

KEITH'S QUILL



The weather has finally changed in Moab. It is winter now. The furnace comes on earlier and runs longer. It seems dark most of the time. But yet as the cold creeps in upon us we have so many things to warm our hearts. Christmas is less than a month away. Cyber Monday is past. I see Christmas lights being turned on now and many more will soon follow. Trees will light up the living rooms around town and many children will find themselves filled with excitement. My wish for this year is that every child will find a gift under their tree and that every parent will know the joy of giving to his or her children. A nation like ours that lives with so much abundance should leave no one behind at Christmas. If you are aware of a needy

family and are not able to help them, please let me know and our church will.

Christmas falls on a Sunday this year. There was a temptation to dismiss services as so many will be occupied that day and some of us will not have recovered from our traditional and beautiful Christmas Eve service. It seems right to us to go ahead and hold our services on Sunday. What better day really to gather and celebrate the coming of our Lord then his actual birthday. We will have a time of singing and sharing along with a short devotional that morning. We are hoping that many of you will take that time to come and worship with us. I would like to make this a come-as-you-are Sunday. Yes PJ's

are fine. Dress warm and comfortable and come. We will have coffee and hot chocolate before the service and you will be home way before you need to worry about lunch.

This Sunday is Dianne and my Thirty-year Anniversary at the Community Church. It can't be that long, can it? I am grateful for every year that I have spent in this beautiful place with such amazing people. I thank God for the opportunity to be your Pastor and to have learned so much from each of you. I hope to have a few more years, Lord willing, but for now I am so grateful for the last thirty. Your support and friendship has made them so delightful and God remains a gracious guide. Thanks. PK

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF MOAB SUNDAY SERVICE

TIMES:

10:00 a.m. -
Morning Worship
11:00 a.m. -
Fellowship Time

GREETERS FOR DECEMBER:

Dec. 4:
Joyce Barlow &
Family

Dec, 11: Juanita
Laurencis & Helen
Becker

Dec. 18: Brian &
Tara Penner

Dec. 25th: Lois
Jamison & Sue
Batchelder



Christmas Day! Come in your Christmas morning attire and let's worship the Lord together. Hats welcome, makeup not expected.



Moab Young Life/Wyldlife Groups will be celebrating Christmas together on December 7th @ 7:00 p.m. at the MARC. We won't have any more clubs in December, rather we will be working with students in preparation for our Mr. 2017 Pageant in January.

We have *Girls Coffee Time* on Tuesdays at 6:45 a.m. (call me for meeting location) and *Guys Breakfasts* on Fridays at 6:45 a.m. at James and Aaron's house (749 Mountain View). We would love to thank everyone who helped make 2016 such an amazing year!! Silas & Sarah Rappe



Thank you, Thank You, to everyone who made up a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child. We had a total of 378 shoeboxes taken to the Distribution Center in Grand Junction. The last report was the Distribution Center had 9,012 boxes from the Western Colorado/Eastern Utah area. A special "THANKS" to Donna and Jim Hofmann for the many hours they spent coordinating this important ministry here in Moab.

One of our traditions here at Community Church is to compile Cookie Plates and take them to various people in our church family. For anyone interested, we will be meeting on Tuesday, December 13th at 1:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. We have all the plates, ribbons, hot chocolate and hot cider for those who participate... All we need are COOKIES. Please bring a couple dozen of your favorite cookies and help us put these Cookie Plates together.

Dianne will be sharing a favorite Christmas story with everyone before we deliver the plates throughout our church family.



DECEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1.	2.	3.
4. Communion	5.	6.	7. **6:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast at Moab Grill	8.	9.	10.
11. Deacon's Fund Offering Received	12.	13. 1:00 p.m. Making COOKIE PLATES	14. ** 7:00 Night of Worship	15.	16.	17.
18. Christmas Celebration at Community Church	19.	20.	21. **	22.	23.	24. 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
25. Christmas Day 10:00 a.m. Worship	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.	31. NEW YEAR'S EVE

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

1)Ken Erbes, Matt Smith 2)Samantha Campbell 3)Shane Renn 6)Neal West
9)Octayvia Knight 10)Jayden Dowd, Nicholas Hren, Rhiannon Hren, Jed Lawley
12)Sue Batchelder, Deloris Erbes, Annie Relph 15)Cora Johnston 16)Tiffany Johnston
17)Reece Disbro, Zuri Hughes, James Ritchey 18)Stephanie Haycock, Christopher Hren
18)Paula Radcliffe 20)Kinsey Larsen 25)Colby Figeley 29)Lane Berry 31)Michael Diem,
Ross Tabberer, Jon Weisbecker

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November Funds Report

Given in 2016: \$222,172

Budget Need: \$213,620

On-Line Giving for November: \$2100.00

Income for the month: \$ 18,522.62

Expenses for the month: \$23,387.53

Average Worship Attendance: 127.5

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

Christmas at Community...

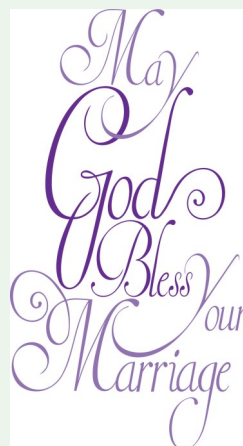
It has been our custom to have a "Birthday Party for Jesus" each year. This is always a fun time. It's different this year. There are so many of our people that put on that party that are gone this year, that it was decided to not try it. On Sunday, December 18th, we will be giving each child that attends church, a sack of goodies and each adult a Christmas Devotional Booklet. We will continue our tradition of decorating the Sanctuary and lighting the Advent Candles each Sunday of Advent. We will be having our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 7:00 p.m. Come early for a seat as it is always a big crowd. We will be having a special Christmas Day Service on Sunday the 25th. Plan now to join us!



Our love and sympathy to the family of I. D. (Skip) Nightingale. He passed away in Farmington, NM on November 5th. Skip was an active member here for many years. Our love to all of Jill and Gary Jacobson's

family during the loss of Jill's father, Skip.

Also our sympathy to Linda and Tom Warren. Linda's father, Ed Stone, passed away on November 11th in Loveland, Colorado. Tom and Linda continue to stay in Loveland and care for her mother at this time.



Congratulations to Maggie Johnston and Troy Langworthy. They had a beautiful ceremony here on Saturday, November 26th. Maggie is the daughter of our own Dwight and Susie Johnston. We praise God for Maggie and Troy as they celebrate their new life together. They will be living here in Moab.