

Disturbing Peace
Luke 2:1-7, Matthew 2:1-12
Today's Message: Randy Roberts

December 24, 2023

“peace to those on whom his favor rests” (Luke 2:14).

Let's fact check Christmas!

Disturbed the Plans of a Young Family

“So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David” (Luke 2:4).

How have your plans been disturbed?

Disturbed the Routine of the Wise Men

“Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, ‘Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him’” (Matthew 2:1-2).

How has your routine been disturbed?

“Oh, that we might know the LORD! Let us press on to know him. He will respond to us as surely as the arrival of dawn” (Hosea 6:3 NLT).

Disturbed the Security of a King

“When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him” (Matthew 2:3).

How has your false sense of security been disturbed?

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world” (John 16:33).



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Welcome to Living Creek!

It's a joy to have you worshiping with us.

Helping people follow Jesus

Living Creek
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

There will be three services on **TODAY**. All services will be the same. **9:45 AM** (livestream), **11 AM** with full Children's Worship & **6 PM** with birth-Pre K Worship.

Our **mission focus** for the month of December is the **Chile Mission**. Pray for Jack & Janine Swanson, our missionaries in Chile and the continual development of the camp for children.

Giving Envelopes have been printed and are available on the table at the entrance.

2024 Bible Reading Guides are available on the table at the entrance.

PRAY FOR THE GRIEVING

Pray for the family of Gene Walker, Pat's husband. Visitation will be on Wednesday, December 27 from 4-7 PM, at Smits-Steger Memorial Chapel.

LOOKING AHEAD

Come join us for the next **Prayer Night** at The Well on **Tuesday, January 9** at **7 PM**.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The **Monee Community Kids Club** will resume on **January 31, 2024**.

YOUTH MINISTRY

The Well does **not** meet tonight or on 12/31. **The Well** will resume **January 7, 2024**.

We have two **winter retreats** this year!

January 12-14 - at the Kalahari Resort Indoor Theme Park & Water Park in Wisconsin Dells for **HS**. We leave on Friday, January 12 at 4 PM and return on Sunday, January 14 by 8 PM. Cost is \$150 + 3 meals. Sign up at <https://livingcreek.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/129/responses/new>

February 16-18 - at Little Galilee Christian Camp in Clinton, IL for **MS**. We leave on Friday, February 16 at 3:30 PM and return on Sunday, February 18 by 3:30 PM. Cost is \$60 (includes transportation, and all meals and events at the camp) + 2 meals. Register at <https://littlegalilee.campbrainregistration.com/>

FINANCIAL UPDATES

Our weekly budgeted need for the General Fund is \$9,509. The average weekly giving for November was \$8,904. The Greater Things fund balance is \$518,613.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Church Office will be closed Monday, December 25, Tuesday, December 26, and Wednesday, December 27.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Smart Phone & Tablet Users can follow today's message and scriptures on the **Bible** app. Click on More > Events and Search for Living Creek to follow along.

Church Community Builder (CCB) helps us communicate and stay connected with others, staff and leadership. Visit **livingcreek.ccbchurch.com** to get involved and stay in the know!

The Lord's Supper and Giving

If you are a Christian, we invite you to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper (gluten-free communion is available). There are two stations in the back of the room. We use a two-cup system. The bottom cup contains the bread and the top cup contains the juice. We also invite you to continue in worship with your giving as a sign of support for our ministry.



You may mail in or drop off your gifts at the Church Office. Online giving is available by scanning the QR code or via our website at livingcreek.org > Contribute.

Baptism and Membership

Each week we invite people to reach out to the pastor for prayer or more information about baptism and membership. Email Randy at rroberts@livingcreek.org or call the Church Office at 708.672.6515.

What's your Next Step?

Find it at www.livingcreek.org > Welcome > Your Next Step.

Worship Service Experiences

- **Livestreaming** at 9:45 AM on YouTube
- **Online** at www.livingcreek.org
- **Children's Worship Service** at 11 AM at The Wave, 4854 W Court ST, Monee Birth - 5th grade
- **Worship Service** at 9:45 & 11 AM at The Well, 4840 W Court ST, Monee

Ministry Center/Office

4820 W Court ST, Monee, IL 60449

Monday - Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

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