

Sunday, December 24, 2023

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Mankind Was My Business

by Doug Kashorek

In the pharmacy recently, I saw an all too familiar scene: an older man in shabby attire with possessions in the over-stuffed pockets of his coat, mumbling to two patient clerks the age of a daughter and granddaughter. For his part, he kept the conversation appropriate and for theirs, as women are so apt to do, they were kind and understanding towards this very lonely man.

Filling basic physical and emotional needs of our fellow man has always been a struggle but perhaps more so now because of the isolation of a lingering pandemic and the withdrawing of younger generations into their devices. It was so in England 180 years ago this past week when Charles Dickens published A Christmas Carol that is still making its way into our culture today.

In it, we meet the iconic miser Scrooge, who is visited by the ghost of his dead partner, wearing a ponderous chain that he had forged in life by his own miserly ways. Hoping to justify his own selfish attitude, Scrooge tries to point out a good quality of Marley by saying he'd always been "a good man of business," to which Marley exclaims, "Mankind was my business. The common welfare was my business; charity, mercy, forbearance, and benevolence were all my business."

This spiritual truth is one reason why this classic has endured almost two centuries later ... because it is especially every Christian's business as well. Like Scrooge, we are dragged to the window of our world to see the poor, sick, and orphaned in their distress. Needs are everywhere, and like Scrooge, we, who are caught up a little too much in our own interests instead of the plight of our fellow man, are given an opportunity to meet them.

God gives us time and opportunity to repent before we face certain judgment. We may not be confronted with a tombstone with our name on it like Scrooge was, but God's Word confronts us with our mortality and deficiencies. What can we do in the time He's given us? How can you make mankind your business?

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DEACONS

Randy Craig John Eckhart John Garner Chuck Jones Jerry Lemley Dan Mincks Jim Taylor

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class 9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday
Bible Class
1:00PM and 7:00PM

FACEBOOK

36th Street Church of Christ (Public Page)

36th Street Church of Christ Members

our prayer list

John Lamp Elsie Smith Rhett Steckly Don Ogden Jody Boone Larry Gibson



Mary Rose Talbott (Liz Hardman's mother)

John Michael Eckhart (John/Shirley's grandson)

Steve Wilson (friend of the Hoover & Hill families)

Our Long Term Care Residents:

(full addresses on foyer bulletin board) **Betty Armstrong**– *The Pines at Glenwood Apt 124* **Lola Hitzel** *Rockland Ridge room 301*

Eva Leonhart Eagle Point Room 105-B

Peggy Smith - Altercare of Summit Acres Apt 308

<u>Homebound:</u> Betty Logan, Helen Sweeney, and Martha Nulter



Birthday and Anniversary

12/29—Sharon Nonamaker birthday
12/30—Charles Doyle birthday

Thank you

Thank you for all the cards, texts, and prayers while I was sick. I really appreciate them! —Dan Mincks

I want to thank all those who checked on me while I was out sick with COVID. I also want to thank Karen Kibble for always stepping in at the last minute to help fill in for me when needed. —Krista Maze

A wish for peace and happiness at Christmas and throughout the New Year

NEWS

News and Centennial

- The deadline for our rough draft is 1/11, and the book is coming together very well. Working together for the writing and technical sides of this, Doug and Karen are busy identifying where the holes for details or pictures to include may be found. Before March 1st you may be asked to help us to revise or edit a section, page, paragraph ... or family tree so we can produce the most wonderful and accurate depiction of the incredible 100-year story of our church in Vienna.
- Anyone have any pictures from past Ladies Days, Families in Focus, Kidfest, WinterFest and CYC? If so, please get in touch with Doug so that he can include these in the book.
- Please note that we will do clothing orders again in the spring.
- We only plan to print 200 copies of our 100-page centennial book. You may pre-order now & receive a certificate of sale. However, sales will remain open until the celebration in May.
- Our next Committee meeting will be January 11th. After that date we will start meeting monthly.

Would you like to send a card?



- Dec 31 (Sun)—Love and Care Services @ 2:30PM
- O Dec 31 (Sun)—MOV Traveling Youth meet at Barlow-Vincent Church of Christ @ 5PM
- **②** Jan 4 (Thurs)—Love and Care Services @ 7PM
- Jan 8 (Mon)—Leadership Meeting @ 7PM in MPR
- **②** Jan 11 (Thurs)—Centennial Meeting @ 7PM in MPR
- Jan 13 (Sat)—Saturday Breakfast at Craker Barrell @ 9AM

The Elders are asking that if you need to borrow items from the kitchen, please make sure to sign them out when you take them, and return them in a timely manner. A new sign out sheet has been placed on the kitchen door to help with this. Thank you for your cooperation.

We are still accepting coats, gloves, boots, hats, scarves, blankets and heavier socks for the cold weather. Please place the items in the totes in foyer



As we begin our 100th year in 2024, let's dedicate ourselves to prayer during the coming year: on ...

Sundays—pray for the assembling church & its

Mondays—worship our Master who makes all possible

Tuesdays—lift up all teachers of His Word

Wednesdays—wisdom & work of our leaders

Thursdays—help for our youth & growth

Fridays—our fervor & influence for the gospel

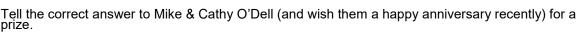
Saturdays—lift up our ministries & tools that serve



According to Isaiah 9:6, what name is **NOT** given to the child to be born?

- Wonderful Counselor
- B. Mighty God
- **Father Christmas**
- Prince of Peace D.

prize.



Hey moms, dads, grandparents and KIDS! There is a new activity packet for school-age or younger children in the foyer on the first Sunday of every month.

Sunday, December 24, 2023 10:30 AM

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Song

Song Leader: Jay Houser

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Jim Shuman

Song After Prayer

Song Before Communion

Table Speaker: Duane Smith

Scripture Reading: Jeff DePuy

Isaiah 9:6-7

Speaker: Doug Kashorek "For to Us A Child Is Born"

Invitation Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Terry Garner

6:00 PM SERVICE

Song Leader: Jay Houser

Welcome Prayer: Aidan Klingler

Scripture Reading: Mike Hale

John 1:1-14

Speaker: Aidan Klingler "The Creator And His Creation"

PM Communion

Kelly Gibbs

Announcements / Closing Prayer:

Terry Garner

<u>Ushers</u>

Joe Carrico, Scott Wigal, Tommy Morrison

Privileged to Serve

	<u>12/31/2023</u>	<u>1/7/2024</u>
Song Leader	M Snyder	J Houser
Welcome/Prayer	J Eckhart	A Klingler
Table Speaker	J Shuman	J Shuman
Read Scripture	T Cramer	R Kellar
Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	T Garner

Evening Services

Song Leader	M Hale	J Houser
Welcome/Prayer	J Garner	K Gibbs
Read Scripture	J Poling	F Newberry
Speaker	D Kashorek	D Kashorek
Communion	F Newberry	J Lemley
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	T Garner

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Attendance & Contribution Week of 12/10/23

Sunday AM Bible Study: 63 Sunday AM Worship: 101 Sunday PM Worship: 60 Wednesday Bible Study: 63

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Contribution: \$ 3,521.32 Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

Direct deposit contributions can be made here: https://tithe.ly/give?c=1322070

Those Serving in the Military: Chris & Melanie DePuy, U.S. Air Force (son of Jeff & Julie DePuy) Brad Gibbs. U.S. Navy (grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs)

Luke George, National Guard (grandson-in-law of Anna Hart)

