

THE SPIRE

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
IN PRATT, KS
135TH YEAR OF MINISTRY
DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER



Saturday, December 12th

On the East Church Parking Lot Corner
10:00 a.m – 1:00 p.m.



Toys for Tots



Drive Thru Santa



Santa's
Letter Box



CHRISTMAS
EVE
CELEBRATIONS

*Merry
Christmas*



Commitment to Students

At Pratt First United Methodist Church, we have made a commitment to our local schools. This has stemmed from both the commitment the Great Plains Annual Conference (Kansas and Nebraska) of the United Methodist Church made entering into partnerships with public schools in their communities to support schools, teachers, and students and our own desire to support the schools, teachers, and students to see our community and world transformed in positive ways.

Pratt First United Methodist Church has several ways that we fulfill this commitment and we strive to find new ways to partner with Pratt USD 382, Skyline USD 438, and Cunningham USD 332. This year, our congregation is praying for the teachers, administrators, and staff of these districts. We will pray for every teacher, staff member and administrator by name, each for a week. We will also pray for the schools and students.

Attending College/ University/Technical School? 2020-2021

Our church is asking all Pratt First United Methodist Church members or friends, who plan to attend college/university or technical school this fall, to complete the information below and return it to the church office, to Eunice Proctor or to Brenda Fowler as soon as possible. Please provide the information no later than the start of the semester. If you live in a dorm you may not be able to provide that address until you move in.

We also wish to display your photo with other college students in the hallway south of fellowship hall. We are asking students to provide a portrait billfold size photo (2 5/8 in. wide x 3 5/16 in. high) on photo paper for this display. This size is necessary for placement in the display board. Please leave the photo in the church office, give to Eunice Proctor or give to Brenda Fowler. Or you may email a portrait photo to Brenda Fowler @brenfowler@sctelcom.net.

To keep our college students in our thoughts and prayers, a church member will be designated as a prayer partner for each student who provides the requested information. The prayer partner will pray for the student daily and contact them by mail or e-mail. They may also remember you on your birthday and during final exams. We are interested in you and wish you well. You are encouraged to answer contacts from your prayer partner.

Eunice Proctor, 1326 E. Third St., Pratt, 672-5464, ek-proctor@sbcglobal.net

Brenda Fowler, 20351 SE 20th Ave., Pratt, 450-7517, brenfowler@sctelcom.net

Student Information

Name _____

Name of College/University/Technical School _____

School residence address _____

e-mail address _____

Date of Birth _____

Phone Number where you can be reached this summer: cell phone _____

Parent's phone _____

Parent's name _____

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December 1 Darrin Smith	December 9 Courtney Nicholson	December 24 Janis Moore
December 2 Jerree Fitzsimmons	December 9 Renee Wilson	December 25 Deb Jones
December 3 Kyle Bailey	December 10 Edna Harris	December 26 Tim Barker
December 3 Patrick Blasi	December 11 Amy Renner	December 26 Norman Bennett
December 3 Jayden Gish	December 12 Sidney Freeman	December 26 Mike Garrett
December 4 Nancy Boland	December 12 Jan Meyer	December 27 Carol Bonham
December 5 Darci Jones	December 14 Carl Swisher	December 27 Doug Meyer
December 5 Joshua Rathgeber	December 14 Max Younie	December 27 Gates Shrack
December 5 Irene Shumway	December 16 Marilyn Shanline	December 29 Linda Broce
December 6 Criss Booi	December 17 Tom Black	December 29 Fred Kerr
December 7 Belinda Galle	December 17 Emma Fowler	December 29 Mike Snell
December 7 Chance Henke	December 18 Evan Fowler	December 30 Dean Hoover
December 7 Gail Withers	December 19 Avery Jones	December 31 Kaleb Demuth
December 8 Jean Brown	December 20 Grant May	December 31 Weston Goyen
December 8 Kent L Moore	December 24 Jeremiah Eck	December 31 Lee Wilson
	December 24 Kelly Garretson	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

December 3 Elizabeth & James Norrish	December 23 Irene & Darrell Shumway
December 10 Debbie & Morgan Trinkle	December 27 Arica & Jeff Malone
December 18 Annette & Jimmy Lee	December 28 Lisa & Mark Fincham
December 21 Nancy & A.C. Boland	December 29 Cindy & Mike Snell
December 23 Kay & Rodney Lesh	December 29 Heather & Roy Winklepleck

FUMC Worship Service Will Be Online only for next two Sundays

Check weekly for updates during these unpredictable times

Each Sunday here at First United Methodist Church, we provide a unique worship experience.

