

# THE POINTER

*A publication of Stony Point Christian Church*

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Morning Worship	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:50 a.m.

## Attendance for Sunday, December 13, 2009:

Morning Worship 261  
Sunday School 148

## Offering for Sunday, December 13, 2009:

General Fund \$5,237.26  
Other Funds \$2,053.50

## THOSE BLESSED BY SERVING THE LORD ON SUNDAY, December 20, 2009:

**Elders:** 1<sup>st</sup> Troy Reed & David Delich

2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Heffley & John Jones

**Chapel:** 1<sup>st</sup> David Delich 2<sup>nd</sup> John Jones

### Deacons:

1<sup>st</sup> Homer Collier, Kenneth Golden, Roger Smith, Steve Grinter, Steve Callahan, Jim Knight, John Wareham, Dwight Welton

2<sup>nd</sup> John Cannon, Jeremy Willey, Larry Fletcher, Jim Mills, Eldon Barnes, Robert Manthei, Zachary Herring, Rod Zugelder

**Deaconesses:** Carol York, Diana Morton, EllaRae Tucker, Sandra Wareham, Julie Useldinger, JoAnn Brown, Kari Hoyes

**Video Tech:** Mark Jaimes

### Greeters:

1<sup>st</sup> **Front:** Andrew Smith Family

1<sup>st</sup> **Back:** Roger Underwood Family

2<sup>nd</sup> **Front:** Rebecka Goins

### Nursery:

1<sup>st</sup>-**Crib:** Pam & Hailey Hill

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Tressa Richardson

2<sup>nd</sup>-**Crib:** Chelsea Littleton

**Wee Worship:** Joy Orlich

**Transportation:** Steve Callahan

**HOSPITALIZED:** Roland Griffin-Overland Park Skilled Nursing and Rehab, 6501 W 75<sup>th</sup>, Room 105B, O.P. KS

**Wednesday Night Service** for December 16, there will be a special screening of the movie *To Save A Life* beginning at 7:00 p.m. We ask that only adults attend this special viewing. Feel free to invite your friends and family. Hope to see you all there!

**On Friday evening, December 11,** Harold Kent misplaced his digital camera during the Good News Christmas party. If you should find it, please return to the office.

**Sympathy of the Church** is extended to the family of Louis Lemanske who passed away recently, to the family of Joe Neff whose brother passed away last week, and to Joy Orlich on the passing of her cousin last week. Please keep these families in your prayers.

**PROPERTY MINISTRY** needs volunteers to shovel snow and help with general snow removal this winter. If you would be interested in lending a hand, please contact the church office at 299-4821 or John Wareham at 221-5669.

**LOVE TO BAKE BUT NO TIME?** We have a solution for you. Bible Bowl will be taking orders for their annual Christmas candy sale this week for delivery on December 20. Orders must be received by December 18 for delivery on the 20<sup>th</sup>. What a way to get it all done and support our Bible Bowl program! Order forms will be available in the Fellowship Hall and on the windowsill outside the Sanctuary.

## AN OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION: SHARING OUR GIFTS AND TASTING PARTY!!

Please join us on the evening of December 20 at 6:00 pm for a special evening of celebrating our Lord and Savior's birth. We are blessed to have such a wonderful group of people with an abundance of talent in our church family who will be sharing with us that evening. Following the special program, we will have a tasting party in the Fellowship Hall. Bring along your favorite Christmas treat to share. God Bless and Merry Christmas! **Also, for those of you who had some items for decorations for this event, please have them up to the church by 10:00 a.m. December 19.**



**ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27,** after first service there will be a congregational meeting to vote on the Nominating Committee's 2010 Board Nominee slate. Please make plans to attend.

**EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED** to attend the Annual Christmas Eve Candlelight/Communion Service beginning at 6:00 p.m. You won't want to miss this very special time of celebrating our Savior's birth.

**Thank you to all who participated in the Refugee Reading event on December 5.** There were over 60 refugees to enjoy the storytellers, face painting, and crafts. Each child left with four books to take home! Thank you to our church family who donated books and craft items for this event. Check out the front cover of last weeks issue of the Wyandotte West and you'll find Jessica Willey reading to refugees.

