



*We exist to introduce people to
Jesus Christ
and strengthen lives through Him!*

Rev. Jakov “DJ” Choi

January 2021

January 3

- Epiphany of the Lord
- Sermon: The Gospel According to John – Part 2



January 10

- Baptism of the Lord
- Leadership Consecration Sunday
- Sermon: The Gospel According to John – Part 3

January 17

- Human Relations Day / special offering taken
- Trustee Nominations
- Sermon: The Gospel According to John – Part 4

January 24

- Trustee Elections
- Sermon: The Gospel According to John – Part 5

January 31

- Sermon: The Gospel According to John – Part 6

The Epiphany . . .

. . . (manifestation) of the LORD - **January 1**, an even more ancient celebration among Christians than Christmas, originally focused on the nativity, incarnation, and baptism of Christ. Today we celebrate the coming of the ‘three’ wise men (magi), who brought gifts to the Christ child. It marks the end of the Christmas Cycle, which began the First Sunday of Advent.



Leadership Consecration Sunday

Our thanks for all those who have faithfully and graciously served in 2020. Join us in recognizing and commissioning Norwood UMC’s elected officers and ministry leaders for 2021 on **Sunday, January 10**. Please keep the attached copy of Church Council members and other elected officers. Refer to them as needed or desired to know how your church works, which ministry areas, committees or groups you belong in or serve with, and how they are related. Others may be added to this list as noted in future newsletters.



Handy Hands

Do you like to knit, crochet or do other types of hand work? If so, please join us **Monday: January 11 at 1:00 pm** in the Parlor. Questions? Please see Lynn Crump, Randy Gibbs, or Lynda Stine.



Check us out at www.norwoodumc.org. ALL committee meeting dates have been entered for 2021 on our interactive website calendar; and weekly, monthly and special events. Click on the heading **GROW**, and scroll down to **Calendar**.



*"I sought the Lord,
and He delivered me,
and delivered me from
all my fears."*
Psalm 34:4

Ongoing Prayer Needs

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| Richard Amadio | John & Terri Jones |
| Betty & Joe Bradford | Tina Kadri (Judy Arrants) |
| Bob Brooks | Gary Leranian (Madeline Deane) |
| Jackie Burleigh & family (Laura Welch) | Liz Murray (Lynn Seidel) |
| Madeline Deane | Rev. Bill Neff |
| Ron Dixon | Donna Riegel |
| Michael Fletcher (Lynn Seidel) | Sharon (Kelli Bradley) |
| Joan Glisson (Anna Glisson) | Bernie, Bobbie & Katie Shimkus (Laura Welch) |
| Tommy Glisson | Michael Tate |
| Carol Hammes | Jacob Tercha (Bobbi Blum) |
| Eugene Holt (John Venafr) | Joan Touhill (Lynn Seidel) |
| Marla Hsu (Anna Glisson) | Dot Weaver |
| Bill & Jane Hutchinson | |

Current Prayer Needs

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| Barbara Chreiman | Linda |
| Rick Brown's mother | Lisa |
| Callie Clark | Marianne Olkowski |
| Tommy Glisson | Kurt Schaefer |
| Chris Graffer | Jim Stevenson |
| Carol Hammes | Beth Van Wyk & family |

Current prayer needs listed in weekly bulletins

Residing in Retirement Care & Nursing Homes

- Myda Curcio - Maris Grove
Bob Nelson – Broomall Rehab & Nursing Ctr



If severe winter weather makes travel to the church unsafe, services and events may be canceled or rescheduled. If the church has your email address, you will be informed of any cancellations or changes using that media. We also will use our "robo" calling system, "Dial My

Calls", which will call your home/cell, again, only if we have that information. If your phone is set up to not show your caller ID, the "robo" calls will not be accepted.



