

# FAITHNOTES

December 2025

*The Newsletter for Communities of Faith/Peace*

*United Parish, United Methodist*

**Clarissa - Clotho - Eagle Bend**

**Long Prairie - Wrightstown**

## Thoughts from Kali . . .

Signs.....the theme of our Advent journey. I think of Bill Engvall and "here's your sign". I am sure most of you have heard him somewhere or another. He takes the everyday conversations we find ourselves in and points out the humorous situations in life. We find ourselves in humorous situations and in places that are so hard and difficult. Those places don't change just because Christmas is upon us. We navigate through life, balancing life.

Signs.....astrological signs, signs of faith, signs of growth, signs of health, signs of progress, signs of Christianity in our everyday, ordinary lives. What is your sign? You probably know what your astrological sign is. What are your other identifying signs? How would your Kids describe you? What would your best friend say about you? What would the mail carrier think you are about? Isn't interesting to think about our signs? How is it the world sees us? How is it the intimate folks in our lives see us?

And they will know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love. Is love our sign.?

We enter this month, fresh and ready to celebrate the birth of a Baby who knows us better than we know ourselves, knows every intimate part of our being. We come with eyes wide open, ready to embrace what he has to show us. He comes preparing us for His sign. What does this Baby mean to you? What sign is He sharing with you? What is the sign you identify with?

This time of year is full, isn't it? Full of activities and duties and responsibilities. We sometimes lose sight of who we are and how we identify ourselves, but maybe this Advent we really take the time to look at how we come off, how we share our priorities, how we live life each day? Maybe this year we actually pay

attention to the signs we offer one another. I read a lot from the Gottman Institute. The Institute provides workshops, books, and information about relationships. They deal with marital relationships and the way we all connect with each other. Things that get in the way of relationships are identified as the Four Horsemen in the writing of John Gottman. The behaviors that get in the way are: Criticism, contempt, defensiveness, and stonewalling. Do we as a church identify with these signs at all? Are we so busy being jealous of another church, critical of each other in church, prideful in our relationship with each other? Do we keep new things from happening because we don't want to try something new, don't want to extend ourselves to someone else, want to hold on to things just as they are? Do we get in the way of growing and becoming? Do we give off signs of cooperation, stating that we can help, we can offer guidance, offer support, offer hope? What sign comes out of our churches? How do others see us? Are we offering the sign of love, acceptance, hope, and opportunity?

Advent is a liminal space, a waiting space, but not a dead space. It is a space we fill with our interaction, our involvement, our inspiration. Advent beckons us to do our own work in solidifying our relationship with the Baby who came to change the world. He gave His life to give us the opportunity to live ours. He gave us the guidance, showed us the way, paved the path to being His hands and feet, paved the way to transform our hearts. We are the people who are called to cook the breakfast, pour out the water, visit the places that scare us and make our stomachs turn. We are the people who should sit with the broken-hearted and cry with those who have been persecuted. We are to be the signs of hope and love in this space. Are we wearing Jesus like a garment, feeling His every nudge to do as He would have us do.

Gottman's identify the behaviors that maintain connections in people: conversations, appreciation, regular affection. They say that for every one negative interaction with a person, there should be five positive interactions. Are we hanging with each other long enough to intentionally bring the positive interactions to one another. Are we vessels of hope and tolerance, love and acceptance?

This Advent, I hope you give yourself the gift of time. Time to look at your signs. How is it you show up and what do you want to personally examine? These five churches are filled with love and goodness. You have packed meals, purchased gas, made kids a priority. You have reached out to help those in disasters, given time to work a funeral, offered rides to others. We are invited to share our signs.....the sign of peace each Sunday, and it goes so much further than that. The signs we share with the world were born in a manger and came to lift us to a place where we see the needs of one another, where we embrace each other, where we dare examine our hearts and actions.....because we have received a sign....." I have come as a light into the world that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness" (John 12:46). Where does your light shine? Take the time this Advent season to check your signs. Embrace the work! Embrace His light!

Much love, Kali



### A December Devotional for the Spirit.

#### Embrace the Sacredness of the Season:

As December unfolds, we are invited into a holy stillness—a time to slow down, breathe deeply, and recognize God’s presence in both quiet moments and joyful celebrations. Whether you are baking in a warm kitchen, decorating your home with symbols of light, or resting with a favorite holiday tradition, allow these simple acts to draw your spirit closer to the One who brings hope and peace.

