

Prayer Concerns

Please contact the church office with any additional prayer requests. Requests remain on our listing for two weeks unless our office is notified with up-dated information. We want to keep our church family well informed.

Stuarts Draft Church Family

The Grant Family in the death of Jimmy Grant; Brenda Johnson (River Edge Rehabilitation); Lenora Swecker; Evelyn Howell; Bob Harvey; Our Staff; Our Community, Nation, and World

Homebound

Isabelle Baldwin; Roy Brooks; Larry Edwards (Cancer, Stage 4); Paulette Furr; Connie Snider; Barbara Trumbo

Relatives and Friends

Connie Campbell, pancreatic cancer, friend of Jesyka Rowzie; Nancy Jackson (broken hip, Judy Wagner's sister); Josh, Taylor and Johanna Heizer in Jordan (Gary Eaver's nephew and family); Paul McGartland and Josh Turner (friends of Janet Sorrell, cancer); Carol Fox (cancer, friend of Danny and Della Cork); Sam Robb (ALS, friend of Burritt's)

Our Servicemen

Logan Perry (Will Coffey's friend, Marines); Brandon Neel (Florence McCoy's grandson, Air Force); Michael Robinson (Diane Lockridge's grandson, Navy); Connor Cline (Twila Deese's grandson, Marines)

Stuarts Draft Baptist Church

2517 Stuarts Draft Highway
PO Box 1054, Stuarts Draft, VA 24477

Church Office Hours (Twila Deese, Secretary):

Monday—Wednesday—8:30 am-3:00 pm
Thursday—8:30 am—2:00 pm

Billy Coffey, Pastor:
8:30 am—1:30 pm (Monday-Thursday)

Sue Haberlein, Minister of Music & Senior Adults:

Monday—Thursday—8:30 am-1:30 pm

Jesyka Rowzie, Certified Christian Counselor & Family Ministries Coordinator

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday—8:30 am—6:00 pm
Confidential Number: 540-457-8810

Church Office Contact Numbers:

540-337-1421/540-337-3392

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God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

Sunday, December 24, 2023

10:30 a.m.

Family Ministry

Family Sunday School Fusion (ages 12-19) and for L.O.L. (ages 5-11).

Sunday Night Youth Group will meet this evening at 5 p.m. Please let Jesyka Rowzie know if you plan to attend so enough food can be provided.

Adult Sunday School Class *Romans* by Tim Keller meets each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. Feel free to join the study anytime. Let Joanne Coffey know if you need a copy of the study guide.

Young Adult Meet-up First Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. We will meet at the Starbucks in Draft.. Just coffee/tea and conversation!

****Volunteers NEEDED! ****

NEEDS are 1/21, and 2/18. Please consider volunteering to help with Sunday School or even being a last minute substitute. Pray that someone feels called to fill this NEED completely but if you are available on one or more of these day(s), please see Jesyka.**

Young Adult/College and Career Ministry

College/Career Friend of the Week: Please pray for our college and career students as some will be traveling home and back to college during the Christmas Season. Each week you will see the name and address of one of our young folks enabling you to reach out to them and let them know they are thought of and prayed for. Please call the church office if you know of someone who should be on our list.

Revived Ministry Counseling Services Available

Are you or someone you know struggling with something? All ages are welcome. Walk-ins welcome! Even if prayer is all you need, reach out. You are never alone.

This ministry allows everyone, no matter their financial situation, to have access to Christian Counseling services. This is made possible through donations from those who feel led to do so. Thank you!

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Worshipers: O Lord, forgive us for wanting You to work in the ways we think best. We long for Your newness. But it cannot be on our terms. We trust and hope in You. Bring Your newness into our midst. Reorient us to Your priorities. Help us to respond faithfully.

Pastor: A new future is being born. It is God's way, the way of God's kingdom that leads to life. The old has passed away. All things have become new.

Worshipers: We rejoice in the Coming One who cast aside the old ways that lead to death. The old ways cannot save us. God's way and His kingdom lead to life and peace. O Lord, transform our hearts that we may live fully in His New Kingdom.

Pastor: He will stand and feed His flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord His God. And we will live secure. For He shall be the One of peace.

All: O Lord, help us live as if this New Kingdom is present reality. May we not just long for Justice, unity, and peace. May we *practice* them each day as You give of your strength. We rejoice for the Lord is near. Surely He is coming soon. Come, Lord Jesus!

The Lord's Supper

Offertory Hymn, No. 88 (1,2,3) *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

Offertory Prayer

*Receiving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Message in Music *In the First Light* Worship Choir

Message "Mary's Labor Pains" Rev. Billy Coffey
Scripture: Luke 2:1-7/ 16-19

Hymn of Response, No. 87 (1,2,3,4) *Joy to the World*

Benediction

*Children's Worship is available.

Sunday 12/24
Monday 12/25
Wednesday 12/27
Sunday 12/31

The Week Ahead

5:00 pm Candlelight Service
Merry Christmas! Church Office Closed
6:30 pm Prayer Group
9:00 am Praise Team Rehearsal
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Morning Worship

Missions

International Missions December Lottie Moon Offering. We have received \$2,430 toward our goal of \$4,000 to help the lost for Christ. We will be accepting offerings through December.

Prayer Focus

From *3-Minute Devotions*

Father, fill my heart with peace and give me a spirit of acceptance, that I might know happiness even when things don't happen fast enough to suit me. Amen.

Amen. Join us Wednesday evening at 6:30 for a time of prayer.

December Events

Sunday	24	Fourth Sunday of Advent (LOVE) 5:00 p.m. Christmas Candlelight Service Make plans to join our church family for this special time of worship and praise for the Baby Jesus who was born to save us!
Monday	25	Merry Christmas!
Sunday	31	New Year's Eve
Monday	1	New Year's Day/Church Office Closed

Sermon Notes

Title: _____

Scripture Focus: _____

Main Points:

How Can I Apply God's Word to My Life?



Christmas Poinsettias

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In honor of my Children and Grandchildren by Linda Harris.



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Lenora Swecker

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