River of Love

NEWS BRIEF

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MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RAY

Vickie and I are grateful for all the cards we received for Pastor Appreciation. They were so heartfelt; more than one-liners when space was tight on a card. There was a theme that ran in many cards; "Family". We have grown so close to one another that we have become the family of God on earth. This growth is exciting to watch. Christmas is near and another year to start working on. That's the family life! Chrissy is choosing Hymns for worship that help me appreciate them like I didn't in the past. The message in some of those old songs will break me while others fill me with joy and adoration. Some are difficult to sing because lyrics of that time are unfamiliar to us. The praise team often googles lyrics and phrase so that we know what we're singing. I hope you enjoy them too.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

- The churches **insurance** is up for renewal and Vickie is working to find the one best meeting our needs. Pray that we connect with the best provider. Our **Comcast** bill increased to more than $500.00 monthly. Making a call to them we worked a new plan that provides more for less money.
- Cross Creek is blessed to have dedicated workers who tackle big jobs and get them finished no matter the inconvenience. The **baptistry** is being a challenge for them so keep the crew in prayer. They WILL win this battle! God is faithful!
- **Wednesday Night Study: "The Book of 2 Thessalonians" by Ben Stuart**. A steady faith in shaky times. We will learn to endure with confidence not matter what comes our way.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Dec 4th: Parents Night Out** Friday, 6:00-8:00 PM
- Dec 8th: **Ladies Day Out** Tuesday, 10:45 AM- at Red Lobster in Lee's Summit.
- **Dec 13th: Cross Creek Dinner** at 11:30 AM
- **Dec 19th: Men's Breakfast** Saturday, 8 AM – at Cracker Barrel.
- **Dec 30th: Special Candlelight Service after Wednesday Supper**

DECEMBER MENU

$6.00 per person (ages 7 - adult)
$3.00 per person (ages 6 & under)

Dec 2, Smoked Pork Roast, baked potatoes, veggies, cottage cheese, rolls, salad, & dessert
Dec 9, **Chili & Chicken Gnocchi Soup,** chips, corn bread, cheese, salad, & dessert
Dec 16, **Beef Stew**, biscuit, cheese, sweet potatoes, salad & dessert

Dec 23: NO SERVICE

Dec 30, **Fried Chicken**, mashed potatoes, gravy, biscuits, green beans, salad & dessert

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PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Need a few hours for Christmas shopping or a little time to yourself? Join us for a FREE Parents' Night Out at Cross Creek Baptist!
Your kids will enjoy crafts, games, a movie, and food while you enjoy some free time.
Friday, December 4
6:00-8:00 PM
Ages 3-12
Register by November 27 at crosscreekbaptist.com



December 13th after our Sunday morning service we will have our Cross Creek Christmas dinner. Please come and bring your favorite casserole, salad, veggie dish, or dessert, as well as a friend! Ham, brisket, mashed potatoes, gravy and drinks will be provided. Hope you will be able to attend!