

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all our guests and friends this week. If you are searching for a church home, we cordially invite you to make the Ft. Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church your church home.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL today after church. Please join us.

BIBLE STUDY will begin again on Sabbath afternoon, January 11th.

ADRA HOMES FOR ORPHANS PROJECT this year. Drop your spare change in the donation box hanging in the foyer. \$641.30 has been received through the end of November. Money is sent when \$100 has been received.

NEXT WEEK: Harold Williams will have the worship service. Martin Pope will have the lesson study. The offering will be for Local Church Budget. **Loose and undesignated offering goes to Local Church Expense.**

CHURCH BOARD MEETING: The next regular board meeting will be Sunday, **1/12/2020** at 4:00 p.m. at the church. Please note this change.

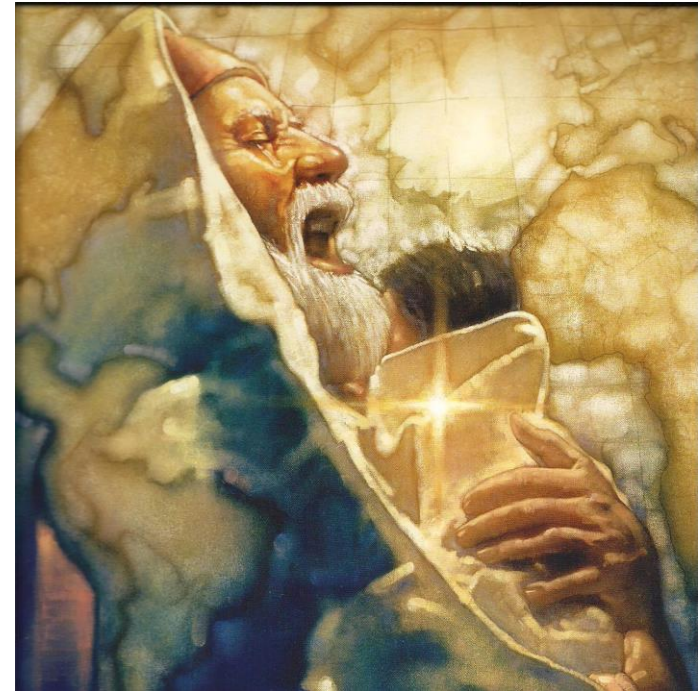
December	Budget	Received	Still Needed	Balance 12/27/2019
	\$1,900	\$1,614.62	-\$214.62	
Expense				\$3,531.68
Evangelism	--	\$46	--	\$887.63
Insurance		\$3,082.85	\$2,917.15	Goal: \$6,000
Building Fund		\$40		\$732.85
Repair/Air		\$3,007.07	\$992.93	Goal: \$4,000

WORKSHOP TODAY: After fellowship meal Pastor Gamble will present a workshop on how to share Jesus with people.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK: Happy Birthday Tuesday to Isaac McWilliams!

KEEP GOD'S HOUSE CLEAN: When you leave the sanctuary, please do not leave trash/bottles/etc. in the pews. Take them with you and put them where they belong. Thank you very much!

Welcome Fort Lupton Seventh-day Adventist Church



Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
12/28/2019

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War Room
9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Our Church at Study
10:00 A.M. - 10:50 A.M.

Superintendent Program
Teacher
Lesson Study:

Don Schraeder
Don Schraeder
Leaders in Israel

Kindergarten/Primary: Wanda Balmer *Junior/Earliteen:* Karen Fernandez

Pastor's Notes

There is a certain question that people feel is disconnected from the incarnation of Jesus: "Even though salvation comes through Jesus' death, was the incarnation really necessary for the work of the cross?" It's a good question - especially because it's actually connected in an intimate way to God becoming incarnate as Jesus! The thinking behind this question goes something like this: "Jesus died on a cross for me; God has accepted his death in my place; Jesus was born and grew up and lived, and I consider his birth to be roughly synonymous with the term "incarnation"; and Jesus' death seems to have relevance for me, since it was on my behalf, but his incarnation seems to have no connection to my own life." The Bible, however, clarifies the connection between Jesus' death for me and his incarnation on my behalf. In Acts 20:28, Paul tells us, "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which he purchased with his own blood" (NKJV). This is part of Paul's last speech to believers before his journey to Jerusalem; here he gives them advice and warning about staying close to Jesus. And look at what he says about the Holy Spirit and Jesus! Paul identifies the Holy Spirit as the one who made Christian leaders "overseers" of God's church, which is the apostle's way of saying that the Holy Spirit is God. But Paul also says that God purchased the church with his own blood - and only Jesus purchased the church with his own blood, which means Jesus is also God! The God-man Jesus Christ could only have died and purchased the church with his own blood if he was incarnate: basically, if he was God in the flesh (the word "incarnation" means "in-fleshment"). Jesus' incarnation doesn't only reference his birth, it also refers to the entirety of his human life! Jesus' birth is simply the beginning of his incarnation; his incarnation - his in-fleshment - occurred through his life, up to his death, included his burial and the reality of him being dead, and continues in his bodily resurrection, ascension, and second coming. Remember this blessed thought, brothers and sisters: Jesus is the incarnate God who purchased us with his blood. Merry Christmas.

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Adventist Book Center (303) 722-1101 (800) 254-9687

Our Church at Worship

11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Interlude

Musical Selections

Welcome/ Announcements

Karen Fernandez

Worship in Praise

Songs & Praises

Karen Fernandez

Our Children at Worship

Evangelism Offering

Storyteller: Pastor Nathaniel Gamble

Call to Worship

Responsive Reading
Invocation

837
Simeon's Prayer

Brent Balmer
Pastor Nathaniel Gamble

Worship in Stewardship

Call for Offering
Offertory Prayer

Rocky Mountain Conference Advance

John Fernandez
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Worship in Song

Opening Hymn

"O Come, O Come, Immanuel"

115

Worship in Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

"Surely the Presence"

Brent Balmer

Worship in the Word

Scripture

Luke 2:28-32

John Fernandez

Special Music

Video

Sermon

Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
"Incarnation: Simeon's Christmas Song"

Closing Hymn

"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

130

Benediction
Postlude

"God Be With You"

Pastor Nathaniel Gamble
65

Sundown Today 4:41 PM

Next Friday 4:46 PM