



The King's Herald Christ the King Lutheran Church

Universal City, Texas

In all we do...
growing disciples for Christ

DECEMBER 2021

WORSHIP TIMES & COMMUNION

We have resumed holding two worship service times (8am & 10:30am) and will continue to offer Drive-In radio transmissions as well as a live-stream (and later posting of the recorded service). For the time being, communion will be offered EVERY Sunday, but NOT at both services. On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, we will celebrate communion at 8am. While offering it at 10:30 on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

ADVENT STARS OF HOPE

We introduced this last year and are going to encourage it again. Help us share Advent hope this season in your neighborhoods by building a star (out of whatever material you like - wood, golf clubs, shish-ka-bob skewers, be creative and use what you have!). Then wrap it with lights and hang it in your window or out in the yard. Take a picture of it and post it on the church's Facebook page. Try to make them large enough to be seen from the street.



WAITING AND WATCHING

Most of us know Advent is a time filled with waiting and watching. To have fun with this, we will have a display of items that symbolize waiting and watching. You are invited to bring items in that you think convey waiting or watching and add them to the display. (Please be sure they are labeled if you want them back.) We will also be offering this on social media. So take pictures of waiting or watching moments to post there.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS

As always, we will have a variety of Advent devotional options available in the narthex for you to use as individuals or as families. We hope these devotional options might awaken you to the ways God can't wait to create hope, peace, joy, and love. We invite you to carve out time each day to listen for God speaking to you through art, poetry, silent reflection, and embodied prayer.

Also check out the special devotional option offered as a gift from the Southwestern Texas Synod office—Advent Sacred Time. (More information found online, in the email and at church).



CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP

December 24 at 5:30 & 8 p.m.

Candlelight Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, December 26

The Stories of Some Favorite Christmas Carols
w/ Holy Communion at 9 a.m. (ONE Service only)

Sunday, January 2, 2022

ONE Service only w/ Holy Communion at 9 a.m.

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR ...

In preparing for Advent, I ran across an article from Dr. Kelly Flanagan that said, "In the last month, I've heard countless people say they decorated early for Christmas this year because they needed a little more joy. Many of us, it seems, were deeply craving a season of lights. And, of course, we were"¹. This makes sense given all the world is going through over the last year (and more). The joy of this time of year is wonderful. It can help lighten our moods. It's almost magical.

BUT, the thing is this article was from 2016!!! As we know, this was not the first difficult year in the history of humanity (and it wasn't even the first pandemic in history). I'm not trying to downplay the difficulties we have experienced through the pandemic. But I am lifting up that we have faced many difficult situations and times in the past. And we have gotten through them. Leona Hietala shared an interesting quote in Bible study that speaks to this. "Today is the tomorrow I worried about yesterday and all is well." We often worry about things in the future or the unknown things or the things out of our control. And yet, as the quote reminds us, we have gotten through them; not only gotten through them, but life is well.

We don't know what tomorrow will bring and yet we still have hope. We trust in God and also in our relationships with one another. Advent may not seem like a necessity right now or even something we want to observe. We don't need four weeks of gloom and doom, because in some ways, it feels like our lives have been nothing but desolation and shadows for twenty-one months.

Dr. Flanagan also said, "this year, it feels like we need more than twelve days of Christmas. We need twelve months. We need the coming year to shine as if Christmas forgot to end. Yet, no one can make a whole year shine. ...All you can do is let your own light shine. All you can do is drop a quarter in that red tin bucket when you hear the bells ringing. All you can do is pay for the people behind you in the drive-thru. All you can do is look every solemn stranger in the eye and smile into their misery. ...All you can do is choose vulnerability over fear, belonging over division, and love over everything else. Above all love!! All you can do is believe the words of that little Baby who grew up to tell us all, 'You are the light of the world ... let your light shine.'"¹

In this time of unknowns (which in reality EVERY time is a time of unknowns), let YOUR light shine. Help others overcome their sadness, struggles and problems and in so doing, you may just overcome your own (if you have any). Be who you were created by God to be and share the gifts God gave you. And THANKS! Thanks for all the ways you share God's love with others around you!

