

# SERMON NOTES:



January 1, 2012

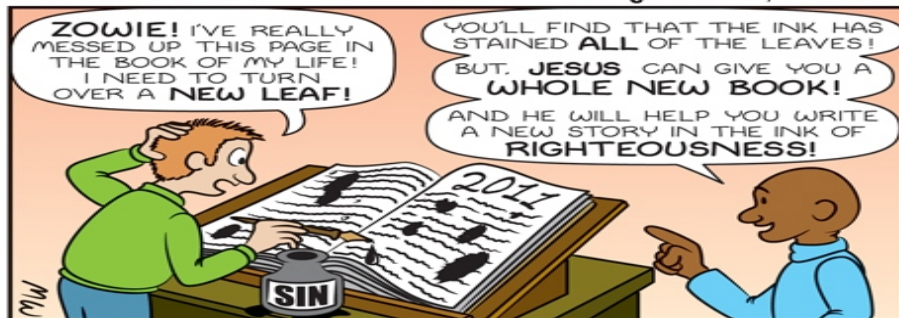
# Highlights

Pastor: Rev. Murray Lees



## A NEW LEAF?

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

— ROMANS 6:4 NIV

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A warm welcome to you as we meet to worship God.

## MESSAGE:

Pastor Murray:

“How To Accept The Things  
We Can't Change”



## Communion Service

*Kidz Zone & Nursery will be dismissed during the service.*



Our vision prayer:

O God, with all our hearts we long to be a  
movement of churches, transformed by Christ,  
transforming Canada and the world.

### Ministry Co-ordinators:

**Music Ministry: Leona Flasko**  
**Youth: Teryn & Mike Ulriksen**  
**Kidz Zone: Carla Flasko**  
**Playgroup: Rose Harman**  
**Church Office: Carla Flasko**



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Next Week's Usher: Leah  
Church Cleaners: Keith & Jessie

## What's happening this week!

Tuesday: Playgroup at 10am

Wednesday: Youth at 7pm

## Upcoming Church Events:



### Did You Know?

Paul Baloche, "A Christmas Offering" said in 2004, "Over the past fifteen years as Worship Pastor in my local church, I have found it a challenge to include worship songs that will integrate well into the Christmas season set list. I love pulling out the standard Christmas carols that we only seem to sing once a year, but I've found that very few of them are sung "to" The Lord. I believe it is so important in our congregational worship times to get our hearts going "vertical." So during the month of December, I will sometimes add a simple tag at the end of a familiar carol that gets us singing "to" the Lord instead of just "about" The Lord.

For example, at the end of "O Come Let Us Adore Him," try adding a chorus of "O Jesus we adore You, O Jesus we adore You" over the same chord progression. Another idea is taking a song like "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and at the end, where we sing "glory to the newborn King," add a simple tag by staying on the ending chord but keep the drums going. As we keep the rhythm going a bit, we'll start singing out a simple melody that the congregation can pick up easily while repeating the words...."we give You glory Lord, we give You glory." Practice a few different approaches in your rehearsal until you find a melody and chord progression that really helps the Christmas Carol turn into more of a vertical song. Similar to inhaling and exhaling, the carol is like inhaling all this wonderful content and the exhale is a simple worship response back to God."

### People Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries this Month:

- 1 Jessica Lees
- 9 Shawn Harman
- 20 Joe Therres

