

<p><b>Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM</b>  <b>Traditional Worship 11:00 AM</b></p>
<p><b>Faith Weaver's</b>  <b>Sunday School 9:45 AM</b>  A new way to learn on Sunday mornings! Come and learn more about the teachings of Christ.</p>
<p><b>Children's Church</b>  Each week during traditional worship. Sermons designed for those 5th grade and younger.</p>
<p><b>Faith Friends</b>  Wednesday evenings  6:30 – 8:00 PM  Weekly gathering of 2 yr. olds– 5th grade. Reinforces the Faith Weaver material used in the previous Sunday School lessons.</p>
<p><b>Circle of Hearts</b>– Will resume in January; Watch Bulletins for update! Open to women of all ages for fellowship and support. Based on the <i>Women of Faith</i> materials. Take a break from the hectic world! Hosted by Kris Taylor.</p>
<p><b>Men's Group 3rd Saturday of each month 8:00 AM – ??</b> Open to men of all ages, come with a hungry stomach and soul! Lively discussions on being more Christ-like in our various roles as a Christian man. Hosted by Dan Hostetter.</p>
<p><b>Bible Study</b> 2nd &amp; 4th Monday each month 7:00 PM Currently teaching on the Book of Revelations. Led by Pastor Taylor and hosted by Betty Gray.</p> <p><b>Adult Choir</b>  Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM-9:45 AM in the sanctuary.</p>

# January

## NOTES from the Pastor

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Well, another year has passed. As the saying goes, “another year older and another year wiser”. We all have experienced things and made mistakes and said things that you wish you could take back, or even maybe done differently. But the hope is that we learned from those things and now for 2004 we go forward a little better and a little wiser.

As for me this year has been one of growth and mistakes. Some of them were big mistakes and some were little ones. I hope that I learn from them and look forward to 2004 better than I was in 2003. That is my biggest prayer for me this year to be a better pastor, husband, father and Christian.

We all start our the New Year with goals. “I am going to do this this year, or be better at that this year”, or what ever the goal may be. Then after a few weeks we seem to lose momentum. We seem to lose sight of the goals that we set. So, with thought in mind, I have an idea.

In Philippians 1:6 it says *For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.* (NASB) Paul says that God has begun a good work in all of us. That even though we made mistakes in the past that God has begun the process of creating something good in our lives.

So, I hope it is your goal as well as mine that we continue to allow God build good things within us this year. I'm not talking about the Church, but each one of us individually. That we set our goals on continuing to grow in Christ each day. That even it may mean taking a look at something that we may not like. I know that there are things in my life that I am uncomfortable looking at. That we strive to overcome those things and allow God to help us mature as Christians, spouses, parents and friends.

God desires for us to grow in our faith. To set goals that will help us in our relationship with Him and each other. I am going to strive to be more aware of what God wants me to change and mature this year. My hope is that in the process I become a better pastor, friend and most of all a better Christian. My hope is that you do the same thing.

Is one of your News Years Resolutions to become a better disciple of Christ? Are you willing to let God show you those things that keep us from growing and maturing in our faith?

God Bless you in 2004!

**Church Attendance: 12/7-12/21**  
**Sunday School: 128**  
**Contemporary Worship: 19**  
**Traditional Worship: 233**

### Sermons & Scriptures for January:

January 4th– John 1:1-18 “In the Flesh”  
January 11th– Luke 4: 1-13  
“The Last Temptation of Christ”  
January 18th– John 2:1-11 “Watery Wine”  
January 25– Laity Sunday

From Kris, Katie, Megan and myself, we would like to thank the church family for all the Christmas gifts we received. May you all be blessed.

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## **UCPC YOUTH EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS**

### **Calendar of Events for Youth Group**

**January 17th- Skiing at Weston, Mo.**

**February 7th- Sweetheart Dinner**

**February 22nd- Ice Skating at Crown Center**

Thanks to those who are using the Price Chopper Card Xtra Helpings Community Rewards Program, our youth now are \$34.66 richer! This money will go into the youth funds, and will help in future Mission Projects.

**The UCPC Youth Group would like  
to thank everyone for their  
participation in the Ugly  
Reindeer Fundraiser.  
It was a great success!**

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Please extend your thoughts and prayers to the family of Howard Sloop. Mr. Sloop passed away on Thursday, January 1, 2004.

