



**Welcome to the
Granbury Church of Christ**
Sunday, December 25, 2016

Worship Leader - Kirk Woolery

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE...

#144 O Worship the King
#718 We Shall Assemble
#266 Majesty

Welcome - Call to Worship
John Knox

GOD'S PEOPLE OFFER PRAISE...

#1018 Joy to the World
#1001 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
#998 What Child Is This?

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD...

Sermon: *A Savior Is Born*
John Knox

GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND...

#943 Do You Know My Jesus?

GOD INVITES US TO HIS TABLE...

Surround Us, O Lord
#845 Gentle Shepherd

The Lord's Supper Prayers
Ike Sawyer

GOD'S PEOPLE BRING OFFERINGS...

Contribution Prayer
Ike Sawyer
#997 O Come All Ye Faithful

GOD SENDS US TO LOVE AND SERVE...

#448 The Greatest Commands
Benediction Prayer
David Anderson

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Password: crusaders1905**

Family News

Prayer Requests

**Members, Relatives & Friends in Hos-
pital/Rehab**

Louise Moore – Harbor Lakes, Karl
Southward – Glen Rose Rehab

Members

Mozelle Akins, Rachel Bridges, Terry
Brooks, LaFon Commander, Richard
Finney, Jada Green, Biff Hatton, Nena
Hopper, Bill Hudson, Lloyd and Betsy
Kennedy, Arlene McMillan, Joel Martin,
Velda Maupin, Jack & Yetra Mock, Car-
oline Monday, Mary Beth Moore, Bill
Moore, Winston Nickel, Biff Peterson,
Yvonne Rosenquist, Eli Rouse, Norma
Sisk, Jean Wann, Terry White, Rosemary
Willenborg

Relatives/Friends

Mel Alkire, Jean Bills, Charmaine
Boone, Charles Carter, Gina Calk Crock-
er, Jared Dear, Tisha Green, Sue Jay,
Evelyn Jamison, Aaron McClelen, Katy
Mcglathery, Teresa Miller, Judy Parker,
JoAnn Patterson, Jeana Ross, Arvel San-
del, Russ Smith, Tammy Sparrow, Kathy
Spier, Carla Stone, Tommy Wiley

**(Note: For a complete list of prayer
needs, to submit a prayer request or to
read thank you notes, go to www.granburycoc.net and click on the *Prayer*
tab).**

Announcements

Sunday Welcome Lunch – The Climbers and Seekers classes invite visitors and new members who have placed membership since January 2016 to be their guests for lunch in the Dining Hall of the Fellowship Center on Sunday, January 8, immediately following the 10:15am worship service.

Volunteer Opportunity – Friday, January 6, 2017, the Christian Service Center will be hosting the Community Mobile Food Pantry from 8:00am to 10:30am at the First United Methodist Church Garage Area on FM 51 N.

Ladies' Bible Class Schedule – Class resumes on January 11 at 9:30am, and the class will discuss Week 6, *The Helmet of Salvation*. On January 18, the class will watch the final video, *The Sword of the Spirit*.

Larry's Diner re-opens on January 4.

Lord's Supper Meditation

The scene is a sparse hill in ancient Judea, not far from Jerusalem. Nearby is a cave. Jesus wears one meager garment. Mary watches, wondering what it all means. A man stands by, not the father of Jesus, but the one who will care for her. Beneath Jesus are beams of rough wood. Above, the heavens sparkle with supernatural splendor. In the city sits Herod, pondering Jesus' death. Jewish leaders discuss his coming. Nearby are outcasts, giving their own crude testimony. Soon the rich arrive with gifts, better for burial than for birth.



What did you picture? A birth or a death? A nativity or a cross?

The hill could be a sheep-studded hill near Bethlehem, or the hill called Golgotha. The cave could be a stable crudely cut into one of Bethlehem's hills or a burial vault recently carved in a nearby cemetery. The garment could be swaddling clothes or a bloody, ragged loincloth.

It is Jesus of course, but is he a newborn baby or a dying man? And it is Mary, but is she sitting at a manger comforting her baby or is she crouching, crying, and in need of comfort? Is the man Joseph the carpenter or John, who will make her a home? Are the wooden beams a manger or a cross? Are they eyeing a cold, clear star or an eclipsed sun and a blood-red moon?

The Herod could be "the Great," who tried to kill the baby, or his son, who in a sense succeeded. The outcasts could be shepherds, kneeling on either side, or subversives, hanging on either side. The rich men could be magi who offer exorbitant gifts or Nicodemus and Joseph who offer an empty tomb.

There's a mirror in the manger, a birth reflecting a death. So there is no better way to celebrate Christmas than to keep Communion.

Lee Magness from *The Christian Standard*

Member Information

Last Name _____

His Name _____

Her Name _____

Children Present: _____

Changes in address, phone, family
email (please print)

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Family Email (please print)

I would like to serve in the following
ministry:

Prayer Requests:

Visitor Information

Last Name _____

His Name _____

Her Name _____

Children's Names _____

Family Email (please print)

Address: _____

Contact Phone #: _____

I am a:

First-time Visitor

Regular Guest Out-of-town Guest

Age Groups (Please check all that apply)

Single Married

Teen 20's

30's 40's

50's 60's+

I would like information on:

This Church Membership

Prayer Requests:

Holiday Schedule

Wednesday, December 28

All Activities Cancelled

Church Office & CSC Closed

December 26-30

Sunday, January 1

No Bible Class

10:15am Worship Service

No PM Service



Wednesday Nights in January

Larry's Diner: 5:00 - 6:15pm

Praise & Worship: 6:30pm

Invite your friends & neighbors
for dinner & worship!

Attendance Report

Sunday, December 18, 2016

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| Sunday Bible Class | 256 |
| 10:15am Assembly | 518 |
| Sunday pm Assembly | 29 |
| Life Groups | 30 |
| Sunday pm Total | 59 |

Worship Schedule

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| Sunday Morning Bible Class | 9:00am |
| Sunday Morning Worship | 10:15am |
| Sunday Evening Worship | 5:00pm |
| Sunday Spanish-speaking Worship | 5:00pm |
| Wednesday Evening | 6:30pm |

Elders

David Anderson
Mike Blevins
David Casey
Joe Daugherty
Mike Gilbert
Billy Martin
Ronnie Roberts
Ike Sawyer
Richard Snowbarger
Bob "Spies"
Ira Wright

Ministry Staff

Harold Durham
Minister of
Community Services
John Duty
Worship and Body Life Minister
Michael Grayson
Youth Minister
Mark Hackney
Administrative Minister
John Knox
Preaching Minister
Tyler Wiggains
Children's Minister

2017 Harvest Missions

Total:

\$214, 883