

**Welcome to Crosspointe!**

We are glad you are here to worship with us today. Please stop by the Guest Services kiosk in the lobby to receive a small gift—our way of saying thank you for coming by.

**Communion**

As we partake of communion today, please note that gluten free wafers are available in individual cups on each communion tray.

**Make An Impact This Christmas**

Crosspointe is partnered with our neighbors at LifeBUILDERS for a Toy Drive. This is your last week to please place donated (unwrapped) toys in the Gathering. For additional Christmas impact information visit guest services.

**Upcoming Family Worship**

All Bible Studies Classes are canceled December 23 and December 30, except Nursery and Toddlers.

**Christmas At IYM**

Crosspointe participates in two cookie parties at the IYM centers for Christmas. Volunteers are needed to serve cookies beginning at 8 a.m. on December 21 and 22. Unable to volunteer? No problem! We would love for you to bake cookies for this event. Please drop off cookies by Sunday, December 16 in the main hall outside of Room 215. Interested volunteers call Bruce Anderson at 586.663.8067.

**Co-Ed Bible Study**

Starting this week, the 11 a.m. Co-Ed Bible study in Room 214 will be switching to a three week Christmas themed study. If you have been considering joining a Sunday morning study this would be a great time to jump in.

**Christmas Eve Night Service**

Crosspointe will host a special Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6 p.m. There is something special about worshiping together in the candlelight. If you've never attended this unique service, you are invited to make this year your first!

**2019 Offering Envelopes**

Offering envelopes for 2019 are now available in the Gathering Space. Envelopes are for those who do not give online. If you do not see your name and would like offering envelopes please contact the office at 313.881.3343.

**Membership Class January 13**

Take the next step toward membership! You are invited to the membership class on Sunday, January 13, following the 11 a.m. service. In this class, you will learn a bit more about Crosspointe, what we believe and how we go about our church mission of “Helping people make Christ the center of their lives.” Childcare is provided. RSVP online at Yourc3.org.



**Save The Date**

The Men’s Buck Dinner is scheduled for January 25. The guest speaker is former Lions place kicker, Jason Hanson. Additional information and tickets will be available soon.

**Buck Dinner Volunteers**

Ladies, looking for a way to serve? For one night only, Friday January 25th, take the opportunity to serve the men of our church and community at the Buck Dinner. The only experience needed is the ability to share your smile! Please contact Kala Clark at 313.881.3343 ext. 1023 or KClark@YourC3.org to sign up. (Sorry, childcare is not provided.)

**Upcoming Birthdays**

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| 02—Christa Weisser | 07—Susan Zaglaniczny  |
| 03—Dave Richards   | 08—Susanne Kryscynski |
| 04—Noemi Corcoran  | 08—Owen Taylor        |
| 04—Larry Riggio    | 09—Gloria Buffa       |
| 05—Marah Pickett   | 09—Ann Carter         |
| 06—Antonietta Roux | 09—Hunter Lewis       |
| 07—Julie Sears     | 09—Tom Zaglaniczny    |

**Pastor Jason Coplen’s Notes**  
**Ephesians: Finding Your ID in Christ**  
**Taking Up a Sword**  
**December 02, 2018**  
**Ephesians 6.12-17**

**<sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.**  
**<sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God...<sup>17</sup> and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.**

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What is this sword?

What was it used for?

How to \_\_\_\_\_ Ourselves in Battle (Matthew 4.1-11)

1. God’s Word reminds us that we have a Father who \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God’s Word reminds us that God has a \_\_\_\_\_ for this battle.
3. God’s Word reminds us that we have a God who is worthy of \_\_\_\_\_.

How to \_\_\_\_\_ in Battle (Hebrews 4.12-13)

- 1. Realize that there will be \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Rejoice that we can be \_\_\_\_\_.

How do we “\_\_\_\_\_” God’s word in our lives?

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ your Bible.
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ your Bible.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ your Bible.

What are you doing to “take up” God’s word in your life?

On Your Own or with Your Family

Had you ever heard of the Bible being referred to as a sword before this sermon? In what context?

Reread how Jesus used Scripture to defeat the temptation of the devil in Matthew 4. Can you think of specific ways you can use Scripture to defend yourself against daily temptations?

Hebrews 4 says that the word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword. What does that mean? How have you encountered its “sharpness” in your life?

What can you do differently this week to “take up” God’s word in your life?

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 02	
9:30am	Worship Service-Communion Nursery—Room 109, Toddlers—Room 107 Preschool—Room 105, K-2nd Grade—Room 102 3rd-5th Grade—Room 111 Bible Study: Joseph (J. Karam)—Room 215 Bible Study: 1 & 2 Tim. (A. Fegan)—Room 214
11:00am	Worship Service-Communion Nursery—Room 109, Toddlers—Room 107 Preschool—Room 105, K-2nd Grade—Room 102 3rd-5th Grade—Room 111 ROOTED HS—Room 106 ROOTED MS—Room 108 Bible Study: Christmas (J. Reimer)—Room 214
6:00pm	ROOTED HS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 03	THURSDAY, DECEMBER 06
6:30a Men’s Prayer	7:00p Worship Band Practice
6:30p Women’s Studies	8:30p Worship Vocals Practice
6:30p Mom’s Connect	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 07
7:00p Men’s Study	6:00p CR First Friday Dinner
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 04	7:00p Celebrate Recovery
5:50p IYM	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 08
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 05	8:45a Kid’s Dress Rehearsal
9:00a Women’s Studies	9:30a IYM
9:00a Mom’s Connect	5:15p IYM
5:30p Fellowship Dinner	UPCOMING EVENTS
6:00p Rooted MS	12/9—Christmas Musical
6:15p AWANA	12/21-22—IYM Christmas
6:30p Prayer Meeting	Cookie Days
	12/24—Christmas Eve Service
	12/31—Watch Night Service

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Helping people make Christ the center of their lives.

Sunday, December 02, 2018