

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Matthew 1:18-21, Matthew 2:1-6 (NKJV)

- 18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit.
- 19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly.
- 20 But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.
- 21 And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."

- 1 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem,
- 2 Saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."
- 3 When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.
- 4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.
- 5 So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet:
- 6 ' But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.'"

Worship Leaders

Today

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J Danforth
N Weinzettel
S Kaufman, E Douglas
S Weinzettel, N Weinzettel
N Cheek

Next Week

J Williamson
A Cheek
J Diercks
J Danforth
L Irimie
A Winans, G Alves
S Kaufman, E Kaufman
JIn Benjamin

Speaker
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Offering/Scripture
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Cherokee Seventh-day Adventist Church

We welcome our guests today and are pleased you have chosen to worship with us.
We hope you will visit with us again soon.

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

January 1, 2011

11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Call to Reverence

Matthew 1:18-21
(Chimes)

Marcus Leopoldo
Julia Danforth

Musical Call to Worship* The Lord Is In His Holy Temple

Julia Danforth

Invocation

Todd Danforth

*Hymn of Praise ***

There's a Song in the Air

No. 120

Welcome, Family Sharing Prayer

Todd Danforth

*Prayer Hymn**

*O Come to My Heart Lord Jesus
There is Room In My Heart for Thee*

No. 140 Refrain

Offering

Cherokee Church Budget

Marcus Leopoldo

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 694

Children's Story

MUST Ministries

Janet Diercks

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-6

Marcus Leopoldo

Sermon

Jesus' Earthy Years
(based on Matthew 2:11-23)

Pastor John Williamson

Hymn of Dedication

As With Gladness Men of Old

No. 123

Benediction

Pastor John Williamson

Postlude

Julia Danforth

Dismissal at your leisure following Postlude

*Congregation Please Kneel

** Congregation Please Stand

"And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, "He shall be called a Nazarene."

Matthew 2:23 (NKJV)

Our Mission Statement

By God's grace, to reflect His loving character to our community, to provide a place to grow spiritually, and to present the Bible in a manner that will lead people into a richer, more joyous relationship with Christ and His church.

THE CHURCH IN STUDY

January 1, 2011		9:45 a.m.
Songs of Praise		Nancy Weinzettel
Theme Song		
Prayer		Nancy Weinzettel
Adult Study - EMOTIONS	Sanctuary	Diane Williamson
(2 SAMUEL 13, GAL. 5:22, COL. 3:12-14, LUKE 19:41-44, JOHN 16:20-24.)	Fellowship	Nancy Weinzettel
		Roy Musgrave
	Preparation for Baptism	John Williamson

Sabbath lessons are available online for all ages and languages at www.ssnet.org

Memory Text

"I tell you the truth, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy"

(John 16:20, NKJV).

Adult Study - Sabbath, January 8th DIVINE PROVISION FOR ANXIETY

WEEK AT A GLANCE: Many things out of our control can cause anxiety, but God has made provisions for our every need, and He asks us to trust Him and choose not to be afraid.

THE CHURCH IN PRAYER

Prayer Meeting will resume January 19, 2011

EVENTS, MEETINGS & FELLOWSHIP

Today, January 1st

- Sabbath ends today at 5:40 p.m. and begins again Friday at 5:45 p.m.

Sabbath, January 8th

- Communion Sabbath

Monday, January 17th

- Church Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

THAT YOU MAY KNOW



Communion Sabbath January 8, 2011

What is Jesus' promise in regard to pain and grief?

John 16:20-24 offers great hope to anyone going through physical or psychological pain. Here are a few things that can be learned from this text:

- The world seems to be full of joy. Often the believer looks around and is reminded of the unfairness of life. Wicked people seem to enjoy themselves, while many committed to God are in pain. But Jesus assures us that this will not go on forever. Besides, appearances often are deceiving. We naturally tend to view others as being happier and more successful than we are.
- Grief, sorrow and anguish will turn to joy. This is the core of Jesus' promise. Believers must treasure the idea that sorrow will not only pass away but give way to joy.
- Past pain will be forgotten. Memories of the unpleasant past often cause much distress. Many psychotherapists work painstakingly to remove the effects of the past in their client's present life. Jesus assures us that, just as a woman gives birth and forgets about the pains at the sight of the newborn, His followers will one day move beyond the pain of the past.
- No one will take away our joy. The type of joy Jesus offered is not the same as we now understand it. Jesus is offering us total happiness, an eternal condition that no enemy can take away from the saved.
- There will be no needs. Jesus affirms that the righteous will no longer ask anything. They will not need to make requests and supplications to Jesus, because all their needs will have been met.

Ugly Bulbs

Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 51-57

What you sow does not come to life unless it dies.---1 Corinthians 15:36 (NRSV)

What an odd gift to bring to a grieving widow, I thought as I opened the white box a choir member had brought me. Inside were a dozen shriveled, brown bulbs.

She explained, "When our son died several years ago, a friend brought us tulip bulbs to plant. When they bloomed, we were to remember the Resurrection. I want to do the same for you."

Because my thumb is browner than the soil in which the bulbs would be planted, I enlisted the help of a friend. In the gray, dreary weather of November, we planted those ugly, brown bulbs in the border around the patio where my green-thumbbed husband had raised many lovely flowers. When spring came, there they were — red and yellow tulips bursting with life and beauty.

I was reminded of First Corinthians. As the seed must die in order to become a living plant, we too must die in order to enter fully the kingdom of eternal life. That spring I enjoyed the tulips and thanked God for the promise of resurrection.

Sally Woodard (West Virginia)
Upper Room Devotional, Dec. 30, 2010

PRAYER Loving God, help us not to despair but to find comfort in the many ways you come to us. Amen.

In times of grief, God reminds us of the hope we have in Jesus' resurrection.