

December 24 – December 30

24 Sunday	25 Monday	26 Tuesday	27 Wednesday	28 Thursday	29 Friday	30 Saturday
Christmas Eve	Christmas Day	College Bible study @ 7:00 p.m.				Wubbena's Birthday

0 birthdays and 1 anniversary.

December 17, 2023

Contribution: \$2,027.00

Attendance: 31

Campus minister: **Caleb Hughes**
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Welcome to the Alpine church of Christ

December 24, 2023



Ordinary people serving an extraordinary God.



For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Order of Service

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Song

Song

Opening Prayer/Scripture Reading

Song before Lord's Supper

Lord's Supper

Song before lesson

Lesson

Invitation Song

Closing Song

Closing Prayer

Prayer list for the week of 12/24/2023

A blue highlight indicates new prayer requests or updates for the week.

Church family:

Friends and family:

Helm baby- 2 yrs old, w/ epilepsy, growth delays, & other health complications, needs complete healing of her disorder. Prayers are also requested for her to recover from a current illness that has her in ICU. **UPDATE: Weaning off ventilators and pain meds, hopefully going home next week.**

Kavala family- for the loss of Jim Kavala, Will's brother-in-law

Chipper Prude- friend of Liddell's, had leg amputated. Prayers for healing.

Lorenza Lujan passed away. Please pray for the family.

Ongoing prayer list for people and situations that need our focused, continuous prayers:

Brooks Freeland, a friend of the Borders, required another surgery but is recovering.

Pam Morpew recently had brain surgery for a brain tumor and has cancer.

Paul Snelson had successful heart surgery to replace valves. Pray for Judy as she helps Paul.

Joe Honesto, a friend of Will, needs our prayers.

Jimmy Salcido friend of the Liddell's just found out he has cancer.

His Blessings are Eternally Satisfying

Dan Jenkins

This Sunday I will partake of the Lord's Supper for the 3,819th time. I vividly remember the first time I sat at His table and meditated on all that Jesus had done for me. I have never tired of that time of meditation, and communion is even more moving now than it was that first time. There are some things that we must never count as ordinary and outdated. Consider these timeless, eternal truths that are part of our soul.

The worship of God must never grow old. I decided more than seventy years ago, and I never have to decide if I will worship God every Sunday. How can we not worship the one "in whom we live and move and have our being" (**Acts 17:28**)? Daniel reminded King Nebuchadnezzar that it is "God who holds your breath in His hand and owns all of you" (**Dan. 5:23**). It is Jehovah God who is responsible for every good and perfect gift that comes to us (**Jas. 1:17**). As long as I remember these truths, how could worshipping Him ever grow old!

Singing must never grow old. When we properly understand how God views our singing, we will understand this truth. Singing is not properly sounding "Do-Re-Mi" at the proper pitch. Singing is not focused on making sure we noticed whether a note gets a full beat or two beats. God says nothing about the quality of the vocal aspects of singing. He is concerned about the melody coming from our hearts, not the melody coming from our vocal cords (**Eph. 5:19**). The prophet Isaiah describes the hearts of those who truly worship God. "The ransomed of the Lord shall... come to Zion with singing, with everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness; sorrow and sighing shall flee away" (**Isa. 51:11**).

Listening to the proclamation of God's words should never grow old. I remember as a younger preacher how Franklin Camp listened to my preaching. He had at that time studied the Bible for six hours each day for the previous forty years. What could a young preacher like me say that he had never spent hours studying? Yet he listened to the truths I was talking about like it was the first time he had ever heard it. I preached for years with him in the audience. It was not my preaching that brought it about! He was one who hungered and thirsted to know all he could about righteousness. It was not my words, but His words that filled this older man's desire to know God's will.

Now think about it. What is there in a Christian's life that should ever grow old? This world has nothing to be compared to what God has given us that never grows old. Let me urge you to think soberly about the thoughts in this article. Let us never grow tired of all our God has given us!