1 - <http://drkellyflanigan.com/2016/12/20/what-is-christmas-its-when-we-defiantly-choose-the-light/>

Shalom y'all,
Pastor Mike



RETIREMENT PARTY

Help us celebrate Margaret Vogt! After nearly 14 years, Margaret is retiring as our Administrative Assistant. On December 19th, we will offer a blessing for she and Don during both worship services and hold a breakfast in their honor between services. Please join us in giving thanks for her amazing efforts in helping the ministries of Christ the King. Margaret's last day in the office will be December 24th.

Blessings for a Holiday Season filled with Peace and Love for All People!



Pastor Mike Mariesa Margaret
Sally Vanessa Carol Melanie
Suzanne Kathy
Dale Leona Reinaldo & Irene Diaz

Stewardship Message

"The world asks, 'What does a man own?' Christ asks, 'How does he use it?'"

You will recall that we previously informed the congregation that for the nine months ended September 30, our expenses exceeded our income by \$26,000. At that time, it seemed that it would be extremely difficult to reverse this trend by year end.

Our congregation has always risen to the challenge, and we were confident that, just as we have done in the past, we would overcome. On October 21, we sent a letter to our members asking that they prayerfully consider increasing their giving as they were able. We asked that our focus not be on what we can't do, but rather focus on what we can.

Now, let us fast forward to today, and look what you have done! During the month of October, our income exceeded our expense by \$16,962. This means that the previous deficit has now been reduced to \$9,600. This is a significant turn-around and sets the stage for even greater possibilities by year end.

Where do we go from here? We now have the momentum, and like a freight train, once it gets moving, it will be hard to stop. As mentioned above, let us not focus on what we do not think we can do, but rather focus on what we have done and can do.

We have enormous possibilities, and are convinced that by working together we will continue to be successful in reducing the deficit we now face. And by so doing, we will continue "growing disciples for Christ".

On behalf of your stewardship committee,
Bill Maddox



JOB OPENING - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

We are in search of candidates who are interested in this position. A job description is available from the church office. Please pass the message along if you know of anyone seeking employment.

WORSHIP THANKS

HUGE thank you's continue to everyone who has helped prepare and implement our worship services during November: Cindy Bonaccorsi, Joy Brown, Brendan Healey, Connor Healey, Will Jackson, Bruce Lemire, Ray Lopez, Joyce Lucas, Martha McIntyre, Carol McClelland, Dale Meyers, Patsy Meyers, Don Vogt, and Margaret Vogt.

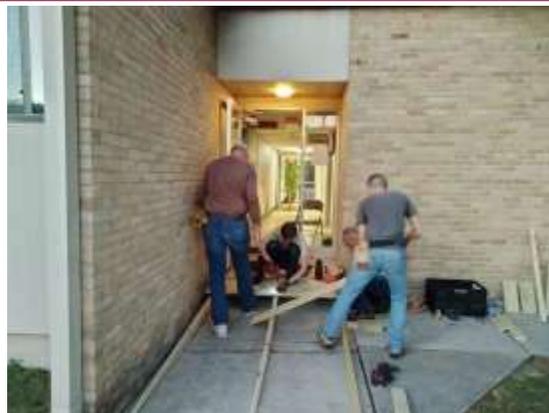
Also, a SPECIAL thank you to Ryan Agrella, Dale Meyers, Johan Rakotoniaina, and Sally Walters for managing the sound, to Vanessa Jackson and Sally Walters for music, to Ryan Agrella, Dale Meyers, and Mariosa Robbins for live streaming the services, to Will Jackson for putting out signs and helping Ryan with sound set up.



THE WORSHIP SERVICES WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE!



We are very excited to have the first of 2 new ramps completed as part of TJ Healey's Eagle Scout Project. These ramps allow those with mobility issues to safely go from Building 2 to Building 3. An extra special thanks to Tim Walters and Al Boos III for their help with his project.



