



THE VISION

January 2019

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them and...teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...”
Amen. Matthew 28:19-20*

“Go in Jesus’ Name”

2018 is drawing to an end. I am so thankful to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for His manifold blessings bestowed upon us. If our Lord wills, I pray for 2019 to continue to be a Christ honoring year for our church family. I encourage us that in all we do and all the places we go, that we, “Go in Jesus’ Name.”

In this coming Lord’s Year, Jesus still sends us to testify in His name. Jesus says, “However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven,” (Luke 10:20). This passage of Scripture reminds me of a time in the life of Fanny Crosby. She lived a very long time ago. She has an amazing story!

Fanny Crosby was born healthy but when she was an infant, she became sick. A man, pretending to be a doctor, tried to cure her but instead he blinded her. This did not stop Ms. Crosby though. By the age of 8 she began writing poems. She also wrote hymns, many of which are still sung in churches today! She wrote for U.S. presidents and was the first woman ever to speak before the United States Senate.

Many famous musicians came to Ms. Crosby for help, asking her to write words for the music they had written. Once, a very famous musician passed by her house on the way to the train station. He asked her if she would

write words to go with a song, he was presenting that night. She only had 35 minutes! Not only did she do it, but “Safe in the Arms of Jesus” became one of her most famous hymns.

When people have amazing talents like this, they can do many things with it. Some people may brag about their talent and show off to everyone. Others choose to use their gifts to glorify God. That is what Ms. Crosby did, she even wrote a very famous hymn that we still sing today called, “To God be the Glory.”

In our Scripture passage, Jesus sent out workers to tell others about God. He told them exactly what they should do and sent them out with everything they needed to be successful. When they came back, they were overjoyed by the great success of their mission saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.” Jesus answered, “...do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

During 2019, let us pray together in asking the Holy Spirit to guide us to be workers for Jesus Christ, to spread His love to others and to give the thanks and praise to Him for all that He has done and will do through His followers! Let us always “Go in Jesus’ Name.”

Happy New Year,
Pastor Bud Goude



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Deacon's Devotional

After the Advent

Taking down Christmas decorations always compels me to think about what happens after the advent. Biblical scholars may disagree on the exact timing of the arrival of Magi, probably not at the manger, but we know from the book of Matthew that they came to worship the Christ and visited the child and his mother in their home. Matthew is the only one of the four gospels that mentions the Magi. These men had studied the stars and recognized the prophecy when a new star, later called the Star of Bethlehem, appeared in the sky. They came bearing gifts for the King and had likely traveled a great distance. This is significant as travel was not easy in biblical times, requiring an entourage for such a long journey and an uncertain timeframe from when the star first appeared in the sky.

Two Christian celebrations recognize the incarnation of Jesus Christ: Epiphany, which is celebrated on January 6 and sometimes called Twelfth Night (Twelfth Night of Christmas) or Three Kings' Day, and Candlemas, which is a celebration on February 2 of Christ's presentation at the Temple in Jerusalem. Epiphany, as Three Kings' Day, marks the visit of the Magi in adoration of the Christ child but many biblical scholars also believe that Epiphany commemorates the day when Christ was baptized in the Jordan River, though 30 years later. Candlemas is celebrated after Mary's 40 days of purification (the 40th day of Christmas) and is described in Luke 2:22-40. Both of these events are significant because they recognize Jesus to both Jew and Gentile as the Son of God.

As you prepared for the Advent and the first coming of Christ with daily devotionals, let us always be ready for His second coming.

Blessings,
Debra Wood

G.U.E.S.T. (Gloucester United Emergency Shelter Team) is a coalition of religious and community organizations that work together to provide emergency overnight shelter and meals for the homeless in our area during the winter months. This year, G.U.E.S.T. celebrates the 6th season of providing emergency winter shelter in Gloucester. G.U.E.S.T. could not do it without **You**... our amazing volunteers and friends!

GPBC will serve again as an overnight shelter for the homeless this winter. Our first week will be **January 14–21, 2019** and our second week **March 11–18, 2019**. There will be a volunteer training session here at GPBC on Monday, January 7, 2019 at 7pm. Please call Pauline Littell at 804-815-8030 or Ted Fischer at 757-870-4156, if you wish to volunteer or you have any questions.

