

# FBC NEWSLETTER

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*Preparing people for  
Wholeness in Jesus through  
The Word of God.  
Readying the remnant  
For the rapture.*

## Praying Against the Spiritual Evil For the Children of Our Communities

You Lord are our Hope!

There is no enemy who can thwart your plans.

In you we find peace, in you we know rest, and by your hand we are provided our daily bread, and by your word, we are guided down paths of righteousness.

Without you we stand condemned, with you we have a hope; for you Lord, are our Hope.

Every December a time of reflection comes to us as we remember your birth. 'For unto us a child was given, and his name shall be: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace': the Son of God who came to us in the flesh, and changed the world!

We pray Lord, that the significance of your birth, that the sacrifice of your life (the reason for your birth) would be made real to our children. May they come into the understanding of who you are (the way, the truth and the life) and may their hearts choose to follow you closely into the light and away from the darkness that has fallen over the world!

Lord, help them to believe the things of God, to learn the ways of God, to know the love of God and in that to make peace with God. We especially think Lord of those who attend public schools where the name of God is often banned or the name of Jesus is not to be spoken of.

When a person walks with you; talks with you, when they are in your word they then learn of the joy that can be theirs no matter what situation they may find themselves in. They will not believe the lies being told them and instead; seek out your truth!

Lord, may they learn of the plans that you have for each of them: plans not to harm them as men would by leading them away from you and stealing hope from them, or for prospering; not as men would; by material and physical things; but in setting their sights on things above; where an inheritance is waiting for them in heaven. May they taste the richness of a relationship with you Lord!

Lord, we ask that you would open doors and send out willing hearts who will share the wonders of your love to those who are being held captive in an environment where the things of God are considered evil, and the evil that is being pushed on them is considered good.

They need hope-may it be you that they find it in. Amen





## Rodney Levern Pettit

Rodney Levern Pettit, age 63 of Mound, passed away peacefully at home.

Survived by son, Ryan; parents, Glenn & Gladys; sisters, Marlene Davidson, & Margaret Arndorfer; brother, Russell Pettit.

Services are pending at this time.



## Susan Dawn Rynearson

Susan Dawn Rynearson, 82 of Hinckley, MN, peacefully passed to be with Christ December 1, 2025, at Elderwood Assisted Living of Hinckley.

Susan is survived by sons: David Hill (Julie) of Rathdrum, ID, Roy Hill (WaNell) of DeBorgia, MT, Robert Marsh of Valdosta, GA, Patrick Marsh (Winona) of Greencastle, PA, and Nathan Marsh (Elizabeth) of Frost, MN. She is survived by siblings Danny Rynearson (Jaclyn) of Winnebago, MN, Debra Perry (Paul) of Pine Island, MN, and Jill Rynearson of Pine Island, MN. Susan is the blessed grandmother of 18 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren with 2 more on the way! She is preceded in death by her parents Ellsworth "Hap" & Pearl Rynearson of Winnebago, MN, brother David Rynearson, (Loretta) of Winnebago, MN, and Daughter-in-Law Renee Marsh (Patrick).

Susan was born June 22, 1943, in Winnebago, MN. She graduated from Huntley Community School in 1961. Susan attended Fairmont Community College and Mankato State University for her profession in social work and as a certified Home Health Aid. She is a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church of Hinckley, MN.





## Giving Because He Gave

Is your family in need this Christmas?

Because Jesus loves you,  
we want to share that love  
with your family – bringing  
a little joy and hope to  
your world this Christmas

if you would like to donate, give or  
serve please see Makayla, Chelse,  
Cameron or Carolyn

Come Fill a Christmas Bag  
Sunday December 14<sup>th</sup>  
from 3 PM – 5 PM

(toys, personal care products, books)

If anyone would like to sing or  
Play a special Christmas song this  
Christmas Eve Service, please  
contact Makayla



### Advent Week 2 The Candle of Peace

#### Scriptures to Read:

Isaiah 9:6, Luke 2:14, Matthew 1:23, Philippians 2:8  
-10, 1 Timothy 1:15-17, John 3:16, 1 John  
5:11, Jeremiah 29:11, Romans 8:34-35, John 14:27

### December Birthdays

01 -- Cathy Lunbery  
02 -- Kylyn Morrison  
11 -- Derek Michaelis  
14 -- Tyler Nepp  
16 -- Beckham Sebesta  
20 -- Trenton Jorgensen  
23 -- Douglas Jenkins  
24 -- Debbie Herrmann  
26 -- Addison Cyphers

### Fellowship Hall Servers

07 - NO Potluck  
14 - Doug & Cari  
21 - Jesus' Birthday  
28 - All Share

*His Name shall be called:*  
**Wonderful Counselor**  
**MIGHTY GOD**  
*Everlasting Father*  
*Prince of Peace*

