



February 2020

# Sharing the Good News by Pastor Jena

*Where does the time go? It's hard to imagine that it's 2020! We just celebrated Christmas, welcomed a new year, celebrated Epiphany and Baptism of the Lord. What a whirlwind of activities.*

*When I was a kid, 2020 seemed so far off! It was presented as a goal or the year that would be different. Think ahead and see where you want to be. See how things will be different.*

*Everything would be automated, life would be so relaxed and peaceful. We would be jetting around in automated vehicles or flying saucers. Everything would be happening in an instant; meals, laundry, education, work.*

*Well, now that 2020 is here, what's different? What's different about your life? What's different about you? What's different about your church? What's different about your faith?*

*At the beginning of a new year, people talk about goals. Some want to lose weight. Some want to pay off bills. Some want more peace in their lives. Some want a new job or want to retire from the workforce completely.*

*As a Christian, what are your goals? What do you plan to do to be more connected to God? Would you like to be involved in a Bible Study? How much time could you commit to that? What are your plans to be more connected to others in your church? What would you like to do to serve others? Is there a need in our community that is not being met? How can our church care for that need?*

*If a new year makes you think about a new you, then what is it you would like to change? We can always be better at something. Would love to hear your plans for 2020. I hope and pray that you want to be better for the Kingdom of God right here and right now. Be the best version of you today!*

*Thank you for all of the hard work that you've done to move our church forward in 2019. I'm here to listen and to help you in any way that I can. I am here to help you make a plan to be more engaged in the scriptures and deepen your relationship with God. I'm here to love on you and to care for your spirit. Let's get together and plan for the best year yet!*

*May God continue to love on you. May Jesus Christ empower you in all that you do. May the Holy Spirit inspire you to move your world. May 2020 be the year that you change your world and the world around you.*

*In His Service,  
Jena*

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#### NOTE:

**We're trying to get all available e-mail addresses into our computer! Please send yours to the church so we can get you in our contact list!!!**

# UP COMING NEWS

## Anthony's New Worship Time and Day

January—March, Sunday at 9am

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### Sunday School Class

Will continue being at 10:15 thru March

### Confirmation Class

On Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30pm

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### February 2

**Soup-er Bowl Sunday** following our 9am worship service.

Come join us! Great food and wonderful fellowship!

See who will take home the trophy this year!

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### February 14



### February 26

Ash Wednesday

Service time is to be determined. Check our website and flyer at the church for updates



**Special Prayer Needs:**

Our service men and women, our church, Bishop Laurie Haller, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Jeff and Jamie Griebel, Cal & Joyce Gothier, Tracy Lewis, Bobby Lewis, Kenny Anderson, Lyle Schram, Joe Harbaugh, Barb Madsen, Steve Diamond, Keith Miller, Ralph Diamond, Wally Duncan, Anita Cooch, Nina Osborne, Beulah Sand, Ernestine Steinhoff, Jeanette Heinse, Jerry Klindt, Ruth Cook, Betty Ashley, Joan Nixon, Cindy Herrick, Brittany Miller, Road Crews, Family of Ella and Beck Holtzen.

**Be A Part:** If you would like to be part of the prayer support for our church, send us your name and email to be added to the email list of pray-ers.



**Tithes and Offerings**

Jan. 2 \$ 1,407.00      Jan. 5 \$ 1,148.00  
Jan. 12 \$ 1,181.00



**Let us make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

ANTHON FINANCE & BOARD MINUTES  
JANUARY 13, 2020

The Finance meeting was called to order by Marilyn Hladik who read us a devotional entitled "Unconditional Surrender". Pastor led us in prayer. There were 9 members present: Roger & Marilyn Hladik, Lloyd & Jody Parker, Deanna Adler, Andrea Mitchell, Shirley Nelson, Eileen Klindt and Pastor Jena. Marilyn reported that the 2019 apportionments were paid in full and that we currently have a balance of \$26,378.80 in the checking account. Shirley made a motion to pay \$1000 in apportionments for January. Andrea seconded the motion and it carried. Marilyn moved to amend the motion to \$900 for the apportionment payment. Roger seconded the motion and it carried.