Help RACAP fill their Christmas meal baskets

Please help RACAP fill their Christmas baskets. Food may be dropped off at the church office during normal hours (8am to 2pm). Also, you do not need to purchase ALL the items listed below. We appreciate ANY donation!

Flour	Granulated Sugar (4 lb bag)
Brown Sugar (1lb)	Evaporated Milk
Stuffing Mix (Stove Top Boxed)	Canned Pumpkin
Yams	Fruit Cocktail
Cranberry Sauce	Chicken Broth

If you don't have to time shop, donated funds will be used to purchase turkeys and perishable items for the baskets.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Thank you, ladies, who have been crocheting and knitting the "Prayer Shawls" for those ill at home or hospitalized. I have received positive responses and gratefulness for the prayer shawls. The prayer shawls are very effective in giving people a cheerful attitude in their recovery. I appreciate the time and the beautiful work you do as you prayerfully create these shawls. **God bless each of you!** I hope you will continue to help make these beautiful shawls. If anyone is interested in helping to crochet or knit prayer shawls, we have plenty of yarn available. Please contact me if you are interested.

Thank you.

Kathy Hanley, Prayer Shawl Ministry

CURRENT RACAP PANTRY NEEDS

Items Needed: Dish Soap, Jelly, Mac n Cheese, Ramen Noodles

RACAP has 24/7 drop off locations in the lobbies of these two businesses. Physicians Premier Emergency Room, 580 Cibolo Valley Dr. Ste. #137, Cibolo, is a 24/7 donation drop-off location. Donations brought to them will be brought to RACAP weekly. Schertz Cibolo Emergency Clinic, 4825 FM 3009, Ste. 200, Schertz, is a 24/7 drop off location. The clinic is located between the ATT store and Bush's Chicken. Donations will regularly be brought to RACAP.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

We realize this has been a financially difficult year for many and like you, we have limited our expenses. Even so, we're facing a fairly significant deficit for the budget this year and we need to increase our income. At the end of October, our total income (for the year) was \$268,644.51 and our total expenses were \$278,220.90. Therefore, income minus expenses totaled -\$9,479.42 (a deficit). The church council is asking you to prayerfully consider increasing your giving, as you are able. Every little bit helps as we continue to make a difference in our community, "serving neighbors near and far".



2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelope boxes for 2022 are being completed and will be available in your church mailbox. They can be picked up during office hours from Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or on Sunday morning at worship.

UNENDING THANKS ...

- ... to Joy Brown, Dinah Ryson, Glen Anderson, Jill Schulz, Leonard Geyer, Cindy Hatzel, Kathy Staley, Barbara Kovacich, and Leona Hietala for counting the offering in November
- ... to Katharine Barden, Lisa Lopez, Rich Patterson, Cade Robbins, and Kathy Staley for serving as liturgists in November
- ... to Glen Anderson, AJ Boos, Kathy Staley, Ann Krahn, and Cindy Patterson for serving as readers in November
- ... to Altar Guild members Alfrieda Anderson, Katharine, Chloe & Delilah Barden, Ann Krahn, Kathy Staley, Barbara Kovacich, and Cathie Theis for helping in November
- ... to Handbell Ringers who played in November: Joanne Benson, Cindy Bonaccorsi, Alan & Merrikay Compton, Melissa Compton, Dale & Patsy Meyers, Tricia Wolff, and Sally Walters
- ... to Worship Band members who played in November: Maggie Boos, Vanessa Jackson, Ray Lopez, Lee Rhoades, Edward Sauseda, and Sally Walters
- ... to Erika and Roby Robeson for organizing our WELCA donations for the 2021 Ingathering and to Cindy Bonaccorsi, Kathy Hanley, Patsy Meyers, Lisa Lopez, Dinah Ryson, and Pete Ryson for helping at St. John's in Marion on the day of the Ingathering
- ... to Mariesa Robbins for preaching in November
- ... to Arby's and Whataburger on Pat Booker Rd, who provided coupons or vouchers for the visitor's bags
- ... to Barbara Kovacich, Kathy Staley and Cathie Theis for all the Narthex Cabinet displays they have arranged.



