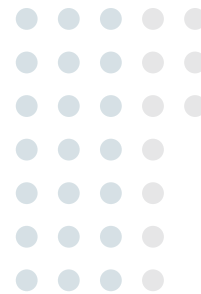


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# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING PACKET

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## ELDER CANDIDATE & MEETING Q&A

Sunday, Nov 7 @ 10:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Adult Ed. Room



# MEMBER COVENANT

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Having been led by the Holy Spirit to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the public confession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God and this assembly, solemnly and joyfully endeavor to keep the spirit of this covenant as one body in Christ.

We purpose, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness and love; to promote its fruitfulness and spirituality; to attend its services regularly; to sustain its worship, ordinances, and doctrines; to submit to its discipline and the authority of its officers; to give it a sacred preeminence over all institutions of human origin; to give faithfully of time and talent in its activities; to contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us, to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, to the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel throughout all nations.

We also purpose to maintain family and private devotion to the Lord; to train our children according to the Word of God; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk carefully in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our conduct; to abstain from all activities, habits, and lifestyles that dishonor our Lord Jesus Christ, cause stumbling to a fellow believer, or hinder the gospel witness; to be zealous in our efforts to advance the cause of Christ, our Savior, and to give Him preeminence in all things.

We further purpose to encourage one another in the blessed hope of our Lord's return; to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feelings and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation.

We moreover purpose that when we leave this church we will as soon as possible unite with another church of like faith where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

# 2021 CHRISTMAS OFFERING



CHOOSE LIFE WOMEN'S CENTER  
ODESSA, UKRAINE

## ABOUT:

Choose Life's mission is to help people learn the value of life from conception to death and to receive God's love, forgiveness, and gift of eternal salvation. The Women's Center focuses on coming alongside women in crisis with the love of Christ. Choose Life provides free pregnancy tests, crisis counseling, counseling materials, new mother's courses, humanitarian aid for new mother's, and post abortion counseling.

## THE OFFERING:

Our 2021 Christmas Offering will be supporting the ministry of the Choose Life Women's Center in Odessa, Ukraine. Specifically, it will be used to help with operating costs which includes new mother's kits, free pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, curriculum and counseling materials, as well as funding their two paid staff members.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING DONATIONS  
OPEN ON DECEMBER 5

# NEW ELDER CANDIDATE

## JERRY GOOD

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Jerry and his wife, Sheri, began attending Castleton Community Church in February of 2018. They became members in June of 2018. They have been married 28 years and have four children (Taylor, Chandler, Autumn, and Grayson). Vocationally, Jerry is a Regional Maintenance and Engineering Manager for Amazon.

Jerry and Sheri enjoy serving the Castleton Community Church as a family. Jerry currently serves as an usher and Sheri sings on the worship team. Jerry has exemplified godly service and leadership in marriage and the intentional discipleship of his children. He is skillful in counseling the Word of God and has demonstrated a deep love for God's people.

Jerry is deeply humbled and grateful for the opportunity to serve on the elder council at Castleton Community Church.



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# RENEWING ELDER

## TOMMY JOHNSTON

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Tommy Johnston has served as an elder since November of 2018.

Tommy joined the staff as Lead Pastor of Castleton Community Church in November of 2017 and has labored to preach the whole counsel of God since arriving. Tommy and his wife Precious were married in 2011 and have two children, Lillian (7) and Theodore (4).

Tommy is overjoyed to continue to serve the saints at Castleton Community Church as an under-shepherd of the Great Shepherd, Jesus.



# RENEWING ELDER

## JONATHAN MERTZ

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Jonathan Mertz has served as an elder since November of 2018.

Jonathan and his wife Amy have been married since 2011 and together have served the Castleton Community Congregation through leading their small group, cultivating healthy marriages through discipleship relationships, and hosting newcomers in their home. Jonathan also serves on the Worship Team and helps teach Castleton Core Classes.

He has a passion for discipleship and for leading the whole Castleton Congregation to know and trust Jesus more and more.



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# NON-RENEWING ELDER

## BRIAN LANDIS

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Brian and his wife Gina have poured their hearts out for Castleton Community Church even before our congregation was formed. Since then, God has used both Brian and Gina to bless the saints of Castleton Community Church in a number of ways, including: leading the hospitality teams, leading a Small Group, men's & women's ministries, worship team, and Brian serving as an elder since 2018.

In the Lord's providence, Brian and Gina have faced a tremendous number of trials these past few years and through it all have continued to hold fast to Jesus Christ, their sure and steady anchor. Brian is grateful for the time serving as an elder and will continue to serve our congregation in vital ways. Please find time to thank Brian for his service and pray for Brian and Gina as they care for Gina's parents.



# THANK YOU!

## DAMIAN NEELD (FACILITIES MANAGER)

Join us in thanking Damian Neeld for his service to our church as our part-time Castleton Facilities Manager.

Damian has served in this role since 2019 and has helped us steward and upgrade our building for God's glory. Damian was instrumental in powering our outdoor services, painting the gym, securing cost effective maintenance contracts, overseeing the office renovations, and many other unseen building updates!

Damian's love for the Lord and love for people has shown many non-believers a gospel witness both in word and in deed. Damian will continue to serve our church in a non-staff role in the days to come. Please find time to thank Damian for his time serving on staff!



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# GIVING THANKS

WE INVITE YOU TO CONSIDER BRINGING A STORY OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING TO SHARE DURING OUR UPCOMING MEETING.

HERE IS A STORY OF THANKSGIVING FROM PASTOR TOMMY:

I am thankful that the Lord has given our little congregation both the desire and the opportunity to be a part of making Christ known globally this year. He has allowed us to support our three Global Partners financially through a very difficult and uncertain year of ministry. He has answered our supplications for help in their difficulties and trials, and fruitfulness in the continued expansion of their ministries. He has even allowed us to start a completely new initiative by bringing our Global Pastoral Resident Riew Khamkongchan and his family here to be with us in our fellowship in Indianapolis. Let us give thanks to the Lord of the harvest for using us as a small part of his work *to lead people to know and trust Jesus* all over the world.

- TOMMY JOHNSTON



# 2021-2022 MEMBER DIRECTORIES



AVAILABLE FOR ALL MEMBERS FOLLOWING THE MEETING

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## MEMBER MEMORIAL



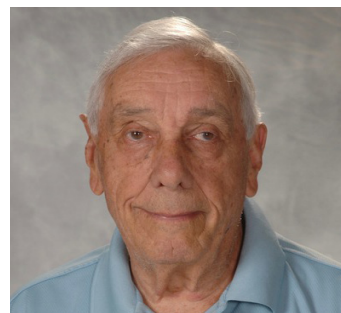
**MARGARET PLATNER**  
(March 15, 1919 - December 29, 2020)



**KATHY CARTNER**  
(April 11, 1947 - January 31, 2021)



**THOMAS WARD**  
(June 10, 1925 - March 9, 2021)



**FREDERICK MERTZ**  
(May 8, 1934 - September 10, 2021)

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!" - Revelation 14:13



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