**BOARD MEETING:** Jody opened the Board Meeting and volunteered to do the devotional for our February meeting.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** Pastor reminded us that the Statistical Report is due in February. A partial review of the Protocol of Reconciliation and Grace through Separation was given by Pastor. It was reported that we are having problems with our computer system and that we currently do not have any virus protection for our software. Discussion was held regarding the purchase of a new system. It was decided to ask Becky if she would be on a committee to assess our needs and report back to the board. Deanna Adler agreed to assist her.

**TRUSTEES' REPORT:** Lloyd reported that batteries had been replaced in our door lock. Keith Parker has been contacted to build a ramp at the parsonage to make it handicap accessible. He is checking on the necessary specifications for the ramp.

**TEACHING REPORT:** Sunday School children adjusted well to the time changes. We have a core group of 4 children attending Sunday School.

**OUTREACH REPORT:** None.

**WORSHIP REPORT:** After church Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, the congregation will be taking down Christmas decorations.

**NURTURING REPORT:** None.

**PPRC REPORT:** There will be a meeting Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the church with Ron attending.

**UMW:** No meetings until March.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Shirley reported that all the turkeys and croutons have been purchased for next year's Turkey dinner. Cranberries have yet to be bought—waiting for the price to come down. Shirley hopes to shop for chairs this next month.

The next meeting will be February 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Roger moved to adjourn the meeting. Marilyn seconded the motion and it carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Eileen Klindt, Treasurer

# February 2020

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

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<b>2</b> Soup-er Bowl Worship Service @ 9am w/ communion Sunday School @ 10:15 am	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Office hours from 11 to 1 Confirmation Class 5:30-7:30pm No UMW	<b>6</b> Cancer Support Group @ 4pm	<b>7</b> Office hours from 11 to 1 AA 8:00 PM	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> Worship at 9am Sunday School @ 10:15 am	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Office hours from 11:00 to 1 Confirmation Class 5:30-7:30pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Office hours from 11 to 1 AA 8:00 PM <b>Valentine's Day</b> 	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> Worship at 9am Sunday School @ 10:15 am	<b>17</b> Finance/Board Meeting at 7pm President's Day 	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> FOCUS ITEMS DUE Office hours from 11:00 to 1 Confirmation Class 5:30-7:30pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Office hours from 11 to 1 AA 8:00 PM	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> Worship at 9am Sunday School @ 10:15 am	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Office hours from 11:00 to 1 Confirmation Class 5:30-7:30pm Ash Wednesday (time to be determined)	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Office hours from 11 to 1      AA 8:00 PM Fish Fry @ Mapleton Community Center Serving 5-7	<b>29</b>

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### February Responsibilities

#### Ministry of Ushers

Feb 2	Klindt Family
Feb 9	Adler Family
Feb 16	Hladik Family
Feb 23	Jerry & Shelley Boggs
Mar 1	Jeff & Tara Hill

#### Ministry of Greeters

Feb 2	Klindt Family
Feb 9	Adler Family
Feb 16	Hladik Family
Feb 23	Jerry & Shelley Boggs
Mar 1	Jeff & Tara Hill

#### Ministry of Readers

Feb 2	Andrea Mitchell
Feb 9	Marilyn Hladik
Feb 16	Penny Rosso
Feb 23	Eileen Klindt
Mar 1	Connie Ashley

#### Children's Sermon

Feb 2	Penny Rosso
Feb 9	Connie Ashley
Feb 16	Pastor
Feb 23	Shirley Nelson
Mar 1	Pastor

#### Birthdays and Anniversaries

Bill Redenius	4
Mary Hill	6
Jim Trimpe	8
Caitlyn Redenius	12
Nancy Seuntjens	16
Judd Hoy	19
Dawson Zahnley	19
Tim & Jennifer Hoy	22
David Zahnley	26
Alex Pulford	27
Tim Hoy	29

**February Cleaning:** Nurture