



Up Beat

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We seldom think of Christmas until late fall arrives. During the earlier months of the year, we are concerned with many things, going here and there, doing this and that. And, suddenly, Christmas is upon us and we remember once again how Christmas is such a blessed season.

This year's Church School program offered a special worship opportunity on the Second Sunday of Advent. We are grateful for the students, teachers (Amy, Andrew, Zara, Crystal, and Emily) and all the musicians for sharing their talents with us. Kelsey Ruppert was a gift as the church school accompanist.

Marie Sand, Charly Anderson, Leo Jostad, Lilly McKay, Andy McKay and Beth Sluder contributed to making the Christmas Eve service so blessed. Music and light in the darkness remind us of the holiness of life.

Some of the Christmas decorations that graced the church are pictured elsewhere in the newsletter.

I am so grateful for the support and encouragement of the United Parish family.. You are such a grand bunch. And thank you for your kind Christmas gifts which you so graciously gave me. Thank you one and all.

Now, a word concerning the status of the Ukrainian refugee proposal. Bottineau Area Christian Ministerial Association is meeting Wednesday, January 4, to formalize the proposal and, if approved, it will be presented to all the churches and to the community. Keep posted.

A new year has arrived! May all of you and your families find deeper love, greater ways to share it and find your lives truly blessed with God's love in Jesus Christ.



Look For The Good

In the New Year, let's resolve
to get less stressed, upset, anxious
about things over which we have no control.

Lets have a narrower focus on our lives,
loving and helping our family and
friends,
making our community a better place to
live,
to create peace and contentment.

In the New Year, let's resolve
to pay less attention to depressing stories
on TV, in magazines and newspapers,
and to stop focusing on what we want
that we haven't got,
instead of appreciating
the many blessings we do have.

In the New Year, let's look for the good.
We may have to search
through a mass of negative media,
but the good is there,
all around us.

I wish for you a New Year filled with
good,
engulfed in serenity and happiness!

By Joanna Fuchs

The Ministerial Association uses
this fund to help those who are
need, extra food, a light bill, gas
to go to a doctor's appointment.,
etc.



Amount raised for
BACMA 2x
Blessed was 613.00

Poinsettia in
memory of Edwin
& LaVaughn Mar-
quardt from the
Marquardt Family,
in memory of Amity
Sjong, Daniel
Strech from Mae
Streich

From Kim & Gregg
Bernstein.poin

Birthdays for January

04 – Mary Elise McKay
05 – Haylie Moore
08 - Noel Sand
09 – Amy Sand
10 – Trevor Wettlaufer
11 – Lori Witteman
12 – Mark Gregg
19 – Brad Knudson
22 – Marie Faye Sand
25 – David Reinholz



Anniversaries
1 – Jim & Linda Berube
26 – Dennis & Evon
Gravseth





Thank you to Pat Kippen for her work in decorating the church for Christmas.

Thank to the ushers, Advent readers, Sunday School students and teachers for making the Sunday’s special. Also, those who help, served and bring for the potluck.

The crafters and quilters for the items they made and sold to provide for their missions.

Troop 528 sends a thank you for the use of the coffee pots for hot chocolate walk in December.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 Fellowship	2	3	4 7:00 Parish Council	5	6	7
8 9:00 Fellowship 9:00 Sun Sch 10:00 Worship	9 10:00 Quilters	10	11 12:00 UWIF	12	13	14
15 9:00 Fellowship 9:00 Sun Sch 10:00 Worship	16 10:00 Quilters 6:00 Happy Hearts Deadline for	17	18	19	20	21
22 9:00 Fellowship 9:00 Sun Sch 10:00 Worship	23 10:00 Quilters	24	25 Newsletter Deadline	26	27	28
29 9:00 UMC & UPC 9:00 Fellowship 9:00 Sun Sch 10:00 Worship Annual Meeting	30 10:00 Quilters	31				

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Newsletter News:

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Deadline for September is August 29

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Secretary - 228-8123

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**Please let the church know if you have a
e-mail address**

Pastor Hours are

Monday-8:30-12, 1-4:30

**Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-12, Afternoon
visitations**

Wednesday-8:30 -12



The United Methodist and Presbyterians will meet at 9:00 a.m.

The Annual Meeting will be held following worship services.