches, businesses, schools and organizations who are so very generous in donating food and finances to the pantry. It is all so much appreciated, and we pray your lives will be richly blessed.

THANK YOU FOR LOVING OTHERS



February 2017						
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Wed Feb 1, 2017

Outreach begins collecting casseroles for the Salvation Army

Thu Feb 2, 2017

Cluster Meeting at ACC

5:30pm ACC Bible Study (Library)

6:15pm Mixed Blessings Quartet Practice

7pm Choir Practice

Sun Feb 5, 2017 Boy Scout Sunday/Love Fund Offering

No Youth Group!

8:15am/10:15am Worship Services

1pm Eagle Scout Ceremony (Sanctuary/F. Hall)

6pm Boy Scout Committee Meeting

Mon Feb 6, 2017

6:30pm Boy Scouts

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Tiger Den & Wolves)

Tue Feb 7, 2017

9am TOPS

6pm Outreach Meeting (Spirit Room)

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Webs 1 & Bears)

7pm Narcotics Anonymous (Library)

Wed Feb 8, 2017

10am Altoona Nursing Home Service

Thu Feb 9, 2017

5:30pm ACC Bible Study (Library)

6:15pm Mixed Blessings Quartet Practice

7pm Choir Practice

Fri Feb 10, 2017

3pm-8pm Paige Champion (F. Hall Reservation)

Sat Feb 11, 2017

9am to 12pm Worship Mini Retreat

1pm Round Loom Knitting Class (F. Hall)

Sun Feb 12, 2017 Week of Compassion Special Offering

8:15am/10:15am Worship Services

3:30pm Cub Scouts Blue/Gold Crossover (F. Hall/Sanctuary)

5pm Youth Group 4 (prep youth Sunday)

Mon Feb 13, 2017

6:30pm Boy Scouts

6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Tue Feb 14, 2017 Valentine's Day

9am TOPS

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Webs 1)

7pm Narcotics Anonymous

Wed Feb 15, 2017 Newsletter Deadline!!

2:30pm Coffee with the Pastor (PVV)

6pm Property Meeting

Thu Feb 16, 2017

5:30pm ACC Bible Study (Library)

6:15pm Mixed Blessings Quartet Practice

7pm Choir Practice

Sat Feb 18, 2017

1-4pm Cate Hosier - Bridal Shower (F. Hall)

Sun Feb 19, 2017 Food Pantry Sunday/Week of

Compassion Special Offering

LAST DAY Outreach collects casseroles for Salvation Army

8:15am/10:15am Worship Services

5pm Youth Group 5 (prep youth Sunday)

Mon Feb 20, 2017

President's Day

6:30pm Boy Scouts

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Tiger Den & Wolves)

Tue Feb 21, 2017

9am TOPS

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Bears & Webs 1)

7pm Narcotics Anonymous (Library)

Thu Feb 23, 2017 Pastor McKinna (out of office)

5:30pm ACC Bible Study (Library)

6:15pm Mixed Blessings Quartet Practice

7pm Choir Practice

Fri Feb 24, 2017

CYF Midwinter @ CCC

Sat Feb 25, 2017

CYF Midwinter @ CCC

Sun Feb 26, 2017

CYF Midwinter @ CCC

8:15am/10:15am Worship Services

5pm Youth Group 6 (prep youth Sunday)

6:30pm Cub Scouts - Parent & Planning Meeting (Library)

Mon Feb 27, 2017

6:30pm Boy Scouts

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Wolves)

7pm Board Meeting

Tue Feb 28, 2017

9am TOPS

6:30pm Cub Scouts (Bears)

7pm Narcotics Anonymous (Library)

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH GROUP

NO YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH

Youth Group 2017 Sunday Dinners

The leaders & youth are looking for members and friends of ACC to supply and/or prepare dinner for our Sunday meetings, held from 5-7 p.m.