Gary Buchanan	7
Greg Buchanan	7
Dolores Getty.....	8
Harry Heywood.....	10
Joanne DiFabio.....	12
Carol Hammes.....	12
Christina Pentimall.....	14
Bill Fisher, Sr	15
Rich Borrell	16
Daniel Shanahan.....	18
Cindy Tuttle	21
Barbara Brooks.....	24
Barbara Chreiman	28
Delano Anderson.....	29
Mary Lee Colflesh.....	30



Thank you so much for your generous Christmas gifts! It is a privilege to minister with you on Sundays. Praying God's best for you in 2021!

~ Love, Sharon Neff

Dear NUMC Family: Thank you for all your cards, prayers and generous Christmas gifts! I would like to say a heart-felt "thank you" for **everything**. I truly enjoy serving the Lord, His church, and all of you over the years, and pray to continue to do so in the future. God bless!

~ Blessings, Pat Beckett

Wesley's Covenant Prayer

From John Wesley's Covenant Service, 1780

I am no longer my own, but thine.
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.
Let me be full, let me be empty.
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and heartily yield all things
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.
And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Norwood United Methodist Church
Church Council Officers - 2021 - (code # 585)

<p>Ex-Officio Chairperson: Robert Gibbs Vice-Chairperson: Anna Glisson Pastor: Rev DJ Choi^S Church Lay Leader: Jim Vickers Conference Lay Member: _____ Conference Lay Member alternate: Secretary: Lynda Stine^S Treasurer: Kurt Schaefer, Sr^S Financial Secretary: Lynda Stine^S Membership Secretary: Pat Beckett^S Admin. Asst: Pat Beckett^S</p> <p>* indicates change ^S indicates paid Staff</p> <p>MyFiles\Church Council Officers - 2021</p>	<p>Chairpersons of Trustees: Tom Glisson Staff/Parish Relations: Bill Fisher Finance: Anna Glisson</p>	<p>Members-at-Large Lynn Crump Ashley Gibbs Randy Gibbs Anna Glisson Carol Hammes William Hutchinson Jim McKay Bill Shanahan Daniel Shanahan (YA) Jim Vickers Sally Vickers</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Revised 9/8/2020</p>
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Other Elected Officers

<p><u>Staff / Parish Relations Committee</u> - 3 yr term (code # 530) Chair: Bill Fisher Church Lay Leader: Jim Vickers Lay Member of Annual Conference: _____ Lay Member of Annual Conference alternate: <u>2021 (12/31/21 ends)</u> <u>2022 (12/31/22 ends)</u> <u>2023 (12/31/23 ends)</u> Bill Fisher Dorie Borrell * Lynn Crump Richard Goldsborough Joan Schaefer * Ashley Gibbs Carol Hammes Cindy Tuttle</p> <p><u>Nominations and Leadership Development</u> - 3 yr term (code # 550) Chair: Rev DJ Choi^S Vice-Chair: Pat Beckett^S Church Lay Leader: Jim Vickers <u>2021 (12/31/21 ends)</u> <u>2022 (12/31/22 ends)</u> <u>2023 (12/31/23 ends)</u> Joan Schaefer Anna Glisson * Pat Beckett Lynda Stine^S Laura Welch * Lynn Crump Cindy Tuttle * Robert Gibbs</p> <p><u>Trustees</u> - 3 yr term (code # 580) Chair: Tom Glisson <u>2020 (1/31/21 ends)</u> <u>2021 (1/31/22 ends)</u> <u>20212 (1/31/23 ends)</u> John Jones Lynn Crump Rich Borrell Joyce McKay Tom Glisson Andrew Vickers Kurt Schaefer, Sr^S</p>	<p><u>Finance Committee</u> - (code # 582) Chair: Anna Glisson Vice-Chair: _____ Treasurer: Kurt Schaefer, Sr^S Asst Treasurer: Ted Schaefer Financial Secretary: Lynda Stine^S Asst Financial Secretary: Holly Goldsborough Church Lay Leader: Jim Vickers Conference Lay Member: _____ Conference Lay Member alternate: Church Council Chair: Robert Gibbs Board of Trustees Chair: Tom Glisson Disaster Relief Cmte Chair: Rev DJ Choi^S Scholarship Cmte Chair: Kurt Schaefer, Sr^S Memorial Cmte Chair: Pat Beckett^S Staff-Parish Relations Chair: Bill Fisher</p> <p><u>Finance Cmte Members-at-Large:</u> Lynn Crump Carol Hammes</p>
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Starting the New Year: Character Counts

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The New Year brings fresh hope. We think about new ideas and resolutions to improve our serve. Here's a practical idea presented by Dr. Scott Turansky that you can use and share with your team and parents.