*“Be still, and know that I am God.” — Psalm 46:10*

### Spiritual Self-Care Practices for December

#### Mindfulness & Reflection:

Create moments of silence to listen for God’s gentle guidance. Set Healthy Boundaries  
Protect your time for prayer, rest, and spiritual

### restoration. Stay Physically Active

Move your body in gratitude for the life God has

given you. Brighten Your Days

Seek out both literal and spiritual light to remind you of Christ’s hope.

*“The light shines in the darkness...” — John 1:5*

#### Nourish Your Body

Receive each meal as a blessing from God’s abundant provision.

#### Creative Expression & Joy

Let creativity be an act of worship—God delights in your joy.

Connect & Give Mindfully.

Offer kindness, service, and presence as reflections of God’s love.

Self-Compassion & Kindness.

Be gentle with yourself. God’s grace meets you exactly where you are.

#### December Gratitude & Reflection.

Use these questions to center your heart in God’s goodness:

- What blessings has God brought into my life this December?
- What simple gifts brought peace, joy, or comfort this year?
- Who are three people God used to uplift or guide me—and in what ways?

*“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.” — Psalm 107:1*

#### A Prayer for December

Gracious and loving God,

As this year comes to a close, quiet my spirit so I may hear Your voice.

Fill my days with Your peace, my heart with gratitude, and my steps with purpose.

Help me seek Your light in all things and share that light with others.

Bless my reflections, guide my intentions for the coming year,

and surround me with Your everlasting love.

Amen.

May the peace of Christ fill your heart this season, the joy of His presence brighten your days, and the hope of His promises guide your steps into the new year.

With blessings,

Cinnamon S. Lancaster RN, BSN PHN-  
Faith Community Nurse



Look at all sections for more information.

### **SPRC & Communities of Faith/Peace United/Wrightstown UMC Councils:**

The five churches met with together on November 17th to discuss the possibility of all five churches coming together to give shared ministry and shared pastoral package expenses for a year commitment an opportunity to work. Becky Jo Messenbrink, Conference Superintendent joined us for the conversation. The sharing would allow Kali to be in each of the five churches twice a month. The pastoral package shared would allow each church to stay about the same budget wise or perhaps, see a bit of a decrease. The percentages for the churches would be approximately 17% for Clarissa, Eagle Bend, Peace United, and Wrightstown, and 34% for Clotho. The change would require Peace United to move to a 9:15 a.m. service. The rotation would look like church one week being: Clotho, Peace, Clarissa and the next week being: Clotho, Eagle Bend, Wrightstown. The hope would be Communion for all churches on the first Sunday of the month. Those serving would continue to be those appointed by the Conference: Kali and Erin; and those who also serve on the Ministerial Team: Pam and Marlys. A message on Facebook at 7 a.m. would continue. Nothing else would really change. The change would require each Admin Council to vote on this proposal, noting it is for one year. Those recommendations would then be validated in a vote together with Becky Jo joining us, probably after the first of the year, but perhaps, sooner. All the Administrative Council votes should be taken by Sunday, December 14th. Please reach out to Kali with any questions, concerns, or comments. There is a hope that this will continue to allow us to be vital and offer the support needed in the rural church setting to one another. We are so often stronger together.

Grief is an overwhelming feeling of love and loneliness. We will get together to talk about that or anything else you may choose to chat about. I will be at 110 Coffee Company in Long Prairie a couple of times in December to offer space for those conversation. Beverages are on me. I will be there on December 3rd at 10 a.m. and December 11th at 3:30 p.m. Feel free to stop in.

**Blue Christmas Service.** We have experienced a lot this past year. Loss, grief, sadness, chaos. Celebrations and laughter ring in the air, but sometimes holidays don't feel that way because we have experienced places of hurt and harm. We want to honor those feelings and will do so as we gather on Monday, December 22nd, 2 p.m. to share in a service where we hold those feelings in prayer and care. We will meet at Faith Lutheran Church in Eagle Bend for this shared service.

