

Indian Ridge Ward

December 2018 – The Atonement



In Luke 2:7 we read, “And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.” As we turn now to the Christmas season, the question can be asked, “Have we let the Savior into our lives?” Jesus Christ came to this earth to not only save us from physical death, but also to save us from spiritual death. As we go through life, we will all make mistakes that we will need to correct. It is through Jesus Christ and the Atonement that we are able to repent and return to the path that leads back to our Heavenly Father.

The Savior wants us to let him into our lives. It is through the atonement that this is possible. It is not only when we may commit a sin that we need to turn to Jesus Christ, but we can turn to him at anytime that we may need some type of comfort. “And he shall go forth, suffering pains and afflictions and temptations of every kind; and this that the word might be fulfilled which saith he will take upon him the pains and the sicknesses of his people. And he will take upon him death, that he may loose the bands of death which bind his people; and he will take upon him their infirmities, that his bowels may be filled with mercy, according to the flesh, that he may know according to the flesh how to succor his people according to their infirmities.” (Alma 7:11-12) Jesus Christ loves us and knows each one of us individually. He knows what we are going through, no matter how tough the trial may seem. All he asks is for us to reach out to him and ask him for help. As our loving brother he will always be there for us and will help us if we will only ask.

As our Prophet Russell M. Nelson once said, “Peace can come to all who earnestly seek the Prince of Peace. Peace can come to all who choose to walk in the ways of the Master. His invitation is expressed in three loving words: “Come, follow me.” As we follow Jesus Christ, He will lead us to live with Him and our Heavenly Father, with our families. Through our many challenges of mortality, if we remain faithful to covenants made, if we endure to the end, we will qualify for that greatest of all the gifts of God, eternal life. In His holy presence, our families can be together forever.”

Let each of us remember Jesus Christ this Christmas season and use the Atonement in our lives. The Atonement is one of the greatest gifts that Jesus Christ and Heavenly Father have given us. As we make room for Jesus Christ in our lives we will all be blessed and we will be able to overcome our challenges. We will receive the guidance or comfort we are seeking. Jesus Christ loves you. The Atonement is real. It is there for each of us to use. We love all of you. May each of you have a wonderful Christmas season.

Love,
The Indian Ridge Ward Bishopric

Come to our Ward Christmas Party & Dinner

(Bring your family and neighbors)

Friday, December 7th - 6:30 p.m.

(in the Cultural Center at the church)





Relief Society



As this joyous Christmas season is upon us, we have much to be so very thankful for. How blessed we are to have a living prophet, President Russell M. Nelson to guide and bless our Church. With so many changes and adjustments we have much to look forward to and an exciting New Year. How blessed we will be as we study and learn together to have our homes Christ centered. Let us celebrate our Savior's birth and life through our love and service to one another.

Dates to remember:

December 7 Ward Family Christmas Dinner

December 11 Welfare Square Cannery from 7:30-11:30 am

December 23 Sacrament Meeting only

Lessons for December:

December 2 RS Council - Kathi Roberts

December 9 "Am I a Child of God?" Elder Brian K. Taylor - Kathleen Harris

December 16 "Precious Gifts from God" President M. Russell Ballard -
Lori Hanson

December 23 Sacrament Meeting only

December 30 "Personal and Family Scripture Study - Lynn Jensen

We want to thank all the sisters who served as Visiting Teaching Supervisors: Gayle Hansen, Mary Deming, Sharon Allen, Evah McMullin, Marilyn Crapo, Andrea Marx, and Marilyn Hampton. We also want to thank Annette Webster for being our pianist and Betsy Allred as our chorister. With the new schedule starting in January, we will no longer have an opening hymn to start Relief Society but our teachers are encouraged to use music in their chosen Conference messages. Thank you all for your dedicated service.

This has been a year of amazing service because of your willingness to care and tend one another. Our Ward has been so richly blessed through prayers and love and continue to be. You are all so amazing. Thank you. We love you.

Love from Kim, Kathi, Shelly and Charlene



Young Men

Priests:

Tuesday, December 4th
Visits in the ward

Tuesday, December 11th
Temple Square lights with Laurels
Meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 18th
Combined activity at the church
Widow baskets - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25th
No activity - Merry Christmas!

