



**WEST CENTER**  
Baptist Church

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LORD'S DAY • DECEMBER 2, 2018

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of  
the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

*Matthew 28:19*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Call to Worship

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Prayer of Invocation

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Worship Through Song

Isaiah 53

{Offering} O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O Praise the Name (Anastasis)

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Scripture Reading

Luke 1:26-38

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Pastoral Prayer

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Sermon

Conceived by the Holy Spirit (Part I)

Luke 1:26-38

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Baptism

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Benediction

# ADVENT READING

*There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. And his delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. Isaiah 11:1-2a*

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY, December 2nd

9:30 a.m.    Worship Service ..... Worship Center  
10:00 a.m.    Children's Church (3yr-5yr) ..... Fellowship Hall

### MONDAY, December 3rd

6:30 p.m.    Life Group ..... Dave & Barb Bishop (1030 N Washington Ave)  
6:30 p.m.    Life Group ... Trevor & Stephanie Schubert (ask for details)  
7:30 p.m.    Life Group ..... Joel & Holly Molascon (ask for details)

### WEDNESDAY, December 5th

6:00 p.m.    MS Ignite (Youth) ..... Parsonage (419 NW 6th St.)  
7:30 p.m.    HS Ignite (Youth) ..... Parsonage

## STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Justin DeBerry, Senior Pastor—[justin.d@westcenterbaptist.com](mailto:justin.d@westcenterbaptist.com)  
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Office Hours: M - F: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Elders: Joel Molascon, Brett Pierce, Doug Sims, and Dave Thayer  
Deacons: Ben Liscano, Angela Peters, Duane Pierce, Keefe Nelson,  
and Marli Wiese

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BAPTISM

**TODAY**, during the Worship Service.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PRACTICE

**TODAY**, after the Service meet by the stage.

## NEW MEMBERS SUNDAY

**Sunday, December 9th** during the worship service.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

**Sunday, December 9th** our kids will participate in the Worship Service with singing and reading scripture.

## YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Wednesday, December 5th** normal youth group time & location. Wear your ugliest Christmas sweater and bring a used, silly or inexpensive gift to exchange.

## ANNUAL MEETING

**Sunday, December 16th at 11:00 a.m.** Potluck in the Fellowship Hall with the meeting to follow. Please bring a dish to share. Childcare will be provided.

## CROSS CONFERENCE

**January 2-5, 2019 in Louisville, KY.** This conference is for 18-25 year olds and their leaders. Depart on Jan. 1st and return on Jan. 6th. If you are interested, please contact Trevor for more details.

<https://crossforthenations.org/>

NOV. 25TH, 2018    ATTENDANCE: 156    GENERAL: \$5,353.60



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# CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT (PART I)

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Justin DeBerry

Luke 1:26-38

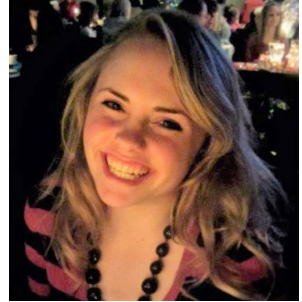
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**Next Week:** Conceived by the Holy Spirit (Part II) - Luke 1:26-38



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# MEGAN LANG



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I was blessed to be raised in a Christian household and have always had God's word in my life. It was a long process throughout my childhood as God worked in my heart and convicted me of the fact that simply being a child of Christian parents was not good enough, and all the scripture memory verses and good behavior in the world could not save me, for I was already "dead in [my] trespasses and sins."

Around 12 years old, I believe the Holy Spirit brought me to a realization that I didn't know if I was going to Heaven and gave me the gift of conviction over the sins that I knew were separating me from Him. So, I confessed my sin, knowing and trusting that only Jesus could and would save me from myself. Since that point, I can look back and see the Holy Spirit's work in my life as I grew; everything that I have experienced throughout my life has been guided and used by Him to draw me closer to Him and teach me more about Himself.

Now I can see that even the ugly times when I "backslid" and knowingly sinned against Him without repentance for periods of time were redeemed for good through His plan. He has always patiently drawn me back to Him despite my own wayward behaviors even after all He has done for me. God has used the guilt over those times that I felt separated from Him to teach me about the precious, unconditional, "immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward [me]," and the forgiveness that He gives freely. Even through my own sin God has taught me to love Him more, and to cling to His promises of salvation by grace alone as "a gift of God, not a result of works," knowing that nothing – not even my own sin – can ever separate from this gift and His love. (Ephesians 2:1-10)



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# JACKIE FOLAND

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My mom tells me I was compassionate for others who are suffering at a very young age. Two years ago, during Awana, John 3:16 became my favorite verse. "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

When I'm reminded of sin in my life and I confess it I felt sad and happy at the same time knowing God forgives me and will help me. I was saved by Jesus Christ two years ago when I was 7. I prayed that day with Doug Sims. I want everyone in the world to be happy and believe in God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

One thing I love to do is pray for others. I pray for them to believe in God, to help the sick, and for families. Thank you for celebrating my baptism with me!



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# APRIL KURTZ



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I was blessed to be born into a Christian family, where generations before me prayed for me. God heard their prayers, and my heart was turned to Him as a child. I grew up in the church and have always been surrounded by family and others who encouraged me to choose Jesus. As a teen I started reading my Bible daily and memorizing Scripture, habits which have continued to build my faith and love for Jesus.

Isaac and I married after college, and God has blessed me with a man who loves the Lord; together we seek Him as we raise our family. I thank God that his mercies are new every morning (Lamentations 3:23), and that Jesus' power is made perfect in my weakness (2 Corinthians 12:9). Every day we choose how to live, and I try to choose 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, "Be joyful always; pray continuously; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Hard times have taught me that it is God's joy, the Holy Spirit praying when I don't have words, and thankfulness for all God has done and promises to do—that this verse can be true when I have an eternal mindset. God is faithful.

I am a sinner and deserve death, but because of God's great love for me, I am not consumed, by this life or in eternity. God, in His great mercy, took my sin upon Himself and washed me clean. Therefore, I am no longer dead in my sin, but a new creation, free in Christ and filled with the Holy Spirit.

The purpose of my life is to give glory to God, and I pray that by His grace my life may be a blessing to Him and to others.