December

Dec 07 Ladies Holiday Party; 7:00 p.m. Dec 08 Secret Sister Reveal; after morning services Dec 15 Children's Christmas Caroling; 2:00 p.m. Dec 19 Men's Fellowship & Bible Study; 6:00 p.m. Dec 25 No Wednesday Night Services Dec 29 5th Sunday Fellowship after services

LADIES HOLIDAY PARTY

The annual Ladies Holiday Party will be December 7 at 7:00 p.m. Please bring an ornament to exchange and your favorite snack. If you have any questions, please see Jill DeJarnett.

SECRET SISTER REVEAL

Due to the busy season, we will have a short secret sister reveal on Sunday, December 8 immediately following services. We will meet down front in the auditorium.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Children of all ages that would like to go out caroling on Sunday December 15, please meet at the church building at 2:00 p.m. Bring a snack to share after caroling.

BLESSING BOX MINISTRY

Church family, thank you for your continued support of our Blessing Box Ministry! Our storage shelves are running very low—especially in this colder weather we want to keep our box filled. Please help us refill our storage shelves as we continue to serve our community in Jesus' name! Thanks in advance!

Priority Needs!!!

Non-Perishable Food Items:

Canned goods w/flip top lids/can openers Boxed Meal/food that only needs water to cook it Granola Bars/Fruit Cups or other on-the-go snack items that can be divided up easily Wrapped Plasticware/Sandwich Baggies Hygiene Items: Seasonal Warm Items:

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Toothbrushes/Toothpaste	Gloves
Shampoo/Conditioner	Stocking Caps
Body Wash/Body Lotion	Gloves
Deodorant	Scarves
Lip Balm/Facial Tissue	Handwarmers

*You can also put together individual "kits" in quart or gallon sized baggies with "travel size" basic toiletries or snack bags that are ready for visitors to grab-and-go.

*Our storage shelves are housed in the nursery/study in the west hallway. If you ever see the box empty when you come to church, you're welcome to stop in and grab a few items to restock it!

Thankyou!

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK What Will I Do?

One of the verses that I think about most often is Ephesians 2:10 -

¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

You already know that it's on my mind often because of how often it comes up in lessons that I teach and sermons that I preach.

The reason I'm so drawn to this verse and other verses like it, is because I love verses that help me understand my purpose on this earth – verses that help me understand why God chose to create me and what I should be doing with the time that He has given to me. This verse tells me that I was created *for good works...so that I would walk in them*.

You may have noticed in the last line, when I copied the text, I changed the word "we" to "I." I will often do this, not in an attempt to change what the verse says, but to personalize the text so that it better sinks into my heart and mind that though this text was not written to me, it was written for me. It was written to all who follow Jesus.

The word "we" is important in the verse though. It's important in the beginning when it says, <u>we are His workmanship</u>, and it's important in the end when it says, so that <u>we would walk in them</u>. The first instance tells us that it isn't just one person who is God's workmanship, but all of us. The second instance tells us that we don't simply live out God's good works as individuals, but as a collective. That's why Paul, when he compares all followers of Jesus to a human body says in 1 Corinthians 12:14, ¹⁴ For the body is not one member, but many.

We are intended to live out God's will – to do His good works – together. I say all of that to ask the questions: 1) What am I currently doing to live out God's will? 2) As the new year approaches, what am I planning to do, Lord willing, in 2025?

I try to set both personal goals and collective goals. I'm not talking about worldly goals. A lot of worldly goals are fine, but they should never take priority over spiritual goals. **Prayer List:** Wynetta Weston, Joshua Lewis, Larry Helton, Mary Ellen Garver, Marilyn Bartlow, Patsy Pierce, Gary Bodine, Bob & Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Kylie Lock

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Our Theme for Children's & Teens Bible Classes for December is "God Delivers His People." Here is a peek at this month's lessons, the Big Picture Question and Bible Verse.

Dec 01—God Called Moses (Exodus 1-4)

Dec 08—Moses Confronted Pharaoh (Exodus 5-12)

Dec 15—Moses Parted the Red Sea (Exodus 13-15)

Dec 22—God Provided for His People (Exodus 15-17)

Dec 29—Moses Led the Israelites (Exodus 17-18)

Big Picture Question:

Q: Why does sin separate us from God?

A: Because God is holy, sin has broken our relationship with

God. *"The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles."* —Psalm 34:17

WOMEN WALKING WITH GOD CONFERENCE

The annual Women Walking with God Conference will be held April 11-12, 2025. The conference will be held at Northside Church of Christ, so **seating is limited**. Registration is now open and if you register before January 15, you will save \$5.00. If you are planning on going, get registered soon!

5TH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

We have a 5th Sunday Fellowship December 29. Please mark your calendars as a reminder. We will meet after morning services. Please bring enough food for your family plus extras.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE December

Dec 01—Need Volunteer! Dec 15—Audra Hudspeth Dec 08—Linda Wartick Dec 22—**Need Volunteer!**

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Don't wait until the last minute. Start making plans now to do the good works of God in 2025. Think and pray about it. If you have new ideas, come share them with me.

This year isn't over yet, so finish the year strong in the Lord. Let's dream together about what God might do in the place where we live. What will you do?

Much love!

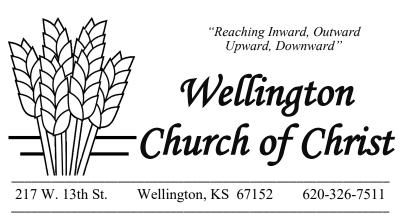
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<u>Paul</u>	+ Spirit Power, Part 4: Strategies Acts 19:29-41
Mob Strategy:	
- To	God's
- To Cause	
- To	For Another
God Strategy:	
- To	Untimely
- To Use	For His
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THOSE WHO SERVE					
<u>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</u>	Dec 01	Dec 08	Dec 15	Dec 22	
Opening Prayer	L. Turney	K. Dodds	E. Newberry	L. Lewis	
Song Leader	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris	
Communion Talk					
<u>& Prayer</u>	N. Bradbury	D. Pierce	R. Harris	W. LeFlore	
Contribution Prayer,	A. Shields	A. Shields	A. Shields	A. Shields	
Collection & Count	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	
<u>Ushers</u>	J. Rayl	J. Rayl	J. Rayl	J. Rayl	
	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	
Closing Prayer	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris	
Deacon in Charge	L. Lewis	L. Lewis	L. Lewis	L. Lewis	
ATTENDANCE SUNDAY—November 24 Bible Class					
WEDNESDAY—November 27					
Auditorium—48 Teens—					
Bible Hour— Total—48					
ELDERS Rex Harris Tom Norris		Bible (SERVICE 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	
Aaron Hines	Kevin Dodds Leroy Lewis Wade Pierce			, 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	
MINISTER Wes LeFlore					



ORDER OF WORSHIP		
December 1, 2024		

Call to Wors	hip		
Song #96	"I Stand in Awe"		
Song #264	"O Come, Let Us Adore Him"		
Prayer			
Song #344	"Low in the Grave He Lay" (1,2,3 Chorus)		
Communion	Prayers		
Contribution	Prayer		
Contributi	on Collection		
Song #68	"Give Thanks"		
Lesson			
Song #943	"Do You Know My Jesus?"		
Prayer			

Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.