

Refrigerator News



December 25, 2016

Eternal Light

Christmas occurred when God invaded Earth in a strange and marvelous way. A special child was born to improbable parents in an unlikely place at an inconvenient time and in an unwelcoming world. Yet heaven's light pierced the darkness and shone through the life of that unique baby. That light was and is an eternal light. God's light in Christ is a saving light that can keep the world from total destruction, from the ultimate darkness. The message is always true: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." (John 1:5, NRSV). And it never will. - Charles Ferrell

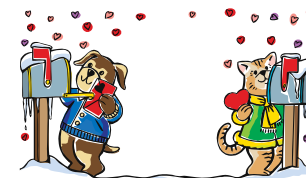
Christmas sharing at Lincolnshire



Your gifts of food for the food pantry are placed under the chancel Christmas tree during December. In January, **Jack Steckly** will restock the downstairs pantry with your generous gifts where they will await distribution into food bags. Thank you, Jack for your faithful attention in helping others. The Thursday bread distribution also continues to be an important part of the how we share with others. Thanks to **Tom Dawson** and **Stan Gorom** who pick up the bread supply on Wednesdays and arrange distribution on Thursdays for our neighbors and the church family. We continue to "share Christmas" all through the year!



On December 16 a number of ladies gathered at the church to make gift boxes of cookies that were given to Lincolnshire's homebound friends and to friends that just need an extra touch of love and caring during the Christmas season. The gaily decorated boxes of cookies and the friendly visits gave our friends a loving touch of Christmas from the church.



Weather conditions and the cancellation of church on December 18 prevented many from checking your church mailboxes. Before you leave today, don't forget to pick up your mail. Most boxes are overflowing with **Christmas** wishes! There may also be some Secret Santa gifts around!

"Christmas, my child, is love in action. Every time we love, every time we give, it is Christmas." - Dale Evans

News and notes...

Men's Bible Study is now meeting on the **1st and 3rd Thursday** of each month. All men are invited to join the group! See Dave Bell if you have any questions. The next scheduled meeting is on January 5 at Casey Drudge's home. A new study of David will begin. That is the Old Testament David, not a study of one of the many "Davids" we have here at Lincolnshire!

Women's Bible Study resumes January 9th at 9:15 a.m. All women of the church and their friends are invited to attend.

A Gift to Help End Poverty... Heifer International offers the opportunity to give a lasting gift to families living in extreme poverty in many places in the world. The gift of an animal can change and make a difference in their lives. Along with the animal, they receive education on the caring of the animal, important and effective farming practices as well as providing healthy food to their communities. **Judy Steckly** will be happy to answer any questions you may have and she also has gift forms available.

Joe Henderson has changed his email address. Please mark your directory and change your email address book to reflect the new address of: Hender2514@gmail.com.

On December 11th, K. C. Klarnar, our guest pastor, centered his sermon around "FEAR". It was indeed stirring and was given with much animation and humor. Fortunately, you can still hear that sermon by going to the church website at www.lincnotes.org. Just key this into your browser and when the webpage comes up, click on the "Sermon" pulldown, click on "Last Week" and the sound will be there. There is no video, just the sound. **Refrigerator News is also downloaded to this site for your viewing. You can do this for any missed Sunday or just to hear a repeat sermon. For many people, this is an integral way of keeping current.**

The next **Leadership Team** meeting is January 26 at 7:00. If the need arises for a meeting regarding an interim review, a Special Called Meeting would be necessary.



January 6
January 14
January 15
January 16
January 18
January 19
January 24

Beth Wages
Judy Steckly
Brandon Hix
Chris Kiess
Chrissy Hix
James Woods
Howard Williams

Happy Anniversary to
Howard and Jan Williams
on
January 21!



The **New Year's Day 10:00 Service** will emphasize anticipating the New Year with a positive outlook and positive attitude. Lowell Shearer is leading the service which includes...

Scripture
hymns,
poems,
meditations
advice for New Year's resolutions
quotes of wisdom
and
LOTS of audience participation.

Come gather in the Overflow Room at 10:00!
Coffee and donuts at 9:45... IF YOU BRING YOUR OWN!