Let us know if you know of someone who has gifted CTK with a "secret" stewardship ministry. Although one may do it quietly, we would like to say "thank you". And, if you have "secretly" accomplished a ministry task for CTK, we thank you!

THANK YOU

The rest of the pray ground wish list on Amazon has been generously purchased by the Rosalie Laxton Memorials. Thank you again to all who helped to make this project a success!



DECEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

- December 5 - 8:00 am - Liturgist - Lisa Lopez; Reader - Cindy Patterson
10:30 am - Liturgist - Al Boos IV; Reader - Carol McClelland
- December 12 - 8:00 am Liturgist - Rich Patterson; Reader – Margaret Vogt
10:30 am - Liturgist - Katharine Barden; Reader - Chloe Barden
- December 19 - 8:00 am - Liturgist - Kathy Staley; Reader - Jody Robbins
10:30 am - Liturgist - Lana Marthiljohni; Reader - Glen Anderson
- December 24, Christmas Eve -
5:30 pm - Liturgist - Logan Lane; Reader - Cade Robbins
8:00 pm - Liturgist - Joyce Lucas; Reader - Justin Craig
- December 26 - 9:00 am - Liturgist - Cindy Bonaccorsi; Reader - Dinah Ryson





POINSETTIAS

We will again be purchasing poinsettias for our Christmas services. The poinsettias will be \$15 each, and may be ordered by signing up on the sheet on the ushers table in the narthex or by calling the church office. We will only be ordering 30, so sign up early.

ELCA GOOD GIFTS - ALTERNATE CHRISTMAS GIFTS



Most of us spend too much money on gifts and yet many of us admit that the tradition of gift-giving leaves us with too much stuff and too few meaningful memories. We invite you again this year to consider giving gifts to your loved ones using the ELCA Good Gifts program. With ELCA Good Gifts, you can find more than 50 life-changing, charitable gifts – such as a pair of goats, school fees or a water well – and give a gift the world truly needs. Each gift can be given in honor of a friend or loved one, and you can send or download a personalized card to let them know about it. Shop now at ELCA.org/goodgifts. We will also have ELCA Good

Gift ornaments in the lobby on the trees by the sanctuary doors.

NARTHEX DISPLAY CABINET

To help decorate the Narthex Display cabinet, we are asking you to (once again) share your favorite manger scenes / creches. Bring in a nativity scene from your house and we will display them all in the cabinet. Please be sure to have it labeled with your name. And if there is a story that goes with it, please type that up to share as well. Thanks! We look forward to seeing the many wonderful nativity scenes.



OUTREACH PROJECT

The song says: *“It’s beginning to look a lot like Christmas”* and Christ the King Outreach Committee is helping make those words come true for children. We are asking for your help by donating to the Schertz Police Department Jingle Drive from November 22 to December 10. Outreach will have a decorated box in the Narthex. Suggested donations are for **new** toys (puzzles, coloring books and crayons, stuffed toys, dolls for girls, trucks, trains, or cars for boys). We will deliver the donations to the police on December 13.

Thank you from the Outreach Committee

STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFTS



At Christmas time, our congregation has traditionally expressed our appreciation to the staff for the work they do during the year. It’s time to start thinking about that again. Staff gifts are not included in the budget. Gifts for our staff will come from your specific contributions.

Please prayerfully consider this request. If you choose to participate, please put your contributions into an envelope, mark it “Staff Gifts” and put it into the collection plate on Sundays, bring it by the church office, designate it in online giving or mail it in by Sunday, December 12. Any money received after this date will be held for distribution the following year.

In His Service,
Kathy Staley, Council President



Do you like to play with fire?? (did I catch your attention?)

Do you like to serve in worship in a really amazing and meaningful way? Talk to Mariesa about how you can be trained as an acolyte.



Middle School / High School Sunday School — we will now be meeting during the 9:00 Faith Formation hour. Join us December 1 for donuts and coffee and catch up with us if you haven't been in awhile!!