WMU Invites You To:

CHILI AND A MOVIE

January 9, 2019--Be a Souper Servant--Bring a can or 2, or 3..., and partner with the WMU as we donate to the Salvation Army for those less fortunate.

6:00 P.M. WMU will provide a Chili Dinner (bring a salad or dessert to share).

6:30 P.M. "The Mully Movie", A true story about what happened when a six year old boy was abandoned by his own family and left to raise himself on the streets. From rags to riches, following the will of God.



Questions contact,
Theresa Svoboda
or
Laraine Sentz

Any left over chili will be sold, proceeds to be sent to the Mully fund in Kenya.



Books of the Bible

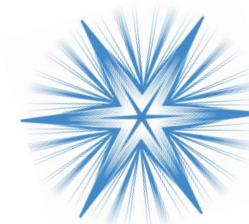
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Can you find them?

ACTS
ESTHER
JUDE
COLOSSIANS
EXODUS

JUDGES
EPHESIANS
GENESIS
LEVITICUS
LUKE

NUMBERS
MALACHI
PROVERBS
MATTHEW
REVELATION



Deacon of the Week

1/6— Sonya Anthony
1/13— Keith Belvin
1/20— Amy Boykin
1/27— Bill Breeden

Nursery Workers

1/6—L. Walton/ G. Breeden
1/13—Devan & Elyza Willard
1/20—M. Wagner & Youth
1/27—S. Jenkins & Youth

January Ushers

Jimmy Diggs
Dale Jacobson
Amy Jacobson
Gus Saunders

January Tellers

Ted Fisher
Amy Jacobson

Sun. Sch. Nursery
Sharon/Howard Warren



CHURCH WORKERS

Older Children's Church

1/6—Theresa Svoboda
1/13—Jennifer & Lauren Hall
1/20—Madison & Denise Gandee
1/27—Charlene & John West

Younger Children's Church

1/6—Tim Owens
1/13—Nancy Dyson & Sonya Anthony
1/20—Janis West
1/27—Laraine Sentz & Rachel Wells



Sunday Schedule

Sunday School (All Ages)- 9:40am
 Worship Service- 11:00am
 C.A.R.E. Ministry—2:00pm

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Wednesday Schedule

5:30pm: Teens Living For Christ
 6:30pm: Children's Bible Study & Choir
 6:30pm: Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
 7:30pm: Choir Practice

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Girl Scouts 7:00pm	2	3	4 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm	5
6 Lord's Supper 11am Deacon Mtg 3pm	7 WMU Council 10:00am American Heritage Board 6:30pm GUEST Volunteer Training 7:00pm	8 Girl Scouts 7:00pm Building & Grounds Meeting 7:00pm	9 WMU Movie & Chili Night 6:00pm	10	11 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am American Heritage Girls Lock-In 5:30pm AA 8:00pm	12 American Heritage Girls Pick Up 8am
13 SS Breakfast 9:15am	14 American Heritage Girls 6:30pm	15 Armstrong Circle Meal-5:30 Meeting-6pm Girl Scouts 7:00pm	16 Vision Articles Due G.U.E.S.T. At G.P.B.C.	17 Acree 10am	18 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm	19
20	21	22 Girl Scouts 7:00pm	23 Business Meeting 6:30pm	24	25 Seniors' Morning Out 9:30am AA 8:00pm	26 Baptist Men's Meal
27 Baptist Men's Day Church Council Mtg 12:00pm	28 American Heritage Girls 6:30pm	29 Girl Scouts 7:00pm	30	31		

January Birthdays:

Alice Smith	1/1
Chris Hutson	1/3
Katherine Hall	1/4
Betty Jean Duncan	1/5
Tim Owens	1/5
Lester Jenkins	1/6
Ronnie Lewis	1/6
Tommy Willard	1/8
Devon Willard	1/9
Janis West	1/17
Melissa Jacobson	1/17
Mike Crawford	1/24
Alice Oldfield	1/25
Jeannie Fitzgerald	1/25
John Oldfield	1/26
Ted Fisher	1/27
Raquel Sheffield	1/28
Charles West	1/29
Debra Wood	1/29
Howard Warren	1/30

Anniversaries:

Chris & Heidi Gibbons	1/6
Doug & Chris Blaylock	1/15
Ronnie & Judy Lewis	1/20