**BEGINNING in January, we will start up our Fellowship dinners on the last Wednesday of the month.** We need groups or classes to help sponsor these dinners. Please contact the office at 299-4821 or Sally Lemmon at 328-0196 if interested .

## A NOTE FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

If you would like to receive a donor statement for 2009 tax purposes, please contact ElleRae Tucker at (913) 334-0074 or at [er7tucker@kc.rr.com](mailto:er7tucker@kc.rr.com) or Roger Underwood at 816-532-3319 or at [jayhawksfan93@gmail.com](mailto:jayhawksfan93@gmail.com). Please leave your complete mailing address if you wish to have a statement mailed to you. If you wish to have a statement emailed to you, leave your updated email address.

**WE'RE BACK!** Got all the shopping done but now you have to wrap it all? Let us do it! L.I.G.H.T. will be holding their 3<sup>rd</sup> **annual Gift Wrapping Extravaganza** in conjunction with **Mother's Day Out sponsored by Bible Bowl.** Here is the deal. Bring in your gifts on Saturday, December 19 from 10:00 a.m. to noon and we will have them beautifully wrapped and ready by 2:00 p.m. Not quite done with all the shopping? No worries, we will be here at the same time on Saturday, December 19 too! You provide the gifts and we provide everything else! (Think of us as your little elves) If you would like to take advantage of the Mother's Day Out, bring the kiddos along and leave them in good hands while you do your errands. It promises to be a great time for the kids . There is no set cost for these services but we do ask for a small donation to support Bible Bowl and L.I.G.H.T.

*Thanks to everyone for recycling their aluminum cans at the church. We have recycled over 1000 pounds and made \$615 over the last three years. The profits go to Stony Point Christian School. Keep saving!!  
Homer and Gloria Collier*

***THANK YOU all for your cards and prayers during the loss of our grandson Derek Luther.**  
Charlie & Pat Stapleton*

**Each family is asked to bring a special ornament from home to help decorate our tree in the Fellowship Hall. This can be something simple or something that is very special to your family. You can pick up your ornaments after Christmas.**

**ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS** will need to get their year end reports to the office no later than January 15, 2010. Your punctuality in this matter is very much appreciated.

**A CHRISTMAS CHOIR will be performing on Christmas Sunday, December 20 at both services. Everyone is invited to be a part of this choir. Practices will be held on Tuesday, December 15 and Wednesday, December 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.**



**Church Staff:**  
Gary Bondurant  
Al Schuweiler  
James P. Cole  
Becky Manthei  
Patti Golden

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## **A NOTE FROM GARY...**

The wonder of what God has done deserves pondering during this Christmas season. He has come in the flesh (called the "incarnation")-so that Jesus was both fully man and fully God. John's gospel says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning...The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:1-2, 14)

This is an awesome matter. Consider it, and simply worship Him. As Martin Luther said, "The mystery of the humanity of Christ, that He sunk Himself into our flesh, is beyond all human understanding."

God came to us as Jesus for a particular purpose. Someone wrote, "If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator; if our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist; if our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist; if our greatest need had been pleasure, God would have sent us an entertainer; but our greatest need was forgiveness, so God sent us a Savior."

Perhaps our response can be like Joseph Bayly's, expressed in his poem "Praise God for Christmas":

Praise Him for the incarnation,  
for the word made flesh.

I will not sing of shepherds  
watching flocks on frosty nights,  
or Angels choristers.

I will not sing of a stable bare in Bethlehem,  
or lowing oxen,

wise men trailing star with gold,  
frankincense, and myrrh.

Tonight I will sing praise to the Father

who stood on heaven's threshold  
and said farewell to his Son

as he stepped across the stars  
to Bethlehem and Jerusalem.

And I will sing praise to the infinite, eternal Son,  
who became most finite, a baby

who would one day be executed for my crime.

Praise him in the heavens,

Praise him in the stable,

Praise him in my heart.

During this advent season, may each of us see His glory and worship. May we know the truth and receive His gift by faith. May we never get over a sense of awe as we ponder the incarnation - Jesus is the living Lord!

**THE BIBLE BOWL Christmas card post office** will open the first Sunday in December. Feel free to bring your Christmas cards for our active members at that time.

### **Our Mission:**

**IN GOD'S LOVE...**

**\*To win the lost**

**\*To make disciples**

**\*To strengthen believers**

**\*To promote holiness in our community**