



From The Church at the St John Church of Christ

In the first chapter of the gospel of John we are introduced to Jesus as the Word. In verse 14 John tells us that the Word (Jesus) became flesh and dwelt among us. What does it mean that Jesus, the Son of God, became flesh and dwelt among us on this earth?

This is a difficult thing to wrap our minds around. Jesus was, and is, God, but he gave that up to become a human. That is a tremendous showing of love on his part. Why would he do that? The omnipotent Creator of the universe became a person just like you and me. Why would he do that?

Jesus felt, understood, and prevailed over the very same emotions, struggles, fears, doubts, joys, pleasures, and experiences that you and I do as humans. He became like us. He struggled like we do; yet he was without sin. He never succumbed to the snare of sin like we do. Jesus came into the world as a vulnerable newborn baby in very humble beginnings. He wasn't born to rich parents. He wasn't born in a nice hospital. He wasn't born in the best province – he was from Nazareth (a place looked down on during his day) of all places.

I think Jesus became flesh and dwelt among us because he loved us so much. Jesus is an exact imprint of God's character. He reveals to us who God is. Jesus wants us to be saved because God wants all creation to be saved. Jesus humbled himself and became a servant, a servant who was willing to endure immense suffering in this life in order to show us the glory of God. A glory that is of the one and only Son of the Father, who was full of grace and truth.

In Our Prayers

Don Hornbaker
Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Shannon Bauer
Elmer Schuette
Maggie Harris
Carol Gingrich
Jerry Garcia

Kay Kinnamon
Brenda Staub
Madison Cole
Rick Rodness
Mark Naes
Lori Lamar
Hadley Bright
Susan Mayer (Chet's sister)

Sally Truitt
Paul Phillips (Zeb's brother)
Mabel Morien (Jess's grandma)
David Rice
Tanna Martin
Ronnie Harris (Zach's grandpa)
Audie Thornburg

Upcoming Events

Christmas Eve Gathering [Tonight]

We will be joining the Stafford Church of Christ for an evening of praise to the Savior tonight. It will start at 4:00 pm, but people will start gathering at 3:30. We plan to be done by 5 pm.

Glow Party [December 28]

The youth are invited to a glow party on December, 28 from 7:00-9:00 pm at the Eastwood Church of Christ in Hutchinson. Let Zeb know if you want to go and he can take the youth.

50 year Wedding Anniversary [December 30]

You are invited to a come and go reception for Carl and Janet Feril to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, December 30, 2023 from 1-3 pm at the VFW Hall at 303 S. Main, Stafford, KS.

Save the Date:

March 29-30 - LTC in Kansas City
April 12-13 - Women Walking with God



Birthdays this week:

Morgan Gunter - December 26

Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Richard and Shelly Breising

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Sound System: Jessica Carter

Gathering: #1001 – Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Welcome: Chris Mansel

Scripture Reading: Stan Aldricn (John 1:14)

Shepherd's Prayer: Richard Breising

Song: #1002 – Angels We Have Heard On High

Song: #995 – It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Communion: Jerry Kinnamon

Song: #999 – The First Noel

Lesson: Zeborah Carter

Song: #1012 – Go Tell It On the Mountain

Closing Prayer: Chris Stott

Sundays: Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am
Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am
Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Breising, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril
Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril
Minister: Zeborah Carter