Teachers & Deacons:

Tuesday, December 4th
To be determined

Tuesday, December 11th
Temple Square and Hot Cocoa

Tuesday, December 18th
Combined activity at the church
Widow baskets - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25th
No activity - Merry Christmas!

Our Young Men are valiant brethren
in the Priesthood!

Young Women

Tuesday, December 4th
MiaMaid and Laurel Ministering
activity at the church, 7 p.m.
Beehives - Personal Progress at
Karie Hughes' house, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, December 11th
Temple Square lights
Meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 18th
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Widow baskets - 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25th
Merry Christmas!

**Reminder about Youth Conference
January 17-19 in Aspen Grove.** We sent
home information and permission
packets to all the girls 14 and older. We
need these returned by December 23rd.
If you haven't received this information,
please contact Karie Hughes.

Youth Conference Information:
Location- Aspen Grove Resort
We will be leaving Thursday
January 17th at 3:15 p.m.



Russ Messerly - 801-792-4826
Gina Messerly - 801-300-6529
Chris Duffy - 801-259-7156
Oriana Reyes - 385-445-3194

For Family History help please contact any of the
Temple and Family History Consultants. We would
be willing to come to your home or have you at
ours to help you learn how to find your ancestors,
and do the sacred temple work for them.

*They are waiting for your efforts
to help them progress.*

Primary



Yearly Theme:

I am a Child of God

December Theme: I know that Jesus Christ will come again

December Scripture: "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth." (Job 19:25)

We know that Jesus will come again and live on the earth with us. He will be our King and Ruler. It will be a time of peace and happiness for those who are prepared to meet Him.

You can prepare to see Him when He comes again by being kind to others, by being obedient, by saying your prayers, and by choosing the right. Then you will be ready when He comes again! (Friend December 2013)

Manette Murri has been released as Primary pianist. She has done an amazing job over the years and we are grateful that she has shared her musical talents with us. We will miss having her play in Primary. We welcome Vivienne Sullivan as our new pianist.

The Primary Presidency

Whenever anyone in our ward is called as,
or released from, being a Service Missionary,
please let Dorothy Schmidt know.

Also if you have been called to work in the Draper Temple, or have been released from working there, please also let Dorothy know, so she can keep the hallway Missionary Board current and looking nice.

Missionaries

Randy and Kris Robbins
Sandy Utah Crops Welfare Farm
Missionaries

Robert and Andrea Marx
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at Temple Square

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Full-time missionaries in our area:

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**Merry
Christmas**

Happy Birthday!



December 2018

- 1 Joel Weight
Barbara Wightman
- 2 Luc West
- 4 Mackenzie Glauser
Matthew Miller
- 5 Jeanene Clayton
Richard Crusier
Rita Kelly
Allyn Thompson
- 8 Steven Peterson
- 10 Amanda Messerly
Hannah North
- 11 Scarlett North
Marie West
- 13 Dale Hanson
- 16 Alan Harris
- 18 Betsy Allred
Dorothy Mahler
- 19 Logan McLeskey
- 20 Kristine Bennett
- 22 Marlene Baarz
- 23 Amber Williams
- 24 Liam Ellis



- 26 Lynn Jensen
- 27 Kenlie Hughes
- 29 Nick Taylor
Kurt Young
- 30 Joseph Olsen
Scott Williams
- 31 Bob Thompson

January 2019

- 1 Clare Zitzelsberger



And Santa whispered,
“Teach the children the true meaning of Christmas.”

The Star: A heavenly sign of prophesy fulfilled long, long ages ago -- the shining hope of mankind.

Red: The first color of Christmas symbolizing the Savior’s sacrifice for all.

The Fir Tree (Evergreen): The second color of Christmas shows everlasting life. The needles point heavenward.

The Bell: Rings out to guide lost sheep back to the fold -- signifying that all are precious in the eyes of the Lord.

The Candle: A mirror of starlight reflecting our thanks for the Star of Bethlehem.

The Gift Bow: Tied as we should all be tied together in bonds of goodwill forever.

The Candy Cane: The shepherd’s crook used to bring lambs back into the fold - a reminder that we are all our brother's keeper. The shape is also a “J” to represent Jesus’ name. The color white stands for the pureness of Jesus. The color red represents the blood Jesus shed for us.

The Wreath: A symbol of the never-ending eternal nature of love . . . having no beginning and no end.