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# The Linwood Lindy



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Tis the Season – to make Resolutions!

Ah yes, even though Christmas is not quite here yet, it is not too soon to be thinking about your New Year's resolutions for 2025. The problem with such is that most are broken before MLK's birthday. (Just past mid-January.) It occurs to me that maybe the problem is that we are taking this task much too seriously. If we made our resolutions a little more "tongue-in-cheek," perhaps we would have more success keeping them? Maybe?

With that in mind, you might want to consider some of the following:

- Order every drink on the Starbucks Menu sometime during the year.
- "Flamingo" a friend's yard for their birthday or an anniversary. (You know, get about a hundred of those obnoxious plastic pink yard-art creations and stick them in their yard.)
- Be on a first name basis with your local Door Dasher.
- Perfect your favorite celebrity impression.
- See how many times you can watch your favorite series back-to-back without getting bored of it.
- Carry a supply of gum or mints with you everywhere you go and be the friend that always has them to offer after meals.
- Work the expression, "time will tell," into your conversation at least once a week.
- Book at least one overnight stay in an Airbnb treehouse, teepee, or Airstream.
- Invite someone to church.

OK, so that last one is not meant to be funny. But, it is kind of funny how it never shows up on anyone's list and just might be the best resolution any of us to keep. What do you say we give it a try?



Pastor Frank

#### Thoughts & Prayers

#### Health Issues:

Martha Etheridge, Marilyn Henegen, Doreta Terry, Anne Crapo, Judy Mecher, John Jones



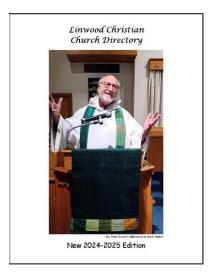
#### Prayers have been asked for:

Jerry & Sue Meyers, Brian Slowinski, Aaron Cepeda, Tobby Parson, Jake Marshall, Jessie Patton, Sheila Patton, Rob Welch, Megan Clouse, Bud Riddle, Billie Carson, Karen Raub, Doug Engle, Floyd Nott, Jenn Streyckmans, Margie Wilson, Rob Ammerman, Louise Scrougham, Jerry Dishinger, Nancy Schoen, George Hill, Dan Bernd, Rebecca Trombley, Charlotte Schumaker, Christopher Ignaut, Damea Carr, Dan Rau, Larry Nigh, Katrina Habig, Tom May, Charles Weaver, Mary Tyson

### We join with God's loving concerns for those facing life's difficult times:

Tom & Nancy Horstman, Faye Carson, Doug Wickham, Linda Bernd, John McMillan, Debbie Ignaut

*Prayers of Condolences offered for the family and friends of:* John Mohr who passed away on October 17<sup>th</sup>, Jose Garcia on his passing November 18<sup>th</sup>, John Dalton who passed away November 19<sup>th</sup>, Karrie Lindley's friend and neighbor, Ken Edinburg, who passed away recently; Pastor Frank's sister-in-law, Sandy Everett, passed on November 26<sup>th</sup>; Brad Matthews' mother, Claudia Howdyshell, passed away on November 28<sup>th</sup>; the List and McManus families on the passing of our own dear friend, Michael List, on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

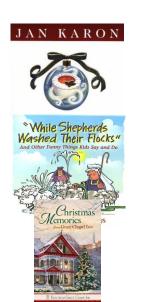


## **Updated Church Directory**

An updated version of the church directory has been prepared and is ready to distribute. Limited printed copies will be available at the church office and narthex on Sunday mornings in December. Please take only one per household, and consider delivering one to households whose members are unable to attend.

A perpetually updated copy of this directory is always available at the church website: <a href="https://linwoodchristian.org/members.html">https://linwoodchristian.org/members.html</a>
If you desire one sent out-of-town, please submit your request to <a href="mailto:directory@linwoodchristian.org">directory@linwoodchristian.org</a> or mail your request to the church. Please keep in mind that mailing costs are about \$2.25 per copy and consider helping out. So far, we have received no requests.

# The Book Nook



We have some delightful Christmas reading available in the library. <u>Esther's Gift</u> by Jan Karon is about Esther's decision to bake her annual batch of yummy orange marmalade cakes; but she decided that it was too expensive until she is reminded of what the gift really means.

<u>While Shepherds Washed Their Flocks</u> by Liz Higgs is a delightful collection of quotes from kids about Christmas. They are honest, outrageous, wildly imaginative, and very funny.

<u>Christmas Memories at Grace Chapel Inn</u> from Guideposts is about three sisters who reminisce about their favorite Christmas memories. The book celebrates faith, family and the beauty of Christmas.

Joan Woodruff

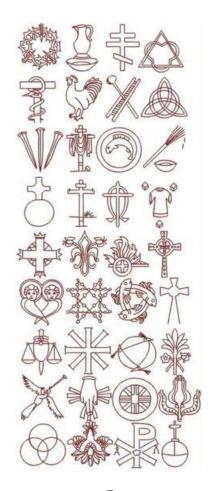
Church Librarian



Ed Urban continues to lead the class on a journey through the book of **Psalms**, adding insight and commentary as we go.

We meet for 30 minutes on Sunday mornings at 9:25 in the library. Stop by the parlor and bring your coffee and snack along to class.

# The Most Wonderful Time ...



We eagerly anticipate what is certainly the "most wonderful time of the year"... the time when we express sincere gratitude for all our many blessings...the time when we celebrate the awesome miracle of Christ's wondrous birth. Gathering with family and friends can be one of the most cherished moments of the season.

At the same time there are dear loved ones who no longer celebrate here with us. We hold them close to our hearts. It is in that spirit, that we offer a gift of new sacred ornaments and Chrismons to adorn our sanctuary Christmas tree, in memory of our mothers, Phyllis Thompson and Donna Metzger. It is fitting at this very musical time that we also honor our Music Director, Beth Aubrey-Meyer.

We hope these ornaments inspire your worship and devotion during this sacred season.

Mary Clouse and Vickie Pastrick P.S. Explanations of the Chrismon symbols are available in the Narthex.

# Special Events Coming Up

January 1 Happy New Year

January 5 Epiphany Sunday

January 11 Taking down of the Greens

October-November-December RUMMAGE ROOM Mystery Dates

Last chance for \$5 Bag Sale from the Hardgoods Room (Knickknacks/Household/etc.). Get your Christmas shopping done early. Also look for the End-of-year Sale after Christmas

# Have a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Entries for next Lindy: November 16th, 4p 4424 E Michigan Street

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Your Lindy Crew

# Manger Scene



The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.