

Communion at FOCUS

Every Sunday at FOCUS we celebrate the Lord's Table, also known as Communion. We have open communion, which means you do not have to be a member to receive with the rest of the church congregation. Please note, upon your request, we also have gluten free elements for those with gluten and other major food allergies. For a list of ingredients, please see Linda Griffith.

Sunday Evening Prayer and Study Gathering 6:30-8PM

Our prayer group will not be meeting for the next two Sunday evenings due to Christmas and New Years. We look forward to seeing you January 8, 2017!

FOCUS Youth Group Announcements

- > Youth Group will begin meeting again on **January 8, 6:30-8PM.**
- > There is a **Spring Youth Retreat coming up March 3-5.** The event is open to high school and middle school students. The event will be held at the District Campgrounds in Jamestown, TN. Please contact Pastor Anton if you would like further details, and if your child is interested in attending this weekend retreat. afolz@focuswesleyan.org or 502-369-2096



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MERRY
Christmas

THANKS FOR JOINING US

Local Church Conference January 1, 2017

As we look forward with anticipation to the new year rapidly approaching, please mark your calendar and plan to stay after the 11am service on **January 1, 2017** for our annual Local Church Conference. This is our annual local church gathering where members of FOCUS vote and elect Board members to serve on our governing Local Church Board. This year we will be receiving nominations and electing four church members to serve on the current Local Church Board which consists of twelve lay members and our pastor. In total our board has thirteen members, four of which have served their term. Please take time today and over the next week to prayerfully make nominations for these crucial roles within the leadership of our church. As outlined by The Discipline of the Wesleyan Church; *“All board members shall be adult covenant members, whose lives bear witness to the grace of holy living (297:1; 302:3; 552:2-3; 553:1-2); who are in harmony with our Articles of Religion, Covenant Membership Commitments, and the authority of The Discipline in matters of church government (297:3; 553:1-2); and who are faithful in worship attendance, involved in personal ministry, and supportive of the church financially at least to the level of personal tithing (265:3; 297:4)”* *See Chapter 5, Paragraph 752 of The Discipline 2012. Please submit your nominations via the drop box on the information counter. By way of reference, our current board includes the following: Jill Hawse, Melanie Bishop, Kenneth Thompson, and Alice Farley (1-year term remaining) and Kevin Farley, Christy Mann, Jeff Bishop, and Andy Griffith. (2-year term remaining).

December 25, 2016
FOCUS Wesleyan Church
Christmas Sunday
Main Passage: Matthew 2:1-12

Matthew 2:16-18

GOLD: Represents His Royalty and _____

Notes:

Luke 2:4-7

Frankincense: Represents His

Notes:

John 1:1-4

Myrrh: Representing His _____ and _____

Notes:

Isaiah 60:6

*What could you give Jesus this
Christmas morning?*

1. Give Jesus your _____
2. Make Jesus _____
_____ in your life
3. Give Jesus your _____
4. _____ others to Jesus

Reflection: What is one new thing you believe God spoke to you today as a result of worshipping at FOCUS?

What is your **next step** upon hearing God's Word? Many people missed the birth of Jesus Christ. How might you be intentional this coming week to acknowledge His first coming while preparing yourself, your family and others for His Second coming? Have you given Jesus your trust, first place in your life, your heart, and have you brought others to Jesus?

Challenge: This week I will pray for the following local life-giving church: