

Old Man Simeon

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What is something you that hope to see before you die? On my bucket list, I have to see Mt. Rushmore. Maybe you hope to visit a certain national landmark or another country. In Luke 2, we meet a man whose bucket list was written for him by the Holy Spirit, a man from Jerusalem named Simeon. He was “righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him” (Lk. 2:25). This man was among the few Jews who remained faithful to God, and his life was spent in anticipation of the coming Messiah. The Holy Spirit revealed to Simeon that he would not die before seeing the Christ with his own eyes! Rather than travel the world, Simeon spent most of his time in the temple. As he had been promised, the Spirit led him to cross paths with a young Jesus (vv. 27-28). Simeon could not help but to erupt with praise!

““Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”” Luke 2:29–32 (ESV)

I’d like to leave you with some encouragement from Jack P. Lewis.

“This in the only snapshot we have out of the life of Simeon; but Simeon ought to be a challenge to us when time and disease have robbed us of the ability to conquer new worlds. One place is just as holy as another place so that there is no special merit of being at a temple or a church building. But being with God's people has its values, and there are merits in reading, meditation, and prayer which far outweigh the trash one gets on the television. How better can one spend his last days?” (And so We Speak, pg. 143)

There’s no better place we can be than with God and his people.

Caleb Boggs

His own people, eager to do what is good – Titus 2:14

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Kay Anderson, Carol Bessman, Fred Bukowich, Joyce Clarkson, Vera Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Tammy Crawford, Joe and Teresa Freund, Coral Haggard, Gaele Jackson, Molly Jackson, Millie Lyons, Pam McMahan, Sherry Merrill, Lyn Pendergraft, Charlie Phillips, Mebyl Privett, Tina Rasbury, Connor Reiboldt, Lawrence Sanders, Rylee Schroeder, Harold Speir, Edith Toney.

Bill Reiboldt had surgery on Thursday and is doing well. He appreciates the prayers.

Lisa Daniels had surgery on her foot and knee on Friday.

Kim Cable, father of Meghann Winchester, has been diagnosed with throat cancer and will begin radiation and chemo treatments soon.



Every "One" Counts: When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. We recently helped a family who lost everything in a house fire. If you know someone who needs help, contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff.

Devo and Donuts is taking a break due to the schools' holiday breaks. We will look forward to it resuming on January 11, 

When you can't be here when we **worship**, visit our website, Facebook page or YouTube channel to join us live or to catch up on what you missed.

Today's Sermons



A.M. *A Sword Will Pierce Your Soul*
(Luke 2:34-35, Caleb Boggs)

P.M. Nathan Honeycutt

New Devo will be tonight at the home of Charlie and Keri Collinsworth. Please bring a \$10.00 wrapped gift. Boys are asked to bring milk or juice and girls bring pancake toppings.

The church is sending \$5,000 to a church in Kentucky for tornado relief. If you would like to add some personal funds for this, you can give cash or a check, made out to Hillcrest with tornado relief on the memo line, to an elder.

Tomorrow night from 6:00 -9:00 is the night for **caroling!** We will go to the homes of some of our shut-ins and elderly members. If you can come and sing, please sign up on the bulletin board in the back. We want to leave them with a little treat of cookies or other items. If you can donate those, please sign the list.

Ladies, there will be an **ornament exchange** on Tuesday at 6:00 at Julia Fehring's home. Please bring a wrapped ornament and snack foods.

Your kind hearts provided five children with tops, pants, pajamas, toys, games and books. Additionally, generous cash donations allowed each child to receive needed shoes, socks, and coats. But the goodness continues! Remaining money was combined with the Every "One" Counts weekly donations, and applied to an account at MFA Oil to help towards their next purchase of propane. You are amazing! (Our **Christmas family** is from South Elementary and was chosen by the teachers as a family in need of help.)

A big **THANKS** to everyone who wrapped the presents for our Christmas family.

Challenge Youth Conference is January 14-16 in Dallas.

Our young ladies have again done a wonderful job on the **bulletin boards** in the back hallway. Stop by and see. Thanks to Amelia, Annie, and Grace!

Can you greet people, hand out a bulletin, direct guests to a class, arrive a little early on Sundays and share a smile? Then you have the ability to be a **greeter** and we have the opportunity available for you to do so. Consider being a part of this ministry. Sign ups will be after the first of the year.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Today

AM Opening Prayer: Alec Fehring
AM Closing Prayer: Bryan Reiboldt
Communion Prayers: Kaden King
PM Opening: Benny Haught
PM Closing Prayer: Karson Thomas

This Wednesday

Announcements: Pat Andrews
Singing: Morgan Bryan
Invitation: Bob Murray
Opening Prayer: Charlie Phillips
Closing Prayer: Sam Collinsworth

RECORDS

	12-12-21	12-13-20
Bible Study	138	98
AM Worship	184	120
PM Worship	133	70
Wednesday	125	109
Contribution	\$8,408.92	\$6,469.0003
Budget	\$8,000.00	\$7,864.15