

Loving God
Loving One Another
Living the Mission



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Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

\$6,660

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to support gospel transformation
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Love God

"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the great and foremost commandment." *(Jesus)*
Matthew 22:37-38

Love One Another

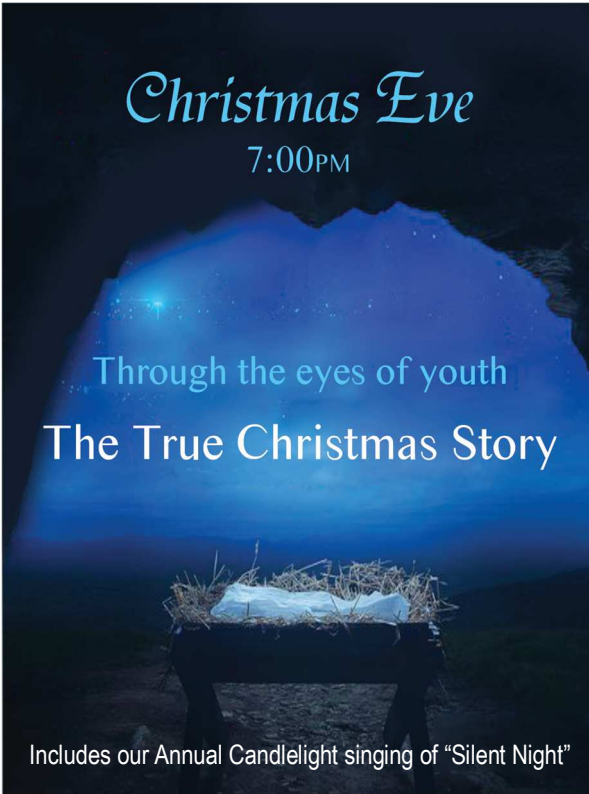
"The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" *(Jesus)*
Matthew 22:39

Live the Mission

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." *(Jesus)*
Matthew 22:18-20

Christmas Eve
7:00PM

Through the eyes of youth
The True Christmas Story



Includes our Annual Candlelight singing of "Silent Night"



Congratulations
Jesse and Morgan Skipper!
Abel Joseph Skipper
arrived December 12
8 pounds, 12 ounces
21.5 inches

LOVE
came
down



CPF Calendar

Sunday, December 15

9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups)

Wednesday, December 18

7:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

Thursday, December 19

9:30 am Prayer Circle (see back)
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

Sunday, December 22

9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups)

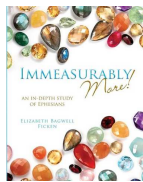
Tuesday, December 24

7:00 pm Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday, December 25 *Christmas Day*



A New Ladies' Bible Study is coming in 2025



Do you want your walk with Christ to be more intimate, more faithful, and more obedient? God is able to do *immeasurably more* than you can imagine through His power in your life!

Immeasurable More! by Elizabeth Bagwell Ficken is a 12-week study which will begin **Wednesday, January 8**. You're welcome to join us at 9:00 for Fellowship before the 9:30-11:00 study. Please order your book online (it's readily available on Amazon, where you can find more information on this study). Contact Sue DeForest or the office if you have questions.

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Children's Church (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader/Contact	Location
Sun	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Romans</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	Women— <i>1 John</i>	Lois Ann Swineford	Room 1
	10:30 am	<i>How Then Shall We Live?</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Hebrews</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:00 am	Women— <i>Relational Apologetics</i>	Sue DeForest	Room 1
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (<i>Hope Seeds</i> follows)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..

Several other groups, including Ministry Teams, meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**. Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.

GIVING INFORMATION:

Our Donation Buckets are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**, available from your mobile app store. You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

Giving Note: The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/ governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..



Christmas Gifts

12/15/24

1 Peter 3:14-4:19

¹⁴ ...even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness,
you are blessed.

And do not fear their intimidation, and do not be troubled,
¹⁵but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts,
always *being* ready to make a defense
to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you,
yet with gentleness and reverence;

¹⁶and keep a good conscience
so that
in the thing in which you are slandered,
those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

¹⁷For it is better,
if God should will it so,
that you suffer for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong.

¹⁸For Christ also died for sins
once for all,
the just for *the* unjust,
in order that He might bring us to God,
having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit;...

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Therefore,
since Christ has suffered in the flesh,
arm yourselves also with the same purpose,
because he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin,

²so as to live the rest of the time in the flesh
no longer for the lusts of men,
but for the will of God.

³For the time already past is sufficient *for you*
to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles,
having pursued a course of
sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousals, drinking parties
and abominable idolatries.

⁴And in *all* this, they are surprised that you do not run with *them*
into the same excess of dissipation,
and they malign *you*;

⁵but they shall give account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

⁶For the gospel has for this purpose been preached
even to those who are dead,
that
though they are judged in the flesh as men,
they may live in the spirit according to *the will of God*.

⁷The end of all things is at hand;
therefore, be of sound judgment and sober *spirit*
for the purpose of prayer.

⁸Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another,
because love covers a multitude of sins.

⁹Be hospitable to one another
without complaint.

¹⁰As each one has received a *special* gift,
employ it in serving one another,
as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

¹¹Whoever speaks, *let him speak*, as it were, the utterances of God;
whoever serves, *let him do so* as by the strength which God supplies;
so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ,
to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you,
which comes upon you for your testing,
as though some strange thing were happening to you;

¹³but
to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ,
keep on rejoicing;
so that also at the revelation of His glory, you may rejoice with exultation.

¹⁴If you are reviled for the name of Christ,
you are blessed,
because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

¹⁵By no means let any of you suffer as
a murderer, or thief, or evildoer, or a troublesome meddler;

¹⁶but
if *anyone suffers* as a Christian,
let him not feel ashamed,
but in that name let him glorify God.

¹⁷For *it is* time for judgment to begin with the household of God;
and
if *it begins* with us first,
what *will be* the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God?

¹⁸And
if it is with difficulty that the righteous is saved,
what will become of the godless man and the sinner?

¹⁹Therefore, let those also who suffer according to the will of God
entrust their souls to a faithful Creator in doing what is right.

5:1 Therefore,

I exhort the elders among you,
as *your* fellow elder
and witness of the sufferings of Christ,
and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed,
²shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight
not under compulsion, but voluntarily,
according to *the will of* God;
and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness;
³nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge,
but proving to be examples to the flock.

⁴And
when the Chief Shepherd appears,
you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

⁵You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders;
and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another,
for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God,
that He may exalt you at the proper time,

⁷casting all your anxiety upon Him, because He cares for you.

All scripture is from the NASV. 1 Peter is in the form of a phrase by phrase break down. The words and word order have not been changed.