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## Sympathy

To Phil Justice in the death of his mother, Opal Justice, who died earlier this week. Phil and Loraine will be in Ohio for services.

Also to W. R. Sanders and family in the death of his sister-in-law, Linda Sanders.

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## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Jamie Hagood who was recently named to the National Honor Society at Paducah Tilghman High School.

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## Thank You

Thanks to everyone who helped make the Advent workshop a big success. Nineteen kids enjoyed crafts, snacks, and great fellowship.—*Billy Lanier*

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## Christian Women's Fellowship News

The CWF general meeting will be Dec. 7. with a potluck luncheon, program and meeting. The children from the FCC preschool will provide a musical program. Meat, rolls and dessert will be provided, so please bring a favorite side dish or salad.

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## This Week's Prayer Concerns

**George Lankton**, 272 Old Orchard Rd.

**Jack Chapman**, Parkview Nursing

**Rupert Stivers**, 256 Maxfield Dr.

**Pat Cownie**, 7040 Contest Rd.

**Vicki Strickland**, Fulton, KY

**Tom & Mary Nell Mathues**, Gilbertsville

**Alice Weber**, Medco Nursing Home

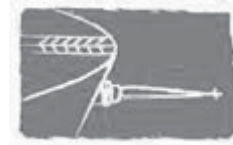
**Lynda Lyles**, daughter of Everett & Jeane Lyles

**LeRoy Borgerding**, Jackson Oaks



*Sign-up this week at the foyer table if you wish to purchase a poinsettia*

*(\$15) in memory or honor of a loved one. The living poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary for the last week of Advent on Sunday, Dec. 20, and may be picked up after the Christmas Eve Service.*



# The Tower

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## Serving Schedule

### Dec. 6

**Elders:** Kay Henry

**Deacons:** Jason McHaney, John James, William Foreman, Pat Cownie, Gina Floyd, Georgia Boyd, Robin & Ken Bradshaw

**Liturgist:** Ann Denton

**Ushers:** Ed Menaugh & Terri Nelson

**Greeters:** Evan & Brooke Elrod

**Acolyte:** Bailey Gottman

**Communion Clean-Up:** Robin & Ken Bradshaw

**Reach Out Communion:** Rupert Stivers & Steve Tilley; Glenda Distler & Mary Faith Gooch

**Time for Children:** Sunday School Rotation

**Elder on Call:** Justin Trewolla

• **Communion Preparation:** Cathy Warmack & Judy Shoulders

• **Pew Pad Pick-Up:** Larry Furmann & Billy Lanier

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## This week's calendar

**5** 2:00 p.m. – CWF Tour of Homes

**6** 8:30 a.m. – Contemporary Service

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:15 a.m. – Fellowship Time; Seekers'

Sunday School Class hosting

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship

4:00 p.m. – Advent Carols Program

**7** 10:00 a.m. – CWF General Meeting; church parlor

12:00 p.m. – Blood Drive

**8** 5:30 p.m. – Staff Christmas Party

**9** 4:00 p.m. – Kids Groups

6:30 p.m. – Youth Groups

6:30 p.m. – Tinsel Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. – Praise Group

**10** 6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. – Fannie Jones Group; host – Jo James

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## Attendance for November 29—171

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# TOWER *this week*

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## Advent Events at FCC

### CWF Christmas Tour of Homes

**December 5 • 2-4 p.m.**

Homes on the tour this year are Susan Carr, 340 Rosebower Church Rd. and Nancy Huffstutter, 1820 Creekview Dr., both houses are in the Reidland area. Tickets will be available at the homes the day of the tour.



### Advent Carols Program

*Presented by the choirs of First  
Christian Church and St. Thomas  
More Catholic Church.*

“Savior of the Nations, Come”  
written by Michael Burkhardt.

Featuring old and new carols of the season intertwined with the poetry of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Sunday, Dec. 6 at 4:00 p.m. in the First Christian Church sanctuary.

### Sermon Series Tangled in the Tinsel

- Dec. 6 - *Shop Til You Drop*
- Dec. 13 - *(Un)Expected Company*
- Dec. 20 - *Life Interrupted*
- Dec. 24 - *Feeling Detached*
- Dec. 27 - *The Aftermath*



## Food for Christmas Break

At one of the Wednesday evening dinners this fall we learned about the need for “snack bags” for some of the children at McNabb elementary. Our congregation rose in a magnificent way and supplied enough food for some 84 children to take home to provide extra nutrition during their fall break. Because the need still exists we’re going to repeat the program for Christmas break. School breaks provide a different challenge. Billy Lanier and Mary Boaz are organizing a food drive at FCC to gather food for children to take home for the week-long break. Donated food is needed before **Wednesday, December 16.**

The snacks gathered need to be non-perishable’s—nutritious but delicious, no cooking (except for microwave), include a drink (juice, capri sun, etc.) and be placed in individual bags (plastic grocery) ready for distribution.

McNabb Elementary has over 400 students with 90 percent receiving free school lunch. Remember, there is no free lunch on winter break!

## How you can help locally this Christmas

This year we are using a special gift of \$1500 as seed money to “adopt” five families registered with the Family Service Society with Christmas gifts and household necessities. If you want to participate in this Advent outreach opportunity check with one of the Sunday School class leaders.

## PCM Pantry Report

During December, Paducah Cooperative Ministry has asked us to collect any variety of *canned soup*. Our goal is 500 units.

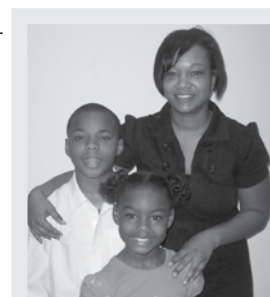
## Couple’s Enrichment Group meets this Friday

The Couple’s Enrichment Group will meet this Friday, Dec. 4, at the church from 7-8:30 p.m.. We are using a new curriculum, “Making Love Last a Lifetime: Biblical Perspectives on Love, Marriage, and Sex.” The meeting starts with a video presentation followed by a guided discussion This month’s topic is “what women wish men knew.” The purpose of the group is to provide a nurturing environment for couples to improve or reinforce positive communication skills in their relationships.

All couples (married or unmarried) are invited to attend Invite your friends who might enjoy the fellowship we find at these meetings. The group is open to the public. Childcare is provided but please contact the church office to let them know if you need it.

## Welcome New Members!

Tanika Holmes and her two children Freddie and Tia joined First Christian on November 22.



**Come. See. Discover. Discover the Disciples!**