



Mitchell Community Church

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Sharing the Love of Christ

| JANUARY 2024 | | | | | | |
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NEWSLETTER

Mission Statement

Developing Passionate Followers of Jesus Christ

We at Mitchell Community Church are dedicated to providing a Biblical ministry to the people of this community. Our goal is to provide love and support for each member of this body of believers and to share the love of Christ with all members of our community. We are convinced that the Bible is God's word to man. We believe that "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised again on the third day according to the Scriptures..." (1 Corinthians 15:3-5)

If you have any questions or needs, please feel free to contact one of our Pastors or Elders.

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Church Officers 2023 – 2024

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| Elder | Randy LaFollette (Chairman) | |
| | Rick Frazier (Vice Chairman) | |
| | Don McFarlane | |
| Treasurer | Kathy LaFollette | |
| Secretary | Cathy Black | |
| Trustee | Jon Fletcher | Jay Mohr |
| | Brian LaFollette | Dan Ruiz |
| | Gary Larson | Cliff Sanders |
| | Vern Larson | Steve Weber |
| | Don McFarlane | |
| Deaconess | Myra Burum | Leslie Mohr |
| | Cindy Kooistra | Wanda Stone |
| | Tara LaFollette | Emily Vazquez |
| Sunday School | | |
| Superintendent | Jennifer Maimone | |
| Asst. Supt. | Kathy LaFollette | |

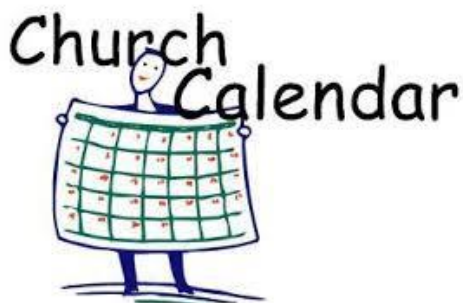


SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:30 - Sunday School

10:15 – Coffee & Donuts

10:45 - Church



Our church calendar is on our website:
www.mcchurchturlock.org

Dear Mitchell Family;

Work continues on the sanctuary remodel. Rough in electrical has passed inspection. Insulation is installed and the ceiling is partially installed. Siding is almost complete. Trusses are stained outside and inside and more painting will continue soon. Sheet rock mud has started on existing walls and new sheet rock and repairs will go up soon where needed. The stage wall has started to go up. And our great God continues to provide!



It takes many people working together to accomplish all the detailed work to make this project complete and functioning well. And it takes a shared vision and generous Spirit led hearts to promote and fund this project. Sounds to me like a physical example of a very spiritual principle. When all of us at Mitchell have the shared vision of fulfilling and living out the greatest commandments and the great commission then lives are changed for the Lord's eternal Kingdom!

Please continue to pray and support this building remodel project. But the most important thing is to continue to pray for the spiritual work that the Holy Spirit does inside our buildings, inside our hearts, and inside the lives of all in our sphere of influence. Let's give priority to Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples! Our Lord promises to always bless and answer those prayers to advance His Kingdom in the lives of people!

Randy LaFollette - Chairman

As we walk into the New Year we want to walk with humility and integrity. We should pray, listen to God, and seek his direction. God wants to direct our plans for 2024. It's my prayer that we as His Church will listen for His plans. He understands the future, the uncertainties of life, and he can guide us safely along.

I think that three verses that will steer us well into the future are found in James 4:13-15 **Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit--yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that."**

Pastor Rick

ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF

Wednesday, Jan. 17

5:30-7:30 p.m.



We will have 20 chili entries and 20 cornbread entries. Entry sign-ups will begin on January 7th.

Don't miss it! A fun night of tasting and voting on our favorites. Great fellowship!

JANUARY CHURCH-LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

All games will be held at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



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| Tues, 1/9, 6:00 p.m. | Mitchell Crusaders |
| Tues, 1/9, 8:00 p.m. | Mitchell Community |
| Mon, 1/15, 7:00 p.m. | Mitchell Community |
| Tues, 1/16, 7:00 p.m. | Mitchell Crusaders |
| Mon, 1/22, 6:00 p.m. | Mitchell Community |
| Tues, 1/23, 8:00 p.m. | Mitchell Crusaders |
| Mon, 1/29, 7:00 p.m. | Mitchell Community |
| Mon, 1/29, 8:00 p.m. | Mitchell Crusaders |

Questions? Contact Rick Frazier (209) 277-4303



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

JANUARY SCHEDULE

This month we will continue to add onto our "Books of the Bible" song. You can sing-a-long at home using the QR code below. We will begin a new unit that will cover Jesus' interactions with different people in the Bible. During this unit we will study how we can interact and relate to Jesus personally. Children are bringing home a "GO Home" page each week. It has several different ways they can respond to the lesson. Enjoy discussing and applying what your child is learning at home.



- January 7th: Jesus and Nicodemus *John 3:1-21*
- January 14th: Jesus and Simon the Pharisee *Luke 7:34-50*
- January 21st: Jesus and the Blind Man *John 9*
- January 28th: Jesus, Mary, and Martha *Luke 10:38-42*



**Ladies & Girls'
BRACELET MAKING PARTY**
Sunday afternoon, January 28th
2:00-4:00 pm

More details to come.

**Save the Dates
September 20-22**

**Women's Retreat
at Camp Chinquapin
(near Pinecrest)**

More information to come.

**May you shine the light of
Christ in the new year!**

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Bible Study
Wednesday afternoons 3:30 p.m.
at church (re-starts Jan. 10th)

2024 Events

- March 9 Men's Breakfast
- May 16 – 18 Men's Retreat at Camp Chinquapin
- July 20 Skeet Shoot / Corn Hole Tournament at McFarlane's Hangar
- Sept. 5 – 7 Men's Retreat at Pilot Lake
- Nov. 2 Fall Men's Breakfast



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Make the Connection

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.

For all ages, adults, youth, children

Children's classes start at age 3 (if potty trained, otherwise the nursery is available) and up!
The nursery is available during both Sunday School and Church.

New!

Married Couples' Sunday School Class, led by Pastor Rick and Joan, starting soon

This class will begin Sunday, January 28th, at 9:30 a.m. It is for couples who haven't been married over 25 years, and will go for 12 sessions. The class will deal with:

- Conflict in marriage and how to resolve it
- Communicating on a deeper level in our marriages
- What are circles of responsibility in marriage and how to define them
- Learning how to make a good confession and the need for forgiveness
- How to love unconditionally and how to respect unconditionally
- What is agape love and what does it look like in a marriage.

New topic

"Parables" Adult Sunday School Class, led by Harvey Montgomery and Ed Maze

The parables of Jesus are an important part of the Bible. Jesus in His Wisdom simplifies profound spiritual truths to share with humanity about common simple subjects, in a form of relatable stories which are easy for us to understand. These stories illustrate valuable, profound and moral lessons for our spiritual growth and benefit. This class will be taking a deep look at each of these parables. Harvey Montgomery and Ed Maze will be co-facilitating this interactive class for adults starting in January 2024.