### **A little of this and a little of that...**

**GREAT NEWS!!!!** We have been given evening hours at the Food Shelf in Long Prairie twice a month, starting in January. This is SO EXCITING to me.....for 45 years we have been hoping for some evening hours.....and yahoo!!!! If you want to volunteer for something that makes your heart sing, please consider this opportunity. The more people stepping up, the longer between the dates on the calendar. The training is simple, easy, and volunteers are so needed. Give me a call if you are interested or call Jane Olson at 320-732-6895.

**VOLUNTEERS**.....wondering if you would consider a night of Bingo at the nursing home in Long Prairie? Would be a great family night out.....let me know if you think that would be fun!

**People of prayer.** Would you be willing to pray once a month or once every 3 months for people who are leaving their prayers at the chapel at CentraCare? We would love to have these prayers prayed over with collaboration with the other churches and the staff at CentraCare. Please be in touch.....

**Other opportunities**....it would be so fun for someone to organize caroling for the season, nursing home/assisted living projects, etc.....once every three months, we could make a great impact on the lives of many.....do you have an interest?

**Back Pack Attack** will be putting together snacks/food to go home with students on the weekend on Tuesday, December 9th, 5 p.m., Long Prairie-Grey Eagle Elementary School cafeteria. This is a great night of fun and collaboration for the good of students who may be experiencing food shortage and/or spend a lot of time at home on the weekends while parents are working. The packs are filled with food that kids can easily prepare. Hope you can assist with this great project. We can pack about 2,000 bags in one hour if we have enough helpers. This was postponed from the end of November when snow began to fall.

**Ministerial Fund:** Our Ministerial Fund Received several gifts this month: 450 from a friend in another state, 630 from local central Minnesota friends. The needs have been high for people in our county, there are a lot of mental health needs, gas, and living needs. We put together 12 Thanksgiving baskets thanks to the generosity of many community people who brought their resources and shared their time and shopping talents. People were very appreciative per the reports. Thanks to all of you for your support and care for others. Serving is such a privilege. We were able to share some of our clothes and extra food supplies with Pastor John Scheuer from Hill City and Hibbing Churches. The Wesley UMC in Hibbing has opened up a Caring Corner at their church. People are able to get clothing and food needs met at church. Thanks for your continued commitment to make a difference in the world. They, in turn, are anxious to hear how they can assist us in any of our ministries. Your hands, feet, and hearts are significant in bringing Jesus to the center of lives, to the integral places of hunger, support, love, and outreach. Thanks for stepping up and stepping out.

**PROJECT JOY**.....the envelopes are out for Project Joy, the gift giving project designed to bring joy to children of need in the Todd County area. Our churches have made a wonderful dent in the project...Peace took 6 envelopes, Clarissa took 15 envelopes, Clotho took 20 envelopes, and Eagle Bend took 39 envelopes. Thanks for your generosity and care in providing the needs of Kids in our county.

**Ministerial Team:**  
for December schedule:  
7..Marlys and Kali  
14..Pam and Kali  
21..Marlys and Kali  
28..Erin and Kali  
Ministerial Team will meet on  
Monday, December 8th, 5:15,  
Buford's



### Join us for Christmas Eve

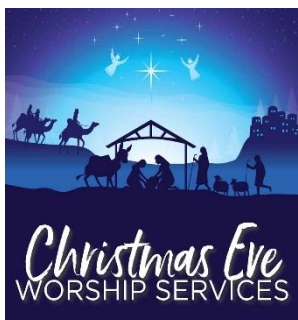
Wrightstown 2:00 pm

PUC 3:30 PM

Eagle Bend 5:00 PM

Clarrisa 6:30 PM

Clotho 8:00 PM



**JOIN US IN CHURCH...** Would love to have you join us in church...we are missing you and look forward to connecting at worship services at any of our churches. While the opportunity for social media to keep us connected is beneficial, there is nothing like personal presence. We encourage you to think about how and when you could worship with us. Thanks to everyone who continues to financially, give as they can. Our churches are operating and have a desire to extend our presence in the communities. Your gifts support the mission and operation of our churches.

Clarissa, Clotho, Eagle Bend people, feel free to send any monetary gifts to PO Box 158, Clarissa, MN. 56440. Peace United Folks, send your offering to 524 Central Avenue, Long Prairie, MN 56347. Contributions for Wrightstown UMC send to Joan Zirbes, 62172 County Hwy. 40, Parkers Prairie, MN 56361. Hope to see you soon. Feel free to be in touch. You can reach me at 320-808-6301.



