

PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

“IN MY DAY...”

Until the invention of the automobile in the early 1900's, life was difficult for every American. Trains were used for mass transit and horseback or buggy were used for individual travel. What is more, only half of American households had indoor plumbing at the beginning of World War Two. Information was found in books, which were quickly outdated, and private communication was delivered through the post office, telegrams, or telephones—most of which were “party line” phones.

So it is easy for older generations to say, “In my day, we had it rough!” And to that, all of us would give a hearty, “Amen!” I can't imagine living in such a slower society.

But make no mistake: The 21st century is not so easy for today's young people. Yes, young people have the ease of travel, instant access to up to date information, and vast entertainment choices; but they are bombarded every day by things their grandparents couldn't have imagined. They can be harassed non-stop by online bullies. They are being tempted by drugs that were unimaginable just 25 years ago. Since the world is so small due to Internet access, young people's bodies, talents, education, etc. are constantly judged.



“Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and song, and He has become my salvation.”

IMPORTANT DATES

12/20: Evening Singing; Happy Haven contribution

12/27: Men's meeting at 5:00

OTHER NEWS

Please put Christmas cards in the boxes on the back table.

Take necessary precautions regarding Covid-19. Cases are spiking in our area. If you have ANY coughing, fever, or flu-like symptoms, please stay home and get tested.

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Sunday School: 9:30
Morning Worship:
10:30
Evening Worship:
6:00

Prayer List:

- *Sue Clymore is slowly recovering at Centennial Medical Center from quintuple bypass surgery. She is in a regular room.*
- *Cara Lea Baker had surgery Wednesday and is recovering well.*
- *Ann Reed has experienced pain and nausea from her recent chemotherapy.*
- *Former member Glenola Maxwell is recovering from Covid-19.*

THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

One of my favorite sermons to preach on the Sunday before Christmas is called, “Don’t Leave Jesus In The Manger.” The thesis is plain: Think of Jesus every day of your life, not just during the Christmas season when nativity scenes remind us of Jesus’ birth.

Sometimes we miss the point of Christmas. Some focus on “Jesus is the reason for the season,” and consider Christmas a sacred Christian holiday. Others reject any Christian connection to Christmas whatsoever. They are quick to point out that Jesus was likely born in the spring since the Bible mentions the shepherds being in the fields. And we have no command to set aside a special day to honor Jesus birth.

No matter what you might think of Christmas from a biblical and/or historical standpoint, the meaning of Christmas is the same: to express love to those you love. Gifts, meals, cards—they all point to love.

Spend this week taking care of those you love. Be

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE (December 20, 2020)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

READ: Baker

PRAYER: Gupton

WORSHIP

WAIT ON TABLE: Billingsley

SERVE: J. Walker, D. Demonbreum, E. Walker