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PASTOR'S Pen

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. Welcome to 2020. It took me a few minutes to realize that it is 2020 where have these twenty years gone? As we begin this new year, we are reminded of new beginnings and the new opportunities. The old has passed away and the new has begun. In the book of Isaiah 10, it talks about only a remnant of Israel will be left. Isaiah 10:33-34 says, Look, the Sovereign, the Lord of hosts, will lop the boughs with terrifying power; the tallest trees will be cut down, and the lofty will be brought low. He will hack down the thickets of the forest. But in the midst of this desolation and destruction where the old is gone and there is nothing left except stumps and dirt there is still hope. Isaiah 11:1 tells of this new hope, it says, a shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse and a branch shall grow out of the roots. In the midst of all those things passing away. With that little shoot there is new hope, that single shoot that comes out of the stump changes everything. Jesse was the Father of David which is the family line that Jesus was born from. We remember that with this new year comes new hope in Jesus Christ. We have a new beginning and a new hope! I pray that you have a great New Year!

Pastor Joey

Soul sisters

The next gathering of the Soul Sisters will be held at 10am on Friday, January 31st. A day of “spa & beauty” will be brought to the ladies by Melinda Dykema, in her home. Coffee and doughnuts will be served. Melinda’s address is 1630 Superior Avenue, Savanna. Please call her with any questions 815-565-7085.



Many, many thanks to all involved in the Children’s Christmas Program. We heard so many amazing reviews of this years “funny”, “delightful”, “exciting”, to name a few, show! The volunteers who give so much of themselves each and every week are who make this possible. A special thanks to Hannah for her beautiful vocal stylings. To Brennon for his fabulous gift on the saxophone. All the children who work so hard to learn their lines and focus on the gift they are giving their congregation...We thank you!!

Until next years show...

Card – Making Ministry for Kids!

We are going to start a card-making ministry. All children & parents are invited to stay for lunch after worship on Sunday, January 26th. We will have a bite to eat and then we will make Valentine's to send to our shut-ins.

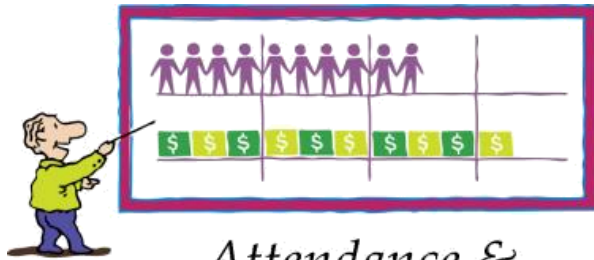
Everything, including lunch, will be provided!! Donations of postage stamps would be appreciated. Any questions, contact Molly Andersen at 815-273-2104.



Recently Midwest Distribution Center brought their trailer to northern Illinois and we took 5 bags of items over for the personal hygiene kits. We also were able to provide blankets, sleepers, diapers, school bags and clothing! Thank you to everyone who helped in any way. It truly was a blessing to send such a variety of things !

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Women with a heart for service

Date	Income
Nov. 24	\$ 1,464.00
Dec. 1	\$ 2,993.00
Dec. 8	\$ 1,810.00
Dec. 15	\$ 1,541.00
Total Income	\$ 7,808.00



Attendance & Financials

Attendance

Week	Sun.	Sunday School
Nov. 24	44	21
Dec. 1	56	29
Dec. 8	74	
Dec. 15	82	
Avg.	64	

In Our Prayers

Evelyn Smith, Glen Brunner, Suzie Berg,
 John Hamm, Cindy, Don Hughes, Harper Grace,
 Burt Dauphin, Judy Orn, Libby Thulen, Lance Wallace,
 Robin Cook, Kris Yingling, Austin Wilkins,
 Rylynn Clementson, Jodi Bausman, Robert Haas,
 Military Personnel and their families



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- 3 Scott Law
- 4 Ben Pratt
- 7 John Irons, Kaitlyn Cook,
David Weber
- 8 Colin Reitemeier, Heather
Hensley, Mary Irons
- 12 Amber Kerkove
- 13 *Greg & Susan Michelle
Jepsen*
- 15 Linda Stubbe
- 16 Krista DeLeeuw
- 19 Mark Rathje
- 20 Linda Yenney
- 21 Amber Stott
- 23 Jean Sammeth,

- 24 Joe Fosdick, Joy Turner
- 26 Hayley Guilinger
- 27 Abby Michels
- 28 William Haas
- 29 Wayne White, Dalton Shaw
- 30 Sandy Froehlich
- 31 Rhonda Law

ANNOUNCEMENTS

These long, cold winter months are very difficult for those who are hungry. Please remember your donations to the Savanna Food Pantry to help make these cold months easier to survive.

“I have the audacity to believe that people everywhere can have 3 meals a day...”

~Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.



A huge thanks to our volunteers who manned The Savanna Food Pantry on December 24th and 26th.

First United Methodist Church of Savanna, Illinois

January 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Happy New Year! Office Closed	2 9am- Bible Study 9am- Body & Soul Yoga Office Closed	3	4 8:30am- Weight Watchers
5 9:00am- Sunday School 10:15am- Worship	6 9am- Body & Soul Yoga Office Hours Resume	7	8	9 9am-Bible Study 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	10	11 8:30am- Weight Watchers
12 9am- Sunday School 10:15am- Worship	13 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	14	15	16 9am-Bible Study 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	17	18 8:30am- Weight Watchers
19 8am- Trustees 9am- Sunday School 10:15am- Worship 11:30am- Ad Coun- cil	20 TELSTAR DEAD- LINE 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	21	22	23 9am- Bible Study 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	24	25 8:30am- Weight Watchers
26 9am- Sunday School 10:15am- Worship Kids Card Ministry after worship	27 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	28	29	30 9am- Bible Study 9am- Body & Soul Yoga	31 10am- Soul Sisters gather- ing at Melinda Dykema home	



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