### **Meanderings of the Preacher...**

Meanderings of the Preacher.....lots going on this month in addition to the things noted in this newsletter.....please take note of the calendar at the end of the newsletter. In addition, there will be meetings, Community Circle and Hilltop Regional Kitchen meetings on December 9th, 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Kali at the Food Shelf or Back Pack Attack on the 9th at 5 p.m. Kali at Anderson Funeral Home in Alexandria for the memorial service. Community Circle is hosting a Christmas Party on the 15th at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Rural Ministry Matters on zoom at 1 p.m. on the 19th. Burial service at Ft. Ripley at 3 p.m. NAPS at Clarissa City Hall at 1 p.m., December 22nd.







## PLEASE REMEMBER OUR NURSING HOME AND ASSISTED LIVING FAMILY...

### Central Todd County Care Center & Assisted Living – Clarissa

- Shirley Carrick - Darlene Bodle - Gene Bodle

### Meadow Place – Long Prairie

- Darlene Baxter - Jan Miller - Devona Berry –  
Bev Johnson

### Long Prairie Memorial Nursing Home

- Orin Baxter

### Nursing Homes services:

Nursing Home Services: Worship at Central Todd  
County Care Center, December 3, 17 and 31<sup>st</sup>, 2:30  
p.m. Worship at Long Prairie Nursing Home,  
December 17th at 9:45 a.m.

**Conversations** Join us on Wednesday  
mornings at 7 a.m. on Facebook, Kali Christensen  
page. We will share a devotional and a little chat. If  
there is something you would like to see mentioned,  
just be in touch.

### YOUTH NEWS:

I would like to start a group that is focused on the  
youth from our area United Methodist Churches and  
from the community in general. I would love to bring  
back memories of UMYF (United Methodist Youth  
Fellowship) from my youth. Would you be interested  
in participating in a youth group?

I am looking for interested youth ages about 12  
through 21. Those who would like to expand their  
knowledge of the teachings in the Bible and how they  
relate to the world today. Those who would like to  
have fellowship with others their age. Those who  
would like to play games, do crafts, listen to and  
discuss trending music, and learn from short  
demonstrations or talks from experts in various skills.  
Of course there would be treats to eat and maybe  
even an occasional meal. I am also looking for those  
adults that would be willing to share their expertise  
and experience with these young people.

The actual parameters of the group will be set up by  
those who are interested. I will be there to facilitate  
and help in any way I can.

Please let me know your thoughts and share any  
suggestions that you may have.

Lay Speaker,

Marlys Frederiksen

(701)403-4827 Mlskaf54@yahoo.com



Colleen Kleinschmidt, healing, casted, doing well,  
YAY!!!

Family of Rob Maland

Austin and needed strength and clarity

Tony and Carol Bruder

Heidi Masters, back on chemo, doing ok.

Family of Fran Bokinskie, quiet oaks hospice house

Family of Dan Drum

Briana Knutson

Claus, brother-in-law of Noska's, Wanda Tepley,  
health is declining rapidly

Royce Line

JOY, Sherri Nyman is home!!!

Allan and Debbie Mortenson and Family in the death of  
Allan's Dad

JOY, Cinnamon Lancaster completed community faith  
nursing certification....yahoo

Family of Caroline Statema

Family of Dorothy Sjoberg, burial will be in the  
spring/summer

Elaine Duncan, amputation, doing well

Terry Sterler, cancer

Family and Friends of Marty Strom

Gary and Barb Thompson

Brent and Becky Wiltermuth

Luana Sibert

Art Denny, healing from prostate surgery

Roman Sullivan

Mike's daughter-in-law's Dad passed away 11/1

Russell Kline ....knee surgery/bone spurs

Those with food insecurities

Women's group from Wrightstown sent 300 dollars to  
food shelf

Two women hit by a car Friday during trick or treating  
Marline, an interpreter from Haiti, received sad news  
that her father was killed in Haiti

Doris Winter

Adeline Noska, successful surgery today....let the  
healing begin!!!