Chloe Barden, Avre Boos, Brendan Healey, Connor Healey and Will Jackson have all signed up for National Youth Gathering this summer in Minnesota. There is still time to sign up. It is going to be an amazing trip. You won't want to miss it. How can you help? This month, you will see envelopes placed in the entryway of the offices. If you would like to, take one of these envelopes and add this to your offering basket. In the coming months, we will be doing a chicken dinner plate and our Yard Sale as well as other fun ways to get involved.



If you bought tamales, watch for an email and Flocknote/ text message on pick-up times. Also, don't forget to pay for your orders!!! Thank you for your support!!



Youth Ministry Cookie Swap and Christmas Party

Everyone bring 2 dozen cookies. We will share 1 dozen with the group and vote on the best cookies. Then, you will get to take home 1 dozen cookies each. We will also play Christmas games and have other Christmas fun. This will be on December 19 at noon.



Little's Youth Ministry On December 12, we will meet for cookie decorating and ornament making. Join us at noon for lunch, cookie decorating and ornament making. We will share sandwiches chips.



Advent Retreat - December 3-4 at Lutherhill
1st—6th grade \$30

We will travel to La Grange Friday evening and return Saturday evening. It will be an exciting 24 hours of fun at camp that you won't want to miss.

If you are interested in signing up, Please let me know by November 20, so I can get you the registration information.

Children's Messages and Children's Church

With the beginning of 2 worship times, we will again be starting children's messages (children's sermons) as a part of worship. We will still do Children's Church but only during worships with Communion.



On November 12-13, the newly elected Southwestern Texas WELCA synod board met to review objectives for the coming year. Prior to meeting, President Lisa Lopez encouraged us to plan to attend with an open hear and mind. Lisa challenged us to think about our God given talents and how they could be used in service to WELCA. We were very productive during our time together and are blessed with unity of purpose. As we continue to work to establish goals and make plans on how to accomplish them, I ask for your prayers for the board. Please pray for the Lord's direction and for His provision as we move forward.

Check out our website and follow us on Facebook:

National WELCA website: <https://www.womenoftheelca.org/>

Southwestern Texas Synod WELCA page: <https://www.swtsynod.org/church-together/pages/welca>

Facebook: Southwestern Texas WELCA

Upcoming events:

January 27th General Meeting at 6:45 pm in the fellowship hall

Carmen Hawkins, President

PAJAMAS FOR NEW LIFE

We have contacted New Life Children's Center in Canyon Lake and are ready to provide them with pajamas and slippers again this year. We will get the information on size and color preference after Thanksgiving. We have several people who shop for bargains all year, so we do have some on hand. If you want to shop now, please do. Our biggest need is women's size large, then medium, then extra large. If you want to wait and shop for specific girls, please call Erika Robeson or Cindy Bonaccorsi. We will contact you when we know what we need.



Guidelines for pajamas: Pants may be long or capri, but no shorts; tops may be long or short sleeve; but no sleeveless, no tank tops, no spaghetti straps; no metal such as zippers or grommets; as for decoration, no inappropriate sayings, no skull and crossbones, no hearts.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

On November 6, we delivered our 2021 LWR work to St. John in Marion. We took 25 baby care kits, 62 personal care kits, 73 school kits, 5 fabric kits and 19 quilts. Thanks to Rob Robeson for providing the transportation.

We only had 4 quilt making sessions this year so only made 19 quilts. (We usually have 60 or more.) Those who participated this year were Carol Bearce, Joanne Benson, Cindy Bonaccorsi, Merrikay Compton, Patsy Meyers, Dinah Ryson and her sister, Peggy Emmerich, and Marion Weishaar.

Special thanks to those who helped assemble the baby care and school kits: Cindy Bonaccorsi, Dinah Ryson, and Marion Weishaar.

