

## Women's Ministries Bible Study

**Beth Moore - *Mercy Triumphs* (Book of James)**  
*8 Sessions Cost is \$20.00*

Mondays at 10:00 am - begins January 6th

**Or**

Thursdays at 7:00 pm - begins January 9th

*Both classes meet in the Fireside Room*

## Precepts

*Sometimes it is helpful to know what is coming . . .  
 so later you do not say, "I wish I had known about that."*

The next Precepts Bible study on Daniel (called Daniel - Part 2) will begin in January 2014, followed by the study of Revelation (four courses). Anyone can join a Precepts Bible study at the beginning of any course, however these five courses on prophecy certainly flow one to another. Thus, taking them in their entirety would be the most meaningful.

If you have any questions, call Dottie at 835-5080. If interested, watch for registration information. The class meets Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30.

### Office Hours

The church office is staffed Monday through Thursday from 9-5:00 and Friday from 9-4:00. Currently Merilee covers Monday & Tuesday while Dan is in the office Wednesday through Friday. Please don't hesitate to contact them with questions.

### The Children's Sunday School Christmas Program will be held during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, December 15th.

### Christmas Worship Services

**December 24**  
 Christmas Eve service - 5:00

**December 29**  
 One worship service at 9:30 & no Sunday School classes

*We will follow our regular two service format, including Sunday School classes, December 22nd and January 5th.*

## AWANA Club Corner

### Special Dates

January 1 - No AWANA

January 15 - Bring a Friend Night

January 22 - Pie in the Eye Night

**MAKS**  
Moms And Kids

**MAKS is an organization for mothers of young children.**

*Join us on the first & third Tuesday of each month in the Fireside Room from 10-noon.*

**December 3rd**

*Begin this Christmas Season at MAKS as we make a great ornament for your tree!*

**December 17th**

*Join us for a fun Gift Exchange Game! Please bring a \$5 gift in a non-see-thru bag. We'll enjoy Christmas Brunch, too!*

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life”? How refreshing it is to bring thirsty seekers to the spring of living water, Jesus Christ! How gratifying and fun it is to observe people as they begin to experience the great freedom and joy found in the life abundant Jesus came to give (John 10:10)! We are blessed people to know the Truth, Jesus Christ, and the good news He brought to this world!

As we approach the Christmas season, may the wonder and awe of Jesus Christ and the salvation message He brought to this world fill us with joy. I'm confident that our focus, every moment of every day, should be to represent Him and His Kingdom well. Our supreme purpose should be introducing people to Jesus Christ. Saving people from a Christless eternity and helping them experience the supernatural reality of knowing God personally provides the greatest joy and satisfaction a person can experience this side of eternity. This surely needs to be our focus because it is God's will!

May God's presence bring peace and refreshment to your soul as you celebrate the gift of his Son. I'm trusting that the Lord will enable all of us to lovingly share with others the gift He has given us in Jesus Christ.