Barb Szech

Laurel Meier and hospice placement

Steve Johnson

Family of Kathy Alexander

Josh Prather and kidney functioning

Mark Nelson and kidney functioning

Family of Harold Kramer

Bridget Butler, dealing with challenges  
 Betty Kurerth, healing  
 Greg Lemke in the untimely death of his roommate  
 Family of Neal Biermaier  
 Kim Dinkel-Feist  
 Erienne  
 Gerry Vuchetich in the death of his wife, Ann Sample  
 Family of Donna Jensen  
 Ray Klim  
 Rylie Karges Baklund  
 Family of Pat Logan  
 Marilyn Steven's  
 Kelsey, blood clots in her lungs  
 Family of Jodi Klug  
 Family of Sarah Hayes  
 Anthony Duncan  
 Char VanValkenburg Gamradt  
 Gratitude for Kids that care and assist in getting parents  
 to events  
 River has been seizure free for 3 days! Amen!  
 For the Family of Betty Campbell as they grieve  
 Betty's death.  
 Safe travel over the Thanksgiving Holidays  
 The JOY of successful bazaars, dinner, auction.....  
 anniversary. Grateful for good memories.



2..Jamisty Claseman  
 4..Carol Frerichs  
 4..Makenzee Sales  
 6..Sharon Willie  
 6..Paxton Woeste  
 8..Thomas King  
 9..Bobbi Knutson  
 11..Kody Kurerth  
 13..Shannon Jedlicka  
 15..Deb Blake  
 15..Brianna Lux  
 15..Addie Noska  
 15..Jaxen Kilmek  
 17..Amy VanValkenburg  
 17..Kelly Bican  
 19..Brian Kurerth  
 21..Kim Mollner  
 24..Cathy Salathe  
 25..Noel VanValkenburg  
 29..Kevin Boyer  
 31.. Cary Hudalla



## COMMUNITIES OF FAITH/PEACE UNITED OPPORTUNITIES-NEWS

### Clarissa Chatter. . .

Christmas Eve Services will be the 24th, 6:30 p.m.

### Clotho Corner. . .

Music Jam will be held on Monday, December 1st, 1 p.m. If you like music, play music, listen to music, you will have a great time here!!! Refreshments are served and you just cannot keep your toes from tapping!!! Join us!

Coffee in Clotho will be perking on Friday, December 5th, 6:30-9 a.m. Come and hang out for some fun conversation or grab a cup and a snack and head to work or school. We look forward to seeing you.....a GREAT WAY to start the day!!!!

The Sunday School Program will be during church on Sunday, December 21st. This is always a fun celebration of Jesus, his birth, his Love, his hope, and our response. The Christmas program speaks to our hearts in a way that brings a tenderness to our being. It is medicine for our souls.



Christmas in the Country will be held on the 21st at 7 p.m. Do you want to participate? You just come and share whatever talent you want to share. Any age is welcome to share your talents....music, magic, readings, plays.....it is a night of fun, no stress lots of laughs. So, plan to join us. The fun is GREAT. Refreshments served!!!! Thanks to all who came to the Fall Auction. It was a night of fun, laughter, and buying/ creating! All of it came together for a ton of fun! Appreciate the effort and the Joy of tradition!!!!

Christmas Eve Services will be held the 24th, 8 p.m.



## Eagle Bend Box. . .

Christmas Concert.....oh what a fun time this is!!!!  
Dave Burgett and Friends visit us and share music and delight! We will gather at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 6th for a program that will lift your heart this Christmas Season. Join us for good music and a lunch that fosters fellowship.

Soup and Sandwich Supper will be held on Tuesday, December 16th, 4:30-6:30 p.m. We recently took a survey regarding this supper and the overwhelming response was YES, it is important to our communities! That being said, we may ask others to join us in making this happen.....it is a night many look forward to. Hope to see you here in December. We would love to make the end of the year a HOLIDAY BLAST of food and fun and great CELEBRATION!!!!!!

The Bazaar was a sell out FUN and FESTIVE EVENT!!!! Thanks to all who brought items, bought items, laughed, ate good food, and had a good time. The proceeds were fantastic and we are GRATEFUL!!!!!!so, so GRATEFUL!!!!

Christmas Eve Services will be the 24th at 5 p.m.



## Peace United Update...

Poinsettias will accent the altars this Christmas Season again. You may purchase a poinsettia in honor or in memory of someone. The cost is 11.50 for each poinsettia. Orders are needed by Sunday, December 14th. Order sheets can be found at church.

Women of Peace meet on Thursday, December 10th, 1:30 p.m.