## **UCPC BISTRO PRESENTS**

**A SPECIAL SWEETHEART DINNER**

**FEBRUARY 7TH 6-9 PM**

Your dinner will be served by our attentive youth waitstaff.

Complimentary Carnations and Valet Parking will be offered. Reservations are requested.

### **Menu**

Chicken Monterey with Baked Potato  
Fresh Vegetables  
Salad and Bread

Dessert

Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door.

Advanced Tickets for 2-\$16/\$19 at door

Advanced Tickets for 1-\$8/\$10 at the door

**Memorial Dove Tree 2003**

Louis & Virginia Lanning  
Bill & Bessie Morrow  
Pat Morrow Johnson  
Paul & Mary Toombs  
Bob & Lucille Crowley  
Clarence Drew & loved ones  
Bill & Helen Appleman  
Echo Bramhall  
Barter Lemen  
Jim Harrison  
Nelda Michael  
Roberta Michael  
Dorson Michael  
Ruby & Cleo Newby  
Francis Crowley  
Myrna Bright  
Joe H. McCollough  
Robert Joseph McCollough  
Robert C. Stonum  
Ralph Davis  
Fern (Toby) Robinett  
John & Leota Cash  
Ed & Billie Andrew  
David Andrew  
Kirk Veach  
Al Wilbur  
Gladys Thomson  
Georgia Uptergrove  
Mildred King  
Wayne Teegarden  
Myrtle Hughes  
Arthur & Mabel Boysen  
Victor Swatt  
James & Ray Cheek  
Alburn & Minnie Cheek  
Louise & Chester Jackson  
Lee Silvey  
Vern & Nellie Elliott  
Dan & Louise Gryder  
Eldon Clark  
Wayne McIntosh  
Margaret & Walter Little

**Memorial Dove Tree 2003**

Ruth & Dan Hostetler  
Kathryn & Wayne Burgess  
Veldora Sharp  
Cecil Sharp, Jr.  
Wilbur & Beverly Sharp  
Galen & Jared Deardeuff  
Bob & Gail Hufft  
Bill Kanning  
Augustine & Nellie Lammers  
Irvin King  
Elmer & Rosie Rhodus  
Carl Herndon  
Bob & Alma Stonum  
Lester & Estill Akers  
Oscar Gulley  
Pleas & Lucy Teegarden  
Allan Ray Wood  
Clifford Younger  
Benjamin Funk  
Jack Faix  
Doc Strange  
Ivan O'Dell  
E. S. & Alice Brink  
Claude & Martha Jelen  
Kenneth & Mildred Staker  
Sheldon Hunter  
Kelly & Sally Glenn  
Clasteen & Everett Brown  
Jack Lewis  
Edith Phillips  
Dowanwin Basler  
Don Botz  
Edna Phillips  
Steve Nolker  
Clarence & Jo Wollard  
Lindsay & Rachel Crowley  
Joe Crowley  
Carl & Annabelle VanWinkle  
Dorothy Cox  
Maurice & Cleo Smith  
Jack Monroe  
Ed & Giny Harbolt  
Chuck & Georgie Jacobs

**Memorial Dove Tree 2003**

George & Lula Manuell  
John & Lorraine Stockard  
Russell & Mae Weissenbach  
Al Wilbur  
Doc & Mary Cates  
Frank Schwarz, Sr.  
Frank Schwarz, Jr.  
Dan Reardon  
Joe Logan Family  
June & Georgia Branstetter  
Robert Moore  
Darrell Tousley  
Ermine & Ralph McIlwaine  
Jan Mudd  
Lottie Collier  
Cathy Fuller (Lu Lu)  
Pearcy Jones  
Alva & Hazel Denton  
Gene & Laverne Jackson  
  
Catherine Fuller (Kitzie)  
Sam Phipps  
Pansy & Jerry Taylor  
Ernie Shelton  
Ernie Davis  
Oscar Randall Hunsaker  
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Gottchalk  
Robert Gottchalk  
Howard & Delores Ballinger  
Bud Ballinger  
Tony Shelton  
Marissa Shelton  
Rice Holtzclaw  
Winferd Clark  
Gerald (Buster) Scobee  
Jewell, Lottie & Dean Corum  
Richard & Tom Slaughter  
Dale Slaughter  
Lawrence Quigley