God bless you,  
*Pastor Howard*

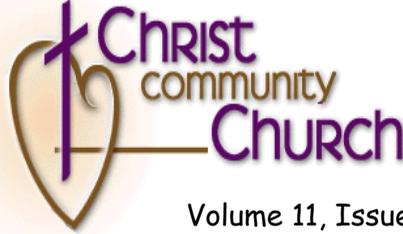
DECEMBER 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <b>8:00 Worship</b> <b>9:30 S.S.</b> <b>10:45 Worship</b> <b>5:00 Prayer</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>10:00 MAKS</b> <b>7:00 Property</b> <b>7:00 Cong Care</b>	<b>4</b> <b>6:00 AWANA</b> <b>6:00 Jr/Sr High</b>	<b>5</b> <b>12:00 Men's Lunch</b> <b>6:15 Worship Team</b>	<b>6</b> <b>6:15am Men's</b>  <i>Celebrate the Gift 6:30pm</i>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>8:00 Worship</b> <b>9:30 S.S.</b> <b>10:45 Worship</b> <b>5:00 Prayer</b>  <i>Celebrate the Gift 6:30pm</i>	<b>9</b> <b>6:30 Outreach</b>	<b>10</b> <b>4:30 Women's Ministry Mtg.</b>	<b>11</b> <b>6:00 AWANA</b> <b>6:00 Jr/Sr High</b> <b>8:00 Youth Commission</b>	<b>12</b> <b>12:00 Men's Lunch</b> <b>6:15 Worship Team</b>	<b>13</b> <b>6:15am Men's</b> <b>8:00 Club 180</b>	<b>14</b> <b>6:00am Men's Ldrs</b> <b>7:30 Next Man Up</b>
<b>15</b> <b>8:00 Worship</b> <b>9:30 Christmas Program</b> <b>10:45 Worship</b> <b>5:00 Prayer</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>10:00 MAKS</b> <b>6:30 Elder Board Mtg.</b>	<b>18</b> <b>6:00 AWANA</b> <b>6:00 Jr/Sr High</b>	<b>19</b> <b>12:00 Men's Lunch</b> <b>6:15 Worship Team</b>	<b>20</b> <b>6:15am Men's</b> <b>8:00 Club 180</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <b>8:00 Worship</b> <b>9:30 S.S.</b> <b>10:45 Worship</b> <b>5:00 Prayer</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>5:00pm Christmas Eve Service</b>	<b>25</b> 	<b>26</b> <b>12:00 Men's Lunch</b>	<b>27</b> <b>6:15am Men's</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <b>9:30 Worship</b> <b>5:00 Prayer</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				

**Christ Community Church - 2200 4th Street NE - Waseca, MN 56093**

**Christ Community Church Mission Statement**

**As a local body of believers, we will seek to glorify God in worship, in evangelizing the unsaved and in teaching Christians to obey everything Christ commanded. To that end, prayer will be our foremost task, Scripture will be our authority, God's Holy Spirit will be our source of power and love will be our motivation.**

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# Cornerstone

*A heart for God and you*

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**“Our Focus – God’s Will”**

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*“Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.  
 (Ps. 143:10)*

“Should I invite this person or not?” “What is the best decision regarding what I do this weekend?” “Wow! Jim really seems discouraged; how can I help?” “God, I am weary and discouraged. Life at times seems overwhelming. I feel like I’m on a treadmill, getting nowhere. What is your will for me?” Most likely, situations and thoughts similar to these are not foreign to any of us. We all struggle at times with knowing God’s will. I believe all of us, deep in our heart, know that God’s will is best and we sincerely want to please Him. Yet, we struggle doing so because of uncertainty and the influence of our sinful nature.

We as a body of believers who are seeking to follow God are clearly told in Scripture what His will for us is: We are to make disciples, teaching them to obey everything Christ has commanded (the Great Commission – Matt. 28:18-20). At Christ Community Church, we believe the best way to make disciples is to live life in obedience to what Christ said is the greatest commandment (Love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength, & secondly to love your neighbor as yourself), and to obey His new command when He said, “Love one another as I have loved you”. Now, how does all this relate to “Our Focus – God’s Will”?

First of all, whether thinking individually or corporately, we know clearly what God’s will for us is. We must be engaged in making disciples (followers of Jesus Christ), and it must be done in love – love for God first and then love for others.

The exciting thing about this is that God has gifted and designed all of us differently. We are each unique. We have special gifts and abilities designed for use in advancing His kingdom. It’s amazing to think that God has brought us all together, as different as we all may be, to help accomplish the humanly impossible task of transforming a family, a community, a nation, a world – one life at a time. Surely there is nothing more energizing or rewarding than seeing Christ at work renewing lives so that they reflect His image. Could we be involved in anything more dynamic than seeing spiritually dead people resurrected to life? Could there be anything more rewarding than seeing people who are spiritually lost finding their way in Him who says, “I am the way and the truth and the

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