



**FIRST EVANGELICAL
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

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*"To be known as a church that prays"
"To be a church that takes the word of Christ to others"
"To feel the love from Christ in a way that makes our heart
rejoice"*

Sunday, December 11, 2022

Pastor Michael Lewis 330-606-2711
Jeff Cunningham, worship leader;
Rob Cowie & Pauline Long, musicians

Opening Praise/Greeting Time

** "O Come, Let Us Adore Him" #196

Announcements/Prayer

Worship

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" #250
"Away In a Manger" #262
"Joy to the World" #270

Prayer

Offering/Offertory

Message

Pastor Lewis

Closing Video

Those who are physically able, please stand

First Church Events This Week

"Your Word is Truth" (John 17:17)

This Week:

Sunday

**Sunday School 9:30 am.
Worship Service 10:30 am.
Marilyn & Carrie Concert 7:00pm
(Guardian Angels Catholic**

Church)

Wednesday

Official Board meeting 7:00 p.m.

Thursday

Prayer Meeting 11:00 a.m. &

lunch

Pastor's notes:

Luke 2:8 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

Christmas cards - We once again will be distributing Christmas cards for you if you bring them in. Final pick up will be Christmas Sunday.

Dec 18 - Caroling Tentatively meeting at church at 5:00 p.m.

Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Service 6:00 p.m.

Akron First Prayer Chain has 2 contacts. It can be accessed by calling Jim Dotson @330-703-4585 or email him @jimdotson7@gmail.com, or Mike Lewis @330-606-2711 or email him @bacrides10@gmail.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

December 14 Pat Goughnour
December 17 Sherrie Hilbish
Deanna Kimevski

PRAISES

Wall progress & Christmas Decorations
John, Chrissie, Tim & Jim - Work in the sound room
Steve & Sandy - Last weeks "LOVE" candle lighting
Bill & Becky - This week "Joy" candle lighting
Avis - doing better

WHO'S ASKED FOR PRAYERS

Doug Bartlow - Father-in-law fading due to age.
Audrey - help with job and patience
Katzmark's - Jake & Megan - home purchase
Mike - mom Carol - reduced knee pain
Jim D - Al Brown pancreatic cancer
Glenn Weakland - severe PTSD
Many people are having to be without loved ones during Christmas

PRAYER NEEDS

Brett Faidley - relief from pain & answers from testing
Pauline - healing from infection
Avis - continued Healing
Multiple people with flu symptoms
John M - doctor's appointments
Shut-ins - Glenna Duffey, Marie Banic, John M.

ONGOING NEEDS

Pauline-Don Lowery, Deb P.-Katrina, Bill H.-Terice, Rob & Kim & Robbie, Don V.-April, Leroy- Ben Mercer & Debbie, Jim D.-Frank Wilkinson, Cunningham-Audrey & Nathan, Lewis-Hayleigh Kinzel, Debbie Boser, Marilyn- Kathryn, Cunningham-Peg Goldsmith, Jim Behringer, Melissa, Cindi Gamble, Chad-mom Judith kidney, Carol-Ida Mae passing

"Pray and Seek God's Answer"



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