

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 1, 2023

- **WELCOME!** Please sign in on a fellowship pad, located at the end of your pew. Provide your email to be added to our e-newsletter list.
- Place your **prayer requests** in the basket on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. They will be collected five minutes before the start of worship.
- **Hearing assisted devices** are available from the sound board operator. **Large print readers** are available in the narthex near the main office.
- **We are livestreaming worship** on Facebook, YouTube, and Zoom.

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- **New pew Bibles and hymnals are coming soon!** Donate one or more copies in memory of a loved one. Bibles are \$17.50 and hymnals are \$20.00. Order forms are by the office, and full details in *The Cornerstone*.
- Those of you who requested **offering envelopes for 2023** can find them on the table in the Memorial Room.
- The **church office will be closed** on Monday, January 2.
- **Epiphany is this Friday, January 6.** Celebrate the revelation of Jesus Christ to the world! An old Epiphany tradition involves using chalk to write the letters CMB and the numbers of the current year, separated by crosses (+), over the doors of congregations and Christian homes: 20 + C + M + B + 23 or CMB + 2023. The letters CMB are said to stand for the names of the magi (Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar) or the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat* (Christ bless this house).
- **Next Sunday (January 8)** we will commemorate the Baptism of the Lord. We will also renew our own baptismal vows.
- **The next Adult Spiritual Growth study** is *My One Word* by Mike Ashcraft and Rachel Olsen. It will run 4 weeks beginning January 8 after worship in the library. The concept of *My One Word* is simple. Lose the long list of resolutions—all your sweeping promises to change—and do something about one thing this year. Choose one word that represents what you most hope God will do in you and focus on it for an entire year. As you focus on your word over an extended period of time, you position yourself for God to form your character at a deep sustainable level.
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