The Annual Meeting of Peace United will be held on Sunday, December 14th after church. Please plan to stay for the meeting. Your input is appreciated and needed.

Christmas Wreaths have been a hit again this year. Thanks to all who have ordered. The orders are being completed and the deliveries will soon be done. It has been another great year. Cyndi Noble works magic with the greens!

How Wonderful it was to see you at our Bazaar! The turn out was great, the conversations, rich, and the food excellent. Thanks to our Vendors who brought such wonderful items and for all the baked goods that swiftly left the tables! We had a great day thanks to so many who showed up, shared your passion, your talents, and your love! It was a very good day!

Christmas Eve Services will be the 24th, 3:30 p.m.

## Wrightstown Wrap-up.....

Lydia Circle will meet on Thursday, December 4th, 11 a.m. at Carol Susan's house. We will exchange 5 dollar gifts for fun!!!

Brunch after church on December 7th. Plan to stay and feast with us.

December 17th, 7 p.m., we will host a Christmas Carol Sing Along. We hope to see many of you there for an old fashioned night of the music we all love. Refreshments will be served!!!!

WOW! What a great turn out for the Thanksgiving Meal on the 22nd. Thanks to so many who gave time and product for this fantastic meal. The community showed up and we are elated with the 70 meals that walked out or were sent out the door. It was good to share the table together!

Christmas Eve Services will be on the 24th, 2 p.m.



