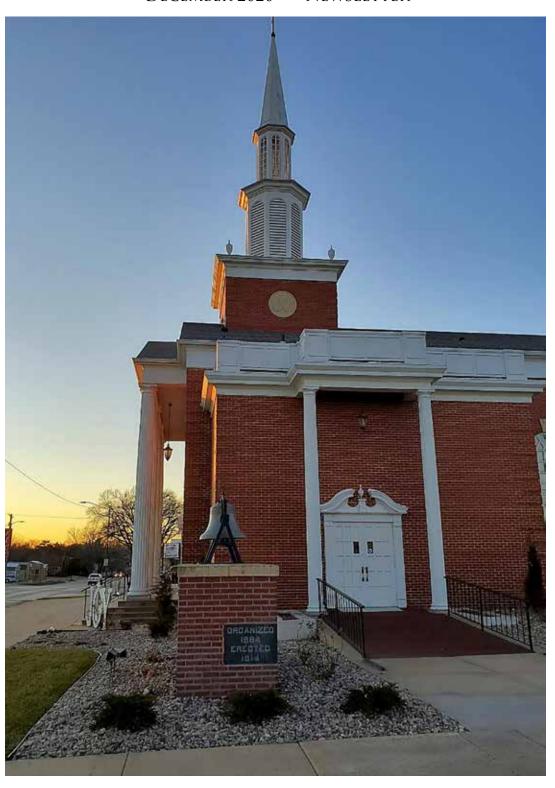
# THE SPIRE

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN PRATT, KS 135TH YEAR OF MINISTRY

DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER



## Saturday, December 12th

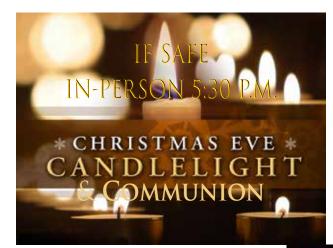
On the East Church Parking Lot Corner 10:00 a.m – 1:00 p.m.

Drive Thru Santa





Toys for Tots



# 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
Data of Rinth
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 24 Janis Moore December 9 Courtney Nicholson 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 26 Norman Bennett December 11 Amy Renner 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 29 Linda Broce December 16 Marilyn Shanline December 6 Criss Booi December 29 Fred Kerr December 17 Tom Black 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,

<u>http://prattumc.org/sermons.html</u> 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.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 AM Church in the Sanctuary	30 7:30 AM Women's Bible Study, Alichia Van Slyke	=6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	= 8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group = 9:30 AM Community Office Hours-Pastor Nicole at N'Cahoots, 9:30 to noon = 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study	3  1:00 PM UMW Executive Committe, 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	■6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group     9:30 AM Community Office Hours-Pastor Nicole at N'Cahoots,     10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study     7:00 PM Trustees Committee Meeting	= 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.m1:00 p.m.
13 10:00 AM Church online only	= 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-	= 5:30 PM Ladies Bible Study, Zoom	18	19
■ 10:00 AM Church in the Sanctuary, if safe, check for updates ■ 7:00 PM Boys Scouts	■6:15 PM Circles-online	=6:00 PM Advent Bible Study	No Activities Church Office Closed	Christmas Eve Church Office Closed  5:30 PM In-Person Candelight & 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	=6:15 PM Circles-online	29 <b>6</b> :00 PM Advent Bible Study	= 8:00 AM Ladies Prayer Group = 10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study	New Year's Eve Church Office Closed	New Year's Day Church Office Closed	2

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

Ladies Bible Study, Zoom 5:30 p.m

#### **MONDAYS**

Quilters 9:30 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study 7:30 p.m. THURSDAYS

**WEDNESDAYS** 

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





### 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
Business Manager	Jacqueline Johnson
Facilities Coordinator	Louis Keeling
Organist/Pianist	Jane Biles
Praise Band Director	Don Buhler
Audio/Video Coordinator	Jeremiah Eck