*This year all Memorial Dove Tree Donations  
will be donated to the National Leprosy Foundation*

*Thank you to all who made contributions to the Dove Tree this year.*



# Remember In Prayer

Shirley Ott, Connie Lueck, Ivanell Acklin, Dorothy Wollard, James Smith, June Hughes, Hazel Jones, Howard Sloop, the family of Howard Sloop, Kevin Avise, Kevin Jones, Travis Turner, and other area service men and women, our State & National leaders.

## Children's Church

### Volunteers:

January 4- Lori Messer

January 11- LeeAnn Funk

January 18- Joy Tipton

January 25-

Kristin Taylor

February 1-

Andrea Jamison

## Your Church Elders On Call

January 4- Larry Lanning &

Larry Kanning

January 11- Roy Rinehart &

Shirley Cheek

January 18- Marian Stonum &

John Tipton

January 25- Judy Fuller &

Dona Phillips

*Please contact an Elder if the  
Pastor is unavailable.*

## A Note from a Member:

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, flowers, cards, visits, and food during my recent surgery. I deeply appreciate all the kindness and caring shown, and especially Pastor Taylor for his visits and encouragement. Sincerely,

Kathy Hostetler

## Do you shop at Price Chopper Stores?

Our Youth Group has signed on with the **Price Chopper Xtra Helpings Community Rewards Program**. What this means is that each time a Registered Price Chopper Card is used our youth group can receive money to use in their mission projects. So, as soon as we have \$25 in the church's name, we will be sent that money. Please take the few minutes to help the youth by registering your card and remember to use each time you shop. It's easy and simple to register your card. Call the church office for the information or you can get a form from Pastor Taylor.

You can also go online to register if you have access to the internet at [www.MyPriceChopper.com](http://www.MyPriceChopper.com)

Use the ID # 511949 for our church code or name.

**See the Youth Happenings Spot for an update!**

## *A Sailor Comes Home!*

Welcome home to Kevin Avise who has been serving his country on the U.S. S. Roosevelt.

Thank you Kevin for your service to the country and may you be in God's tender care always.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 1-2 Office Closed for New Year's Day

January 4 Communion Sunday (2nd service) 11:00 AM

Contemporary Worship 8:30 AM

Fellowship Time 9:15 AM

Adult Choir 9:15 AM

Sunday School 9:45 AM

UCPC Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

January 5 Lawson Schools resume

January 6 Christian Education Meeting 7:00 PM

January 7 Faith Friends 6:30 PM

January 11 Regular Sunday Schedule

*New Board Officers will be installed during 2nd service.*

Birthdays & Anniversary Offering

Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

Board Meeting 7:00 PM

January 12 Bible Study 7:00 PM

January 13 Worship Committee Meeting 9:30 AM

January 14 Faith Friends 6:30 PM

January 15 Len out of town

January 17 UCPC Men's Breakfast 8:30 AM

Youth Ski Trip

January 18 Communion Sunday (1st Service) 8:30 AM

Regular Sunday Schedule

Lawson Manor 2:00 PM

Acolyte Training 4:00 PM

Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

January 19 Martin Luther King Day-No School

January 21 Faith Friends 6:30 PM

January 23-24 Elder's Retreat in Jefferson City, MO.

January 25 Week of Laity begins

Hunger Offering

Regular Sunday Schedule

January 26 Bible Study 7:00 PM

January 28 Faith Friends 6:30 PM

Quilt Group 6:30 PM

## *A Note from Wendy :*

I would like to say thank you to the Lawson United Christian Presbyterian Church for the gift that you gave to me. It was a nice surprise to receive. As 2003 comes to a close, I am truly blessed with the extended family that I have with you, a family of God. May you each find peace and hope in the New Year.

In His Name,

## OPENING SOON! UCPC BISTRO

You will want to make plans to bring your favorite  
*SWEETHEART* to a special

dinner served by our youth in the UCPC BISTRO

Please look for more details in the

YOUTH HAPPENINGS SPOT IN THE BULLETIN