

CALENDAR

Thursday, December 5

10:00 A BBQ

Saturday, December 7

5:30 P Preschool Advent, Dave & Sam's house

Sunday, December 8

Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 A Library Open

9:15 A Bible Study

10:30 A Worship, *Hanging of the Green*

Extended Teaching Care

Carolyn Cate, Jessica, Jennifer, & Matt Robinson, Sarah & Donna Patterson

5:00 P Teen Ringers
Advent Prayer Walk
Youth Choir

5:45 P Belles and Beaux

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

Monday, December 9

6:00 P Trustees Meeting, CCR

Tuesday, December 10

9:30 A Yoga

6:00 P First Place

Wednesday, December 11

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

5:00 P Advent Prayer Walk

Library Opens

5:15 P Family Dinner

6:00 P Children's Christmas Party

Youth Bible Study

Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, December 12

10:00 A BBQ

6:00 P Sherwood Middle
Christmas Concert,
Sanctuary

YOUTH

Youth Choir will be singing on Sunday, December 8.

Christmas Party
Home of Baileigh Futch
Friday, December 13
6-9 p.m.

Bring chips or a dessert to share! Also bring a white elephant (limit \$10) gift to exchange.

Ringing Bells for Salvation Army
Saturday, December 14
Cortana Walmart
10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Parents and youth need to call Dave to volunteer for a time slot.

CHILDREN

Children's Christmas Party
Wednesday, December 11
6-7 p.m.

Join us as we welcome Christmas with fun for all our children 3 years old -5th grade. We will meet in the multi-purpose room upstairs.

Children's Choirs

All the children's choirs (3 years-5th grade) will be singing on Sunday, December 8, for Hanging of the Green.

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H H A T S

Hanging of the Green & Children's Music

December 8, 10:30 a.m.



Peace

Advent Prayer Walk

Sunday, December 8
&

Wednesday, December 11
5-7 p.m.
in the Sanctuary



“The Symbol of Christmas”

“The symbol of Christmas – what is it?” That is the question posed by Howard Thurman in his book, The Mood of Christmas.

The Season of Advent gives the church the opportunity to begin again. Once more the full story of God’s grace is awaiting our discovery. Once more we shake off the failures and victories of the past, and we get a clean page on which to write the story of our companionship with God in Christ. Once more we get to listen and respond in faithfulness to the God who comes to us so humbly, intimately, and personally in the birth of Jesus. Advent initiates once again the remembering, retelling, and celebrating the whole drama of God’s revelation.

1 Samuel 2: 8-9 says, “He puts poor people on their feet again; he rekindles burned-out lives with fresh hope, Restoring dignity and respect to their lives - a place in the sun! For the very structures of earth are God’s; he has laid out his operations on a firm foundation. He protectively cares for his faithful friends, step by step...”

Advent confronts us once again with God’s unparalleled effort to communicate the message that all humankind is

embraced and held close by a God of love. Jesus Christ has come, is present with us, and will come again in final victory when all darkness, pain, and evil will be no more. In Advent we begin again to try to make plain the wonderful truth of the most extraordinary good news the world has ever heard. Soon we will join the angelic chorus in singing, “Christ the Savior is born.”

So what will be our symbol of Christmas this year? Thurman says, “It is the rainbow arched over the rook of the sky when the clouds are heavy. It is the cry of life in the newborn babe when, forced from its mother’s nest, it claims its right to live. It is the brooding Presence of the Eternal Spirit making crooked paths straight, rough places smooth, tired hearts refreshed, dead hopes stir with newness of life. It is the promise of tomorrow at the close of every day, the movement of life in defiance of death, and the assurance that love is sturdier than hate, that right is more confident than wrong, that good is more permanent than evil.”

See you Sunday,
Bobby

ADULTS

Church Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 15,
6 p.m.

\$5 per person

Menu:

Pork Loin, Dressing, Cranberry Salad, Green Beans, Rolls, Coconut Cake

Please make reservations for dinner in Sunday School or by calling the church office.

Four Piano Concert



7 p.m.

Following the Christmas Dinner, join us for an exciting night of Christmas music with Bernadette FitzPatrick, Paul Henderson, Francisco Silva, and Donna Toney.

Poinsettias

Our sanctuary is decorated for the Advent season. If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please call the church office. Twelve large poinsettias are available for \$40 each and small poinsettias are \$10 each.

“Our Journey Together”

As of 12/1/13 we have received 191 cards representing \$883,732 or 71% of our 2014 Budget goal of \$1,252,025. Please return your pledge cards as soon as possible.

Remembering Our Commitments

Only four Sundays remain in the year for church members to complete their contribution Commitments to the 2013 Church Budget. It is very important for the church to enter 2014 on a sound financial basis. To achieve this goal, we ask you to remember and honor the commitments made to our church’s ministries. **All financial gifts mailed to the church must be postmarked by Tuesday, December 31 to be counted for 2013. The church is counting on your stewardship faithfulness!**

Blankets for the Homeless

Joy Miller is collecting blankets for the homeless through the Salvation Army. If you have a new or gently used blanket you would like to donate, please bring it to the church office by Friday, December 6.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Home from the Hospital

Charles Steele
Anne Claire Wilson

Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to:

Annie Stringer and family on the death of her husband, Tommy.
Shane Gorsch on the death of his father.

In Loving Memory

Tommy Stringer united with this church on January 18, 1998 and departed this life on November 26, 2013.

Thank You

Words of sincere appreciation have been received from Wanda and Lloyd Williams.

ADVENT CALENDAR

December:

- 8-2nd Sunday of Advent (*Peace*)
Hanging of the Green & Children’s Music,
10:30 a.m.
- Prayer Walk, 5-7 p.m.
- 11-Prayer Walk, 5-7 p.m.
Children’s Christmas Party,
6 p.m.
- 13-Youth Christmas Party,
6-9 p.m.
- 14-College Christmas Party

15-3rd Sunday of Advent (*Joy*)

Messiah, 10:30 a.m.
Church Christmas Dinner,
6 p.m.
Four-Piano Concert, 7 p.m.

18-All Church Caroling, 6 p.m.

21-Longest Night Service,
6 p.m.

22-4th Sunday of Advent (*Love*)

24-Christmas Eve Candlelight
Communion Service, 6 p.m.

To reach the
On Call Minister
call
328-3474.

Wednesday Night Dinner

December 11

Brisket, Potato Salad,
Baked Beans, Rolls,
Banana Pudding