DATES NEEDED ARE:
February 12, 26; March 5, 19, 26;
April 2, 9, 23.

Please sign up on the poster board located in the Narthex. If questions, please contact a youth leader or the church office.



2017 Winter/Spring- Altoona Christian Youth

January						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	31				

Christmas Party Re-scheduled!

5:00-7p.m.

February						
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Regular Youth Group

Dinner Provided 5:00-7p.m.

March						
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Prep for Youth Sunday!

Dinner Provided 5:00-7:00 pm

April						
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3/5 Youth Sunday!

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Ash Wednesday Evening Service

SEP Spring Break

No Youth Group

Easter Sunday!

No Youth Group

5/7

End of Year PARTY!!!

5-7 p.m.

Save the Date: Week of June 18th

MISSION TRIP- Location TBA!

Additional Notes:

Please speak to Pastor McKinna about being baptized on Easter!

FUNDRAISERS TBA! Info Coming Soon!

Feb. 12th- Mission Trip Planning Meeting 4 p.m.

May 21st- All Parent and Youth Meeting

June 3rd- Cabin Blitz Build @ Christian Conference Center

Please check uppermidwestcc.org for summer camp schedule and plan to register by **May 1st!**

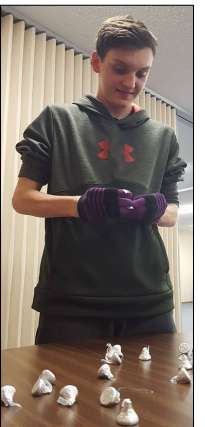
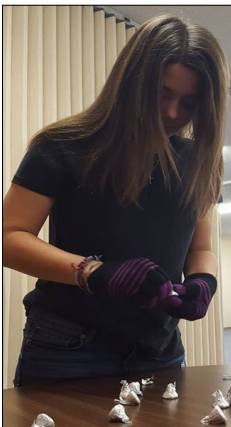
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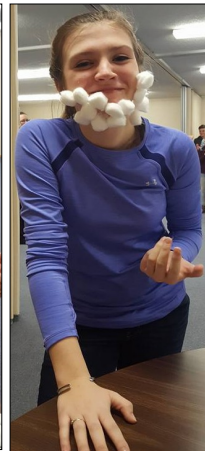
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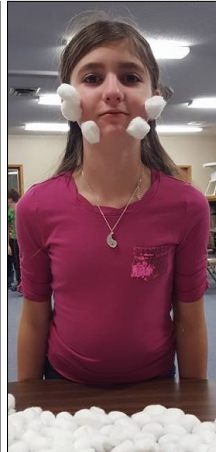
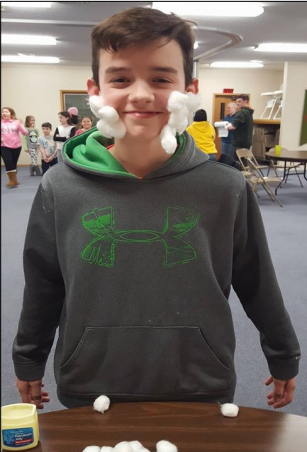


The youth group celebrated a post-Christmas party on January 8th. After enjoying a wonderful taco bar, provided by the McLean family, the youth group participated in the 3rd Annual Reindeer Games. It was a fun night capped off by a Holiday Sock Gift Exchange. More pictures on next page!—>





YOUTH GROUP





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Come see what TOPS is all about!

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Cancellations ~ Check WHO, KCCI, or call the church (515) 967-4382, in the event of inclement weather. If Southeast Polk Schools are closed, the office will also be closed.

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Mission Statement:

We believe Christ has touched our hearts and spirits with God's love.

Therefore, we seek to care for and love each other, serving in Christ's name that God's Spirit may touch others through us.

Goal for Ministry:

The goal for ministry of the Altoona Christian Church through the year is:

To seek people for Christ, especially children, youth and older adults through encouraging belief and service.

FEBRUARY

