



# Koinonia *focus*

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## Christmas Eve

Mark you calendars for December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7PM for the TWCC Candle Light Christmas Eve Service. This year there will be five instruments leading us in worship as we gather to celebrate Christ's Birthday.

Our guests will be playing;

- Violin
- Cello
- Guitar
- Clarinet/flute/saxophone on different songs

This will be a beautiful and moving experience and we will lift candles and share in Silent Night at the end of the service. What a great time to bring and invite family, friends, and neighbors to this service.

# Children's Sunday School

Sundays at 9:00am

We are using Celebrate Wonder curriculum and this month is of course about Advent. The lessons are Mary's good News, Mary and Elizabeth, Jesus' Birth, and Simeon and Anna.

Advent is when all of Jesus' followers practice waiting. For 4 weeks we wait together for Christmas. We celebrate together each Sunday while reflecting on hope, love, joy and peace. We light the Advent candles each Sunday to guide us through the time of waiting like a countdown clock. While we wait, we learn to love like God loves.



## Baby Shower for PACN

While we wait to celebrate the birth of Jesus, lets shower other babies with gifts.

DWF is sponsoring a baby shower for Pregnancy Assistance Center North. Through the month of December bring unwrapped baby items and place them under the tree. We will deliver them at the end of the month.



The items they need are Similac Advanced (blue), diapers of all sizes, wipes, toiletry items (bath, shampoo, lotion), diaper rash cream, and onesies.



**If you enjoy hands on outreach, join Hope's Path on December 4th!**

**Day Of Caring - December 4, 8am-1pm -located off Rayford Rd.**

**28918 South Plum Creek Drive  
Spring, TX 77386**

- Hope's Path needs your talents and time to help with various projects. Projects include: cleaning, painting, yard maintenance, and minor household repairs.

Hope's Path is a residential internship program that helps aged-out foster youth find their identity in Christ and launch them into successful, sustainable independence.

# Christmas Greeting Tree

Given the rising cost of postage, TWCC would like to provide you with a means to extend your Season's Greetings to members of the Congregation without mailing.

There is a *Christmas Greeting Tree* in the Narthex, where TWCC members can hang Christmas cards and Season' Greetings to the Congregation.



# Christmas Cookie Tasting

Sunday, December 12

Please bring a big plate of Christmas cookies to share after the worship service. Hunt through your recipes to find your favorite one to bring.



# TWCC Christmas Market

Sunday, December 12



Do you need a few more gifts for Christmas?

We will be showcasing church members that have money making hobbies. We will be in the Narthex after church along with the cookies! A great time to finish your Christmas shopping. The Piecemakers will have their craft items, Paul and Fran Mathews will have their wooden items, Jan Price-Carey will have vintage jewelry. If you have something you would like to sell let us know so we can have a table ready for you. Call Susan Mayhall at 281 794 8322 to reserve your spot.

# Christmas Blessings Box

The items on the list attached are suggestions. You may substitute as needed. Perhaps you may want to purchase a plastic bin, laundry basket or a similar useful container to put your items in and donate along with the food. After Christmas we will deliver the boxes to a food bank.

## Christmas Blessings Box

### AS A DAILY REMINDER OF OUR BLESSINGS

#### ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX

After Christmas we will deliver the boxes to a food bank.

The items on the list are suggestions. You may substitute as needed.

Perhaps you may want to purchase a plastic bin, laundry basket or a similar useful container to put your items in and donate along with the food.

- December 1 – box of cereal
- December 2 – peanut butter
- December 3 – box of chicken broth
- December 4 – boxed potatoes
- December 5 – jelly or jam
- December 6 – canned fruit
- December 7 – canned tomatoes
- December 8 – canned tuna
- December 9 – cake mix and frosting
- December 10 – jar of applesauce
- December 11 – bottle of oil (canola, corn, olive etc.)
- December 12 – spice jar (garlic powder, creole seasoning, Mrs Dash, etc.)
- December 13 – canned beans
- December 14 – box of crackers
- December 15 – package of rice
- December 16 – package of oatmeal
- December 17 – package of hot chocolate mix
- December 18 – salt & pepper
- December 19 – chicken noodle soup
- December 20 – box of shelf stable milk (available at Dollar Tree)
- December 21 – canned corn
- December 22 – tea bags or instant coffee
- December 23 – canned carrots
- December 24 – canned green beans

Do you hear what I hear? I love this song. The story set to music that shares the message of the wind, the lamb, the shepherd boy, the King, the people... do you hear what I hear?

What do you hear this Christmas? Are you listening yet? Have you closed your eyes and open your heart to the wonder and miracle of Christmas yet this season?

If yes or no, take a moment and read the words to the song.

Said the night wind to the little lamb,  
do you see what I see  
Way up in the sky, little lamb,  
do you see what I see  
A star, a star, dancing in the night  
With a tail as big as a kite  
With a tail as big as a kite

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy,  
do you hear what I hear  
Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy,  
do you hear what I hear  
A song, a song, high above the trees  
With a voice as big as the sea  
With a voice as big as the sea

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king,  
do you know what I know  
In your palace warm, mighty king,  
do you know what I know  
A Child, a Child shivers in the cold  
Let us bring Him silver and gold  
Let us bring Him silver and gold

Said the king to the people everywhere,  
listen to what I say  
Pray for peace, people everywhere!  
listen to what I say  
The Child, the Child, sleeping in the night  
He will bring us goodness and light  
He will bring us goodness and light

He will bring us goodness and light. We all need goodness and light. It's easy to leave someone alone in their darkness or even be in the darkness ourselves at times. But I challenge you to be a deliverer of the good news that goodness and light have been, will be, and are in our world. We celebrate it every year at Christmas and we celebrate again. So have fun and do all of the lighting things, and mall things, and outdoors celebration things, the downtown things, the cookie and hot chocolate things, and even take a moment and dance to the Jingle Bell Rock, but remember to:

Pray for peace, people everywhere!  
listen to what I say  
The Child, the Child, sleeping in the night  
He will bring us goodness and light  
He will bring us goodness and light

Celebrate... for Joy to the world, He will bring us goodness and light.

Brother Joe

# December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5:15 Staff Meeting 6:30p SHoP	2	3	4 7:30a Men Bible Study 9:00a SA Group
5	6 7:00p SA Group (C15)	7 9:00a Piece-makers	8 5:15 Staff Meeting 6p Music Rehearsal 6:30p SHoP	9	10	11 7:30a Men Bible Study 9:00a SA Group
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19	20 7:00p SA Group (C15)	21 9:00a Piece-makers	22 5:15 Staff Meeting 6p Music Rehearsal 6:30p SHoP	23	24 7p Christmas Eve Service	25 <b>Christmas</b>
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## Birthday's

**12/01 Lanny Low**      **12/15 Norman Power**  
**12/03 Kaeliegh Yates**      **12/16 Art Owsijuk**  
**12/12 Rob Adams**      **12/24 Gayla Shanks**  
**12/14 Greg Cram**      **12/31 Cortland Samford**

## Sunday Counters:

12/5 - Peggy & Paul  
 12/12 - Luke & Ann  
 12/19 - Ed & Jeff  
 12/26 - Teresa & Gayla