"When you feel overwhelmed by the poor behavior of your child, here's an exercise that will give you some direction. In fact, this activity is good for any parent (or teacher) looking for ways to help a child grow, but it's especially helpful when you're confused and overwhelmed by a problem's complexity or deeply-rooted nature. "Start by making a list of the problems you've seen in your child in the last few days. This isn't a list to show to your child but it's a working list so that you can gain some perspective in your discipline. You're looking for examples of problems that need to be addressed. Look for behaviors, their causes, and common arenas where the problem takes place. In this step, you're simply gathering data and making observations.

"Next, group the offenses around character qualities. That is, look for common threads in the offenses that are an indication of a deeper heart issue. For example, you may be seeing selfishness demonstrated or meanness or lack of respect for authority.

"Next you want to name the positive quality your child needs. Possibly kindness, or responsibility, or honor, or respect for others.

"Once you have the character quality chosen, you can develop a practical definition for it and concrete ways to demonstrate the quality. Share this new quality with your child in a positive way, communicating hope in the process. Talk about what it means and how the child will benefit from this quality now and in the future. Then practice, practice, practice. Reinforce this new quality by sharing demonstrations of it in the lives of other people you know, and affirm your child when you see it. "I like to obedience I'm seeing" and "Doesn't it feel good to be responsible and care for your hamster?"

"Behavior problems are temporary, but the character you work on in your child's heart will help your child now and in the future."

Most children learn Bible stories and key characters from their Sunday school or children's church experience. But they also need to understand the eternal principles of God's Word, and even more importantly, to know Him and to make Him known.

For example, Dorothea Lander, Children's Communication Team Coordinator and Strategic Liaison for Wycliffe USA, writes, "I watched God's Word transform one of our three children who struggled mightily with anger from a very early age. With horror we watched sibling interactions that involved screaming, hitting, and vicious scratching that even drew blood. Thankfully the other two siblings did not fight back. I chose key Bible verses which present the "positive side" of what God expects of us as His children. We used Ephesians 4:32, James 1:19-20, and Proverbs 15:1. Together we wrote them on 3 by 5 cards and memorized them. When an angry outburst did occur, we stopped immediately and pulled the cards out of our pockets on the spot. We read the verses. We prayed together, asking for forgiveness and for God to transform this sibling's heart to think and act like God's Word instructed. Every night at bedtime we talked over the day, recited the verses again, and talked about how the Scripture had applied that day. I watched the Holy Spirit use God's Word to begin convicting of sin within that first week! Tears began to flow over outbursts instead of blaming others. In just over one month, God transformed this child of ours, through His powerful, life-changing Word. For years now, this grown child has acknowledged the overwhelming struggle with anger, and the permanent, powerful transformation God's Word brought about."

Discipleship Begins With Our Children

DiscipleLand's family of Biblical resources forms a complete Children's Discipleship System™ – an intentional, relational, and transformational process designed to help children know God intimately, love Him passionately, and to serve Him selflessly.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day 10:00 PM N.A.	2
3 We also offer recorded Sunday worship services on our YouTube channel for those who do not yet feel comfortable in attending in person. CLICK FOR LINK 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship	4 Secretary works remotely 10a-2p 7:00 PM SPRC mtg	5 Secretary works remotely 10a-2p	6 Secretary works remotely 10a-2p 7:30 PM N.A.	7 Secretary works remotely 10a-2p 7:00 PM Nar-Anon	8 Pastor's Day Off Secretary works remotely 10a-2p 10:00 PM N.A.	9
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2021 Newsletter

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Worship

10:00 am Worship / & **[Pre-recorded](#)**

9:00 am Adult Sunday School

Links

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