We have one more session in 2021 on December 8 at 1 pm in Building 3. Starting in January we will not have only 3rd Tuesday sewing days, but instead will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. If you have any questions, please call Erika Robeson.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Adult faith formation is just as important as when we were children. Therefore, we have a number of opportunities here at Christ the King for you to get involved. **These are open to everyone! So come join the discussion of your choice and bring a friend!**



Ladies Bible Study Holiday Schedule

Nov. 28th: Off for Advent Fair/Thanksgiving weekend

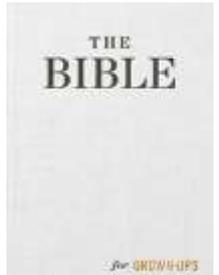
December: (We resume 2 worship services)

5th, 12th, 19th: 9:15AM – 10:15AM

December 26th & January 2nd: Off for Christmas break

Thursdays at 6:15 pm via Zoom - beginning December 9th

Our next Bible Study is entitled *The Bible for Grown-Ups: As children, many of us received a leather-bound book full of long words and difficult names we couldn't pronounce. We were told everything in it was true and we should do our best to abide by its teachings. What was oh-so-simple then is . . . Well, it's not simple. Perhaps that's because we were taught Bible stories but not the story of the Bible. Big difference. In this 4-part series, Andy Stanley gives us a way to approach the Bible that begins with something other than "in the beginning..."*



All are welcome at any time during this study. Please contact Thomas Hawkins with any questions.

Wednesday morning with Pr Mike at 11:00am (please note different time)

During Advent, we will be using the Advent Pilgrimage in Palestine materials "The WAY to Bethlehem". "We often talk a lot about the Holy Land of the past without talking much about the Holy Land of the present. What is going on in Bethlehem today? Young adults from the ELCA and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land will lead us on this pilgrimage through story, education, and theological reflection."

We meet in person in the Disciples' room and offer the online Zoom option as well. **Everyone is welcome** to join us on this journey. **We will NOT meet on December 22nd and 29th.**

WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed on Monday, December 27, and Tuesday, December 28. It will be open on Wednesday, December 29th, Thursday, December 30th, and Friday, December 31st, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for any last minute offering donations for 2021.



At this time, if you have not picked up your 2022 offering envelopes, you may do so as well. Christmas Blessings!

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

Articles for the January 2022 newsletter are due **NO LATER THAN the December 13th because of Christmas** and may be sent to Margaret Vogt at ctkadm@sbcglobal.net or brought to the church office.

We remember in prayer:

THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS:

Gene Bielke	Ellen Mayclin	Jill Schulz
Sherry Bielke	Judy McCort	DJ Schultz
Fran Bitney	Jim Mosley	Kent Schultz
Aina Blake	Ruth Mosley	Philip Seaman
Carol DeNoble	Glenn Nordin	Henry Serry
Hazel Knipp	Betsy Reid	Marion Weishaar

THOSE IN CARE FACILITIES:

Anna Harman Fred Hermann John Widner

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF CTK:

