

Chapel This Week

This Sunday, December 3



The Lord's Supper

**Mercy Ministry
Offering**

Food Pantry Collection

Genevans' 80th Christmas Concert

Friday, December 1, 7 p.m., Saturday, December 2, 7 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church, Beaver Falls

The concert is free. A love offering will be received.

CHRISTMAS AT CHAPEL

GIFT TAGS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ANGEL TREE

AND RESIDENTS OF BEAVER MEADOWS

Please spend no more than \$20 on each Angel Tree child and return gifts by **Sunday, December 10.**

If you can help deliver an Angel Tree gift or two, contact Jill Jansto.

ORDER POINSETTIAS BY THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3.

Sign up at the Welcome Table or contact Karen Chalmers or Rhoda Lewis.

THE CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE STARTS THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3.

Look for the big decorated box in the foyer.

LADIES' CHRISTMAS PARTY - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 6:30 p.m.

Home of Steve-Nancy Maker. Bring a dish to share, and if you desire, a gift to exchange.

CHRISTMAS PREPARATION SERVICE - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 6 p.m.

ORNAMENT EXCHANGE - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

Sign up at the Welcome Table.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 6 p.m.

From the Word - "He Shall Bruise Your Head" - Genesis 3:14-15

As Pastor Steve said Sunday, God told us about Christmas in the garden of Eden.

The back story begins with God's creation of man and woman. God gave them many blessings and much freedom, but He commanded that they **not** eat from a particular tree.

Satan (in the form of a serpent) tempted Eve, and she and Adam ate — and died spiritually.

This is a **catastrophe**. The consequences are horrific. This world is not what God created it to be, with all of the death, illness, disasters, famine, war, and sorrow.

But **the cursing of the serpent is a promise of victory for believers!** God owes nothing to any sinner, but He promised that the woman's seed would defeat Satan. This is Jesus, who was also tempted, but did what Adam failed to do. Jesus was bruised on the cross, but Satan received a fatal blow.

We see **the promise fulfilled in John 12:31**. The ruler of the world will be cast out. He can no longer accuse God's people because Jesus has sacrificed Himself for their sins.

We also see **the promise fulfilled in Romans 16:20**. Paul declares that the God of peace will soon crush Satan. If you trust in Jesus, you will have a share in this crushing.

Jesus is the Gardener of Eden who brings a new inheritance by conquering Satan!

For Your Prayers...

Various Health Issues

Ben Banks (9) - brain hemorrhage - died last weekend.

Ruth Householder - great-great granddaughter Nyla - will receive a hearing aid Friday.

Noelle McGeary - blood vessel issue - being treated with medicine.

David-Katy Wilcox - son Dan - depression/anxiety/sleep issues.

Cancer

Karen Chalmers - cousin Eleanor - chemotherapy for pancreatic cancer.

Karin Dalton - Uncle Tony (Huntington's Disease), Aunt Ruth (memory issues).

Anita Dodd - sister Joyce - surgery scheduled for December 6.

Jan Grant - chemotherapy ends Thursday - testing on December 22.

Christie Gregg - Whitney (3) - leukemia - chemotherapy.

Glenn Hasulak - Matt Morrow - receiving treatments.

Cathi Keenan - Bobby Turner, Jennifer Keil.

Paul-Leslie May - neighbor Mark - leukemia.

Zach Watt - iodine treatment for thyroid on December 15.

Expecting

Tim-Karena (Gregg) Johnson (12/18), Mike-Jill Jansto (12/22), Keith-Adrienne Gideon (2/5), JD-Abby Kail (April),

Dustin-Joanna (Maker) Sutherland (March).

Halfhills - great-granddaughter Paisley - premature - still hospitalized, but improving.

Mourning

Sarah Detrow (death of grandmother), Dave Jordan (death of mother), Glynis Tweddell (death of mother).

Other

Chris Bowser - National Guard deployment in the Middle East - January.

Sam-Peggy Duguid - sale of home in Grove City - accepted offer - closing next week.

Kay Lynne Ege - issues with grandson Gavin.

Happy Birthday

November 29 - Luke Shidemantle
November 30 - Joel Brubaker, Adam Stauber
December 4 - Joel Honse, Cathi Keenan
December 6 - Dave Grabski, Ken Hartman

Happy Anniversary

None This Week!



Sunday,
December 10,
8:30 a.m.

Geneva Reading Day - Tuesday, December 12

John and Jackie Gardner welcome you to
their home from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Come and go as you please, and you can study,
talk, and eat lunch at noon!



ADULT CLASS

God's Will, Our Ways: Ephesians
Tom Stein



Coming in January....

Young at Heart Movie Night - Friday, January 19
Annual Congregational Meeting - Sunday, January 21
Kingdom Prayer Gathering - Sunday, January 21

2018 Men's Weekend - February 23-24