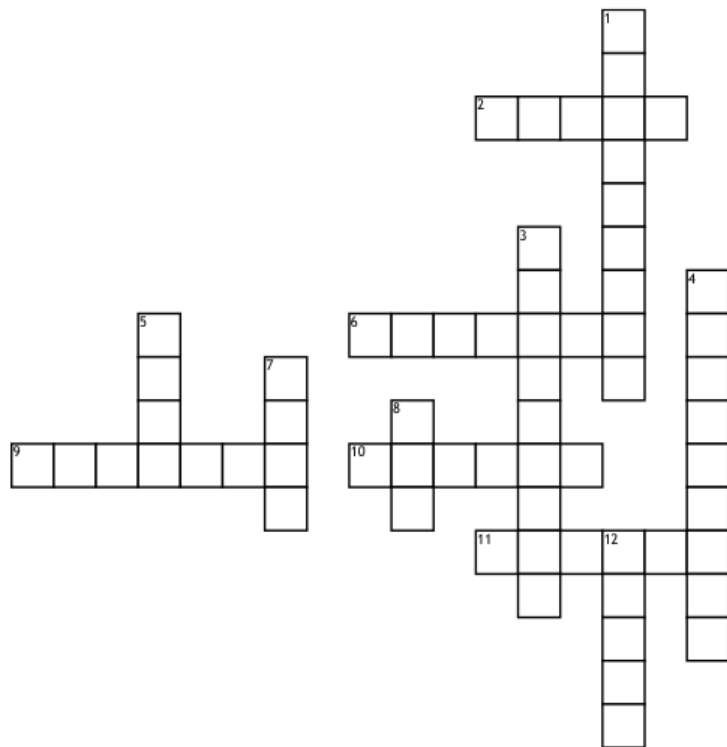


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>November 30<sup>th</sup></b> <b>UMC/Peace United Church Services</b> Clotho – 8 am Eagle Bend – 9:15 am Peace United – 10 am <i>Hanging of the Greens</i> Clarissa - 10:30 am Wrightstown - 10:30 am	<b>1</b> 1 PM Music Jam at Clotho UMC	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Conversations on Facebook at 7:00 am 2:30 pm Worship at CTCCC	<b>4</b> 11 am – Lydia Circle Wrightstown Bring a \$5 gift	<b>5</b> 6:30 am to 9 am Coffee at Clotho	<b>6</b> 6 PM Eagle Bend Christmas Concert Dave Burgett and Friends and Lunch
<b>7</b> UMC/Peace United Church Services Clotho – 8 am Eagle Bend – 9:15 am Peace United – 10 am Clarissa - 10:30 am Wrightstown - 10:30 am & Brunch to Follow	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Conversations on Facebook at 7:00 am 9:45 am Worship at Long Prairie Nursing Home 1:30 PM – WOP at PUC	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> UMC/Peace United Church Services Clotho – 8 am Eagle Bend – 9:15 am Peace United – 10 am-& Annual Meeting to follow Clarissa - 10:30 am Wrightstown - 10:30 am	<b>15</b> Ministerial Team 5:15 p.m., Buford's. Community Circle Potluck, 5-7 p.m	<b>16</b> Soup and Sandwich Supper in Eagle Bend 4:30 to 6:30 PM	<b>17</b> Conversations on Facebook at 7 am 2:30 pm Worship at CTCCC 7 p.m. Wrightstown – Christmas Carol Sing Along	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> UMC/Peace United Church Services Clotho – 8 am <i>SS Program</i> Eagle Bend – 9:15 am Peace United – 10 am Clarissa - 10:30 am Wrightstown - 10:30 am 7 pm – Country Christmas Clotho	<b>22</b> Clarissa Admin at 5:00 pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Conversations on Facebook at 7:00 am Christmas Eve Services Wrightstown 2:00 pm PUC 3:30 PM Eagle Bend 5:00 PM Clarrisa 6:30 PM Clotho 8:00 PM	<b>25</b> <i>Merry Christmas</i>  <i>Jesus is The Reason for The Season</i>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> UMC/Peace United Church Services Clotho – 8 am Eagle Bend – 9:15 am Peace United – 10 am Clarissa - 10:30 am Wrightstown - 10:30 am	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Wednesday, December 31st, 2:30 p.m. at Central Todd County Care Center			



# A Christmas crossword



## Across

2. what did the wise men give Jesus (m)  
6. what did the wise men give Jesus (i)  
9. what angle told Mary she was pregnant

10. How did Mary and Joseph get to Bethlehem

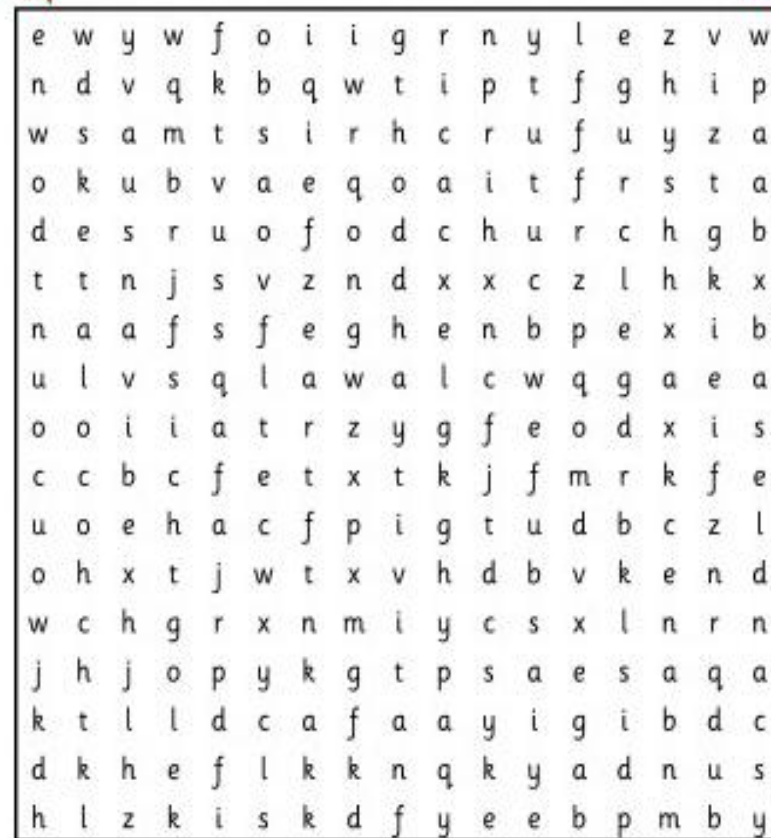
11. who was Jesus Dad (on earth)

## Down

1. what job is Joseph do  
3. Who wanted to kill baby Jesus  
4. Which city was Jesus born

5. what was in the sky which told the wise men where to go  
7. what did the wise men give Jesus (G)  
8. Who was Jesus dad (not in physical form)  
12. where did Mary, Joseph and Jesus flee

# Advent Word Search



calendar

candles

chocolate

Christmas

church

countdown

crown

December

four

nativity

Sunday

wreath

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Clotho, & Eagle Bend