Ava Anderson, <i>granddaughter of Glen & Alfrieda Anderson</i>	Patty Landacre, <i>friend of Kathy Hanley</i>
Judy Babcock, <i>Jan Lindorfer's friend</i>	Madison Landavazo, <i>Mariesa Robbin's niece</i>
Kimberly Bomer, <i>daughter of Billie Gruenewald</i>	Chris Loftus, <i>brother-in-law of RACAP Director</i>
Bubba Copley, <i>great nephew of Dana Abbey</i>	Scott Mayclin, <i>nephew of Toni Hollinbeck</i>
Jacque Donaldson, <i>friend of Cindy Patterson</i>	Donna Pichelmann, <i>Kathy Hanley's mother</i>
Joe Dougherty, <i>friend of Dinah Ryson</i>	Elizabeth Poe, <i>John Poe's mother</i>
Lauren Doyle, <i>Jan Lindorfer's friend</i>	Claudia Prado, <i>Jan Lindorfer's daughter's friend</i>
Nelson Dueck, <i>great nephew of Jill Schulz</i>	Mark Schroeder, <i>husband of Suzanne Schroeder</i>
Oliver Dueck, <i>great nephew of Jill Schulz</i>	Randy Smith II, <i>friend of Richard & Marilyn Groomes</i>
Joseph Dueck, <i>great nephew of Jill Schulz</i>	Don Stout, <i>Marge Stout's son</i>
Guy Echols, <i>friend of Cindy Bonaccorsi</i>	Glenn Uecker, <i>cousin of Barbara Kovacich & Kathy Staley</i>
Dave Goss, <i>Rob Robeson's friend</i>	Linda Weishaar, <i>sister-in-law of Marion Weishaar</i>
Mike Hartfiel, <i>friend of Pastor Mike</i>	James Wieshaar, <i>son of Marion Weishaar</i>
Rodney Hoepken, <i>Susan Abbey's cousin</i>	Shelly Wolff & Family, <i>Patricia Wolff's family</i>
Maggie Jackson, <i>Jeremy Jackson's mother</i>	Steve R. Wolff, <i>Patricia Wolff's family</i>
Carolyn Sue Kelly, <i>friend of Kathy Hanley</i>	Clay Wright, <i>Dinah Ryson's friend's brother-in-law</i>
June Kerkow, <i>friend of Betsy Reid</i>	Howard Yeary, <i>Margaret Vogt's brother</i>
Debbie Kittridge, <i>sister of Cindy Bonaccorsi</i>	Jennifer Zahradnick, <i>Mariesa's friend's mother</i>
Gene Kraemer, <i>Marion Weishaar's brother</i>	Family of Marilyn Weishaar, <i>Marion Weishaar's sister-in-law</i>

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Robbie Cooper	1	Margaret Vogt	10	Vincente Cruz	20
Melanie Vogt	1	Steve Lerum	11	Becky Cabacungan	22
Cindy Nutt	2	Tyler Wilburn	14	Donald Wetzler	24
Autumn Abbey	7	Lee Bennett	15	Rachel Ball	26
Indy McClelland	7	Collette Lopez	15	Kaylee Faulkner	28
Carol McClelland	8	Wilma Kirchman	17	Cheryl Becker	29
Lee Rhoades	8	Helen Widner	17	Jim Benson	29
Dinah Ryson	8	Kathy Staley	18		
Brendan Healey	10	Annikka Jensen	19		



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARYS

Jack & Linda Dowda	4	John & Helen Widner	14
Pete & Dinah Ryson	5	Jeremy & Vanessa Jackson	21
Richard & Marilyn Groomes	10	Al & Sheri Boos	22
Jonny & Joy Brown	12	Philip & Trudy Seaman	28



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Free COVID Testing in Parking Lot</u> Mon, Wed, Fri, 9am—3:30pm Tues, Thurs 3:30pm—5:30pm Sat-9:00am-1:30pm After hours, call 210-580-0052</p>			<p>1 11:00 Bible Study, Disciples' Rm & Zoom 4:30 Handbell Rehearsal 6:00 Choir, Sanctuary 7:30 Worship Band, Sanctuary</p>	<p>2 7:00 Hermann Sons, Bldg 2 7:30 Rolando Ramon, Violinist, Recital, Sanctuary</p>	<p>3 Advent Retreat Lutherhill Leave 5:30 PM</p>	<p>4 Advent Retreat Lutherhill Return</p>
<p>5 <i>Blue</i> 8:00 Holy Communion 9:15 Faith Formation 10:30 Worship 8:00 Phoenix NA, Bldg 3</p>	<p>6 Pastor's/ Mariesa's Day Off 6:30 Boy Scouts, Bldg 2</p>	<p>7 8:30 Star Academy, Bldg 2 & 3 6:15 Girl Scouts, Bldg 3</p>	<p>8 11:00 Bible Study, Disciples' Room & by Zoom 4:30 Handbell Rehearsal 6:00 Choir, Sanctuary 7:30 Worship Band, Sanctuary</p>	<p>9 9:30 Meeting in Disciples' Room with Bishop Sue 5:45 Handbells, Disciples' Room & Sanctuary 7:00 DAV/DAVA, Bldg 3</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
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