

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF ORLAND PARK

FAITH MATTERS



Advent & Christmas

Advent is the season of waiting. The word “advent” derives from the Latin “adventus,” which means “coming.” Advent the season of preparation for the celebration of Jesus’ birth. It’s also the season of anticipation for Jesus’ second coming – when Christ will come to judge the living and the dead.

So, what’s the difference between Advent and Christmas? Lester Ruth, a professor at Duke Divinity School and a historian of Christian worship, offers this distinction: *“The simplest way I have to distinguish between Advent and Christmas is that Advent uses the word ‘come’ as a longing petition, expressed in anticipation, whereas Christmas is a commemorative reflection on how the Lord has come in Christ’s birth and thus the trigger for a new redemptive order has begun.”*

As we journey through this Advent season, I hope you’ll make WORSHIP a priority. You can join us for worship in-person or online. You can also worship on your own or with family & friends. While the temptation during this season is to speed up, let’s take time during this holy season to slow down, worship God, and reflect on God’s greatest gift of all.

Christmas & New Year

Here’s the worship schedule for Christmas and New Year.

On **Saturday, December 24**, we’ll offer 3 worship services @ **4 PM, 7 PM, and 11 PM**.

The **4 PM** service is an interactive and shorter service designed with children in mind.

The **7 & 11 PM** services are more traditional in design and feature music by the Faith Rising Band (7 PM) and Chancel Choir (11 PM). All 3 services will include carols, communion, and candles. *(note: Nursery care will be offered at the 7 PM Christmas Eve.*

On **Sunday, December 25**, we’ll gather @ **10 AM** for a **Service of Lessons & Carols**. We’ll celebrate Christmas by reading Scriptures and singing Christmas Carols.

On **Sunday, January 1**, we’ll gather @ **10 AM** for a **Wesleyan Covenant Service**. This is a time to remember our baptism and renew our covenant as disciples of Jesus Christ. There are no other worship services this weekend.

On **Saturday/Sunday, January 7-8**, we’ll resume our regular worship times (**Sat @ 4 PM** and **Sun @ 9 & 11 AM**) with our New Year’s sermon series, **“Soul Reset.”** Based on the book study by Rev. Junius Dotson, this series will invite everyone moving through life at breakneck speed to slow down and do a hard “reboot” of our spiritual lives. This sermon series will be accompanied by a ZOOM small group on Sunday nights @ 7 PM. If you’re interested in being part of this discussion group, contact me (pastorcaleb@faithumcop.org).

Here’s the **December preaching schedule**.

November 26&27

December 3&4

December 10&11

December 17&18

Saturday, Dec 24 @ 4, 7, 11 PM

Sunday, Dec 25 @ 10 AM

Sunday, Jan 1 @ 10 AM

“Advent 1: Prepare the Way - Announcement”

“Advent 2: Prepare the Way – Zechariah’s Song”

“Advent 3: Prepare the Way – Repentance”

“Advent 4: Prepare the Way – Celebration”

“Christmas Eve: The King’s Arrival”

Joint Service *“Service of Lessons & Carols”*

Joint Service *“Wesleyan Covenant Service”*

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Christmas Eve Offering

Over the last decade, I have regularly asked our Finance Committee if we're able to give away our Christmas Eve offering. After all, Christmas is not our birthday. It's Jesus' birthday, and what better way to offer Jesus gifts than to serve our neighbors in need. This Christmas Eve, I'm happy to announce that we'll give away 50% of our Christmas Offering to a missional cause designated by our Mission & Endowment Committees. Stay tuned for more information.

Church Conference

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2022 Church Conference on Wednesday, October 26. If you'd like to access an electronic version of the 2022 Church Conference Reports, you can find them on our website: www.faithumcop.org. You'll find them by clicking "Resources" and "Documents."

Leadership Opportunities

The ministries of Faith UMC are a collective labor of love. While our church hires staff to oversee some key areas, we rely on lay volunteers to lead the vast majority of our ministries. This fall, the Nomination Committee worked hard to connect the right people into the right ministries. However, our work is not done. We still have openings in the following ministry areas: **Athletic Committee chair, Blood Drive coordinator, Welcome Center coordinator**. If you're interested in learning more about these ministry areas, contact our Program Coordinator, Sandy Ward (708-444-8560).

Director of Family Ministry

Do you know someone with deep faith in Christ, strong leadership & communication skills, and a God-given gift for connecting with young people? Faith UMC is searching for a new Director of Family Ministry to lead one of our Strategic Goals - ministry with children, youth, and families with children. If you (or someone you know) is interested in learning more about this position, share your resume and 3 references to Bruce Person (brukar621@yahoo.com) ASAP. We will conduct interviews in early December and hope to hire by January 1, 2023.

There are a lot of exciting opportunities to worship, serve, and connect at Faith. I encourage you to read the rest of this month's newsletter to learn more about worship, fellowship, and missional activities in the coming weeks.

Pastor Caleb



Honorees 2022
Faith United Methodist Church
November 1, 2021
through
October 31, 2022



Craig Anderson
Dudley Buck
Jinx Carlson
Bob Carlson
Irene Copack
Darlene Dewar
Glenn Drechsel
Phyllis Edeling

Arnold Enneca
Bernice Gut
Ron Harley
Dennis Hill
Dariss Hoover
Glenn Hoover
Dennis Juwinski
Alvena Kent

Joyce Kerrigan
Collette Lyons
John Mack
Michael Masek
Keth Mattson
James Matual
Pastor Jan Moore
George Matzer

Ruth Muller
Al Noland
Mrs. Odigie
Sally Shepard
Jean Smith
Alice Saylor
Gary Termunde
Justin Vest

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Missions, UMW, Men of Faith, and Church & Society would like to thank everyone who donated items or money to help the refugees from Central and South America. Our collection took place the first two weeks in November.

We will be collecting again the first two weeks of December. Thank you to those who took Christmas tags to purchase Christmas gifts for children in need through Together We Cope.

Thank you to Pastor Caleb and Chelsea Castaneda's small group for donating food to the Micro Pantry on November 13th, and a big thank you to Chelsea who did the regular weekly shopping for the week. Bill Zeitz will no longer be able to do our weekly shopping (thank you Bill for your help) so I will have a sign-up sheet for anyone willing to take a turn shopping for the week of your choice. I will provide the shopper with a \$100 gift card each week and instructions. Please see me at the gift card table on Sundays between services or give me a call at 708-638-8461.

Have a blessed Christmas!

Genie Lang



RaiseRight:

SHOP RaiseRight THIS CHRISTMAS! Don't forget to check out our one-stop shopping for gift cards through our RaiseRight program. Gift card order forms & the list of businesses are at the RaiseRight table every Sunday between services and are available on our website. I ask that you not use the form with all the businesses listed as your order form. You can either use the short form that you can print out, get at the table or write your order on a piece of paper. I place RaiseRight orders every Sunday, and you pick up your cards at the table the next Sunday. You can also put your order in the RaiseRight mailbox in the office. Arrangements can be made to pick up your gift cards sooner if you need them before the following weekend. Call 708-638-8461. A check made out to the church or cash must be turned in with your order form. Gift cards make great gifts (there are cards for \$10 available for Christmas) for teachers, your mail carrier, garbage man, stocking stuffers and anyone you like to give a little