



Empire Church of the Brethren

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Every Sunday

Sunday School: 9:45 am
Informal Worship in Song: 10:45 am
Worship 11:00 am



Jackie Shumaker
Phil Franklin
David & Evy Hurlbut
The Qualls Family
Linda Vargo
Steve Rash

Those in care facilities:

Mary Raridan
Glenn Stanford
Phyllis Caudle



December 2024 Church Calendar	
<i>Fellowship Singers meets Thursdays at 4:15pm</i>	
Dec. 1	First Sunday in Advent
Dec. 3	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
Dec. 4	Food Delivery Day 8am
Dec. 6	All Church Friday Fellowship 11:30am
Dec. 7	Heaven's Bounty Open
Dec. 8	Second Sunday in Advent Council Meeting and Pizza Luncheon
Dec. 10	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon
Dec. 15	Third Sunday in Advent
Dec. 17	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon Women's Fellowship 1:00pm
Dec. 20	All Church Christmas Party 1pm
Dec. 22	Fourth Sunday in Advent All Church Christmas Coffee Hour
Dec. 24	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon Candle Light Service 6pm
Dec. 25	Merry Christmas!
Dec. 29	All Church Sunday Luncheon
Dec. 31	Emergency Food Pantry 9am-Noon New Year's Eve Party 3:00pm



Advent! Advent!
A candle burns.
First one, then two,
Then three, then four;
Then stands the
Christ Child
at the door.

December Birthdays

2 Gideon Winchester
6 Marilyn Snider
8 Kylie Welch
10 Donny Wyatt
22 Skip Powell
25 Jesus
27 Derek Wyatt
30 Richard Ward



December Anniversaries

17 Travis & Candice Sheldon

October 2024 STATISTICS

Average Worship

Attendance: **22**

Giving:

Local: \$4,410.00

Messenger: \$14.50

Other: \$3,350.00

Total: \$7,774.50

OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ADDRESSES:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EmpireCOB

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Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/empirechurchofthebrethren/>

Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.



2024 Monthly Prayer Calendar (praying each Sunday morning for Pastor John)			
Day	Pray for:	Day	Pray for:
1	Sarah Adams Gerald Allinson Alex & Cathy Arellano	16	Oscar Phan Jason & Kirsten Piazza & Family
2	Candice Arellano Molly Arellano Donna Ayres Elaine Azevedo	17	Skip & Kathleen Powell Jeff Price Jeremy/Erica Price & Fam
3	Ben & Jen Baker Ken Barklow Don & Pat Benton Wanda Bollinger	18	Joel/Susan Price & Fam John Price Jonah & Morgan Price
4	Pauline Bert Michael Best Earleen Cadruvi & Fam Ron Cadruvi & Fam	19	Nathan/Kim Price & Fam Wyatt Price Kay Qualls Mary Rariden
5	Phyllis Caudle Linda Carter & Ivy Ashley Cooksey & Fam	20	Mike & Laura Radcliffe & Family Charlotte Rice & Fam
6	Arlene Cupp Charlotte DeHart Chuck & Wendla Dyer & Family	21	Lana Royer Keith Shafer Vance & Maria Shafer Vern & Patty Shafer
7	Jim & Sue Eikenberry Zac Fear Pam/Phil Franklin & Fam	22	Troy/Joy Slaybaugh&Fam Marilyn Snider Tony/Laura Snyder &Fam
8	Kenny Fox Kerby & Heather Frantz Lyndall & Lois Frantz Lloyd Fullmer	23	Gayle Stanfill Glenn Stanford J.J. & Soleena Storne & Family
9	Jerry Goodman Thomas/Patricia Guthrie Clark Hartman Jack & Rosetta Hartsfield	24	Mark & Amber Syverson & Family Mike Syverson Natasha Towe
10	Ryan/Kelly Heiny & Fam David & Evelyn Hurlbut Kevin & Deborah Hurlbut & Family	25	Carolyn Trent John & Sue Vacca Jonathan Vacca Linda Vargo
11	Jay Irizarry Randy & Teri Johnson & Family Sheryle Knott & Fam	26	Tim & Catherine Vaughn & Family Roger & Cynthia Welch & Family
12	Mary Lou Lee Cheryl Leib Baji Lutes Norma Lutes	27	Earl Linda Ward & Family Josh & Heather Winchester & Fam
13	Seth Lutes Gerri Masellis Ric Mason Stacy Nelson	28	Derek Wyatt Don & Susan Wyatt Donny/Erica Wyatt&Fam Brad
14	Suzanne Neptune Kelly Olsson Clifford Parker	29	Churches in Pacific Southwest District Camp Peaceful Pines
15	Brad Parrish & Fam Tommie Parrish Daymon & Sarah Peterson & Family	30	Members of the Church Board Food Pantry Recipients
		31	Women's Fellowship

I Corinthians 13 (Christmas Version) from Moody Press

If I decorate my house perfectly with plaid bows, strands of twinkling lights and shiny balls, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen, baking dozens of Christmas cookies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautifully adorned table at mealtime, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another cook.

If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing home and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.

If I trim the spruce with shimmering angels and crocheted snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties and sing in the choir's cantata but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug the child. Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the husband. Love is kind, though harried and tired.

Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails.

Video games will break, pearl necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust; but the gift of **LOVE** will endure forever.

Isaiah 7:14

*Therefore the Lord Himself
will give you a sign: Behold,
the virgin shall conceive
and bear a Son,
and shall
call His name
Immanuel,
that is:*