Whether you are a life-long member or a first-time visitor, we welcome you to our congregation!

Our 10:00 a.m. Worship Service is recorded and uploaded to the church's Facebook page,

<https://www.facebook.com/PrattFirstUMC> and at the church website,

<http://prattumc.org/sermons.html> as soon as possible following the service.

No Sunday School Classes are meeting at this time.

December Calendar

If you have something that you would like to put in The Spire, please email Jane Bolen jane.bolen@yahoo.com or call her at 620 770-2110 by the 20th of the month before the next Spire.

November 2020	December 2020	January 2021
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 ■ 10:00 AM Church in the Sanctuary	30 ■ 7:30 AM Women's Bible Study, Alichia Van Slyke	1 ■ 6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	2 ■ 8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group ■ 9:30 AM Community Office Hours-Pastor Nicole at N'Cahtoots, 9:30 to noon ■ 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study	3 ■ 1:00 PM UMW Executive Committee, Conference Room ■ 5:30 PM Ladies Bible Study, Zoom	4	5
6 Second Sunday of Advent ■ 10:00 AM Church online only ■ 7:00 PM Boys Scouts	7 ■ 6:15 PM Circles-online	8 ■ 6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	9 ■ 8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group ■ 9:30 AM Community Office Hours-Pastor Nicole at N'Cahtoots, ■ 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study ■ 7:00 PM Trustees Committee Meeting	10 ■ 5:30 PM Ladies Bible Study, Zoom	11	12 ■ 10:00 AM On the East Parking Lot ■ 10:00 AM Drive Through Santa, Toys for Tots, Santa Letter Box 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
13 ■ 10:00 AM Church online only	14 ■ 6:15 PM Circles-online ■ 7:30 PM Women's Bible Study	15 ■ 6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	16 ■ 7:00 AM Rebekah Guild, Charmaine Swanepoil Resi- ■ 8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group ■ 9:30 AM Community Office Hours-Pastor Nicole at ■ 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study ■ 6:30 PM Praise Band Prac-	17 ■ 5:30 PM Ladies Bible Study, Zoom	18	19
20 ■ 10:00 AM Church in the Sanctuary, if safe, check for updates ■ 7:00 PM Boys Scouts	21 ■ 6:15 PM Circles-online	22 ■ 6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	23 No Activities Church Office Closed	24 Christmas Eve Church Office Closed ■ 5:30 PM In-Person Candlelight & Communion ■ 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Service in East Parking Lot (in cars)	25 Christmas Day Church Office Closed	26
27 ■ 10:00 AM Church in the Sanctuary, if safe, check for updates	28 ■ 6:15 PM Circles-online ■ 7:30 PM Women's Bible Study	29 ■ 6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	30 ■ 8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group ■ 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study	31 New Year's Eve Church Office Closed	1 New Year's Day Church Office Closed	2

Check weekly for updates for activities and services during these unpredictable times

MONDAYS

Quilters 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

Ladies Prayer Group 8:00 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

THURSDAYS

Ladies Bible Study, Zoom 5:30 p.m

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New text, email system

We have a new text and email system to share information about things going on at the church. If you would like to keep updated on things going on here, text CONNECT to (620) 254-8885. You can also follow this link:

<https://textinchurch.com/groups/familyform/MjA4Mjkw> to get set up.

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Office Hours:
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

You may pick up your copy of The Spire at the church. If you wish to have your name added to the email list, please advise Jacqueline Johnson at jjohnson@prattumc.org or Jane Bolen at jane.bolen@yahoo.com

Staff

Pastor.....Nicole Schwartz-Eck
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Praise Band Director Don Buhler
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