



HAPPENING THIS WEEK...

TODAY COMMUNION

9:30a Adult Sunday chool
—Conference Room
Modern Worship —Sanctuary
KidMin Children's Ministry
—KidMin Hall

10:20a Sunshine Singers Kids Choir

Rehearsal —Centrum

11a Classic Worship—Sanctuary
KidMin Children's Ministry
— KidMin Hall

Serve Meal at Faith Mission

2p Cookies due for the meal

5p No Youth Group today—begins next *Sunday*
Staff Annual Strategy Meeting

7p Volleyball

7p AA

Mon, Jan 5

Staff Annual Strategy Meeting

11a Men's Bible Study

7:30p AA

Thur, Jan 8

6p Bell Choir Rehearsal

7p Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7p AA

Fri, Jan 9

7p "New Year, New You!" Women's Event

Next Sunday, Jan 11

Our Message Series Continues "Fresh Start"

Youth Group @ 5p

Coming up...

Jan 12 Blood Drive

LGBTQ+ and Allies Group @ 7p

Jan 13 Brown Bag Ministry for Open Shelter @ 6p

Jan 18 Joyful Noise Ringers @ 11a worship

Jan 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Jan 20 Annual Leadership Gathering @ 6p

Jan 24 Celebration of Life for Chuck Casey @ 11a

Jan 25 Membership Gatherings after both services

Jan 26 Social Justice Team Meeting @ 7p



Pastor Rachel Billups

John 3:1-10 (The Message)

There was a man of the Pharisee sect, Nicodemus, a prominent leader among the Jews. Late one night he visited Jesus and said, "Rabbi, we all know you're a teacher straight from God. No one could do all the God-pointing, God-revealing acts you do if God weren't in on it." Jesus said, "You're absolutely right. Take it from me: Unless a person is born from above, it's not possible to see what I'm pointing to - to God's kingdom." "How can anyone," said Nicodemus, "be born who has already been born and grown up? You can't re-enter your mother's womb and be born again. What are you saying with this 'born-from-above' talk?" Jesus said, "You're not listening. Let me say it again. Unless a person submits to this original creation - the 'wind hovering over the water' creation, the invisible moving the visible, a baptism into a new life - it's not possible to enter God's kingdom. When you look at a baby, it's just that: a body you can look at and touch. But the person who takes shape within is formed by something you can't see and touch - the Spirit - and becomes a living spirit. "So don't be so surprised when I tell you that you have to be 'born from above' - out of this world, so to speak. You know well enough how the wind blows this way and that. You hear it rustling through the trees, but you have no idea where it comes from or where it's headed next. That's the way it is with everyone 'born from above' by the wind of God, the Spirit of God." Nicodemus asked, "What do you mean by this? How does this happen?" Jesus said, "You're a respected teacher of Israel and you don't know these basics?"



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Join us on Monday
January 12th at 7pm!
Contact Kyle Zuber
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**Brown Bag Ministry
for Open Shelter**
Gather with us in the
kitchen café to prepare
lunches

Tuesday
January 13th @ 6pm.

Here are a few poinsettia dedications that we missed on
Christmas Eve...

***Lisa Sylvester* In Memory of Addy
Sylvester and Michael Sylvester**

***Deb Cogan* In Memory of Bill & Janet
Birkel, Debbie Price and Jean Birkel.**

***Linda Davis* In memory of her mother,
Betty Luikart.**



Be sure to take home your poinsettias today!

New Year. New You!

Calling all women!

*You're invited to join us
Friday, January 9 at 7:00 PM
at Jennifer Hunter's home.*

*This will be a relaxed
evening of connection
and conversation—please
bring an appetizer to share.*

*Be sure to RSVP today so we
can plan well....*



Blood Drive
January 12th

1-7pm



Sign up today!