Isaiah 9:6



## Emmanuel

Genesis Classical Academy  
PreK - Grade 12 Christmas Concert  
Thursday, December 18th, 2025

Prelude Music 6:10 pm  
Concert 6:30 pm  
132 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE, Winnebago, MN

*Doors open at 5:45 pm for our  
Fabulous Bake Sale!*

### December Anniversaries

16 -- John & Elizabeth Schavey 1995  
20 -- Travis & Rebekah Cyphers  
23 -- Mitch and Laurie Jenkins 1997

### Upcoming Events

07 - Communion Sunday/NO POTLUCK  
09 - CED Team Meeting @ 7 pm  
10 - Bible Study at FBC @ 7 pm  
14 - Time for Prayer during fellowship  
16 - Spiritual Ministry Team Meeting @ 7 pm  
17 - Bible Study at FBC @ 7 pm  
18 - Women's Bible Study @ 6 pm  
20 - Men's Breakfast at FBC @ 8:30 am  
21 - FBC Women's Meeting during fellowship  
24 - Candlelight Service @ 5 pm  
    - NO Bible Study  
25 - Christmas Day  
28 - Medical Missions  
    - NO Movie Night  
30 - Newsletter Deadline  
31 - NO Bible Study

# Pastor's Pen

I thought I would share a devotional that touched my heart recently. I used to journal as a young man, and now – it is usually when I am facing some trouble and need to get my thoughts out on paper so I can pray over them and see what the Lord is trying to tell me. So, when I ran across the title of this devotional, it caused me to stop and think over my life and the opportunities God gave me over the years. I pray and hope it does the same for you.

## **The Journal of a Misspent Life**

Jesus answered, "The light will be with you for only a little longer. Walk in the light while you can. Then you won't be caught walking blindly in the dark." (John 12:35, CEV).

As followers of Jesus we are a people who live not only in the past, but also in the future. However, this only works if we can incorporate both into our lives now and live purposefully in the present — by walking in the light while we can.

Yes, we look back to the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, and follow the story all the way to the Cross — when mankind was ransomed by the Son of God, who rose from the dead and ascended into heaven. And we look to the future when our King will return and abolish all injustice, all wrongdoing of any kind, and every form of evil. Righteousness will reign and peace will cover the earth.

But, our grand view of the past and our glorious vision for the future must define us as we live purposefully in the present. We must walk in the light — while we can.

Some live only and always in the past with a nostalgic affection for things as they were, but can never be again. Others wistfully long for that which is yet to come, so captivated with their preoccupation of the golden streets of glory they never actually even once walk the dusty streets of earth — you know, the highways and the byways where so many are wandering without a Savior.

What this world needs now more than anything is a light that shines in the darkness — someone whose faith, hope and love illuminate their sphere of influence. Someone who, because they look back and have an unshakable faith; and, because they look forward and have an unending hope; they now live purposely in the present with an unfailing love.

The simple and unalterable fact of the matter is that a thousand years from now in either direction is what it is — what matters most is right now. What will you do in this present moment of historic opportunities? Will you walk in the light while you can?

The bookends which frame in the library of our lives are magnificently epic, beautiful beyond belief. Wouldn't it be a shame if the only thing we placed on the bookshelf of history between these two bookends was the journal of a misspent life?

Let us mark well the words of Jesus, "The light will be with you for only a little longer. Walk in the light while you can. Then you won't be caught walking blindly in the dark." (John 12:35, CEV).

Much Love and Prayer,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Dan". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

# Spiritual Ministry Letter

By Mitch Jenkins

The entrance ramp to the road of Christianity is narrow, as is the road itself.

Belief in the Lord Jesus Christ, faith alone in Christ alone, there is no other way.

John 14:6 "I am the way the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father but by me."

Fortunately for us, the road has well defined shoulders. As outlined in the pages of the Bible. The longer we can stay between the lines fixing our eyes on the road ahead, the greater our spiritual advance. Resulting in improved inner happiness, contentment and faith in God's plan for us.

We often veer off the road. Seduced by the siren songs of the devil's world. As well as our own lusts and arrogance, and fall into the muck and mire of the ditch of carnality. Once there, we are going nowhere. We end up spinning our wheels in a frantic search for happiness.

All is not lost. For when we come to our senses, humble ourselves and name our sins before God the Father, we will be forgiven.

1 John 1:9 "confess your sins and He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Jesus Christ has already endured the punishment for those sins, God is free to forgive us. Recover us from the ditch and put us back on the road of His righteousness and resuming our relationship with Him. Then, we are to advance up the road, not dwelling in guilt of our past visits to the ditch.

Philippians 3:13,14 "Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet, but one thing I do: forgetting what which lies behind and pressing forward to what lies ahead! I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Jesus Christ."

The only enduring happiness is found on God's highway, not the "my way highway", which is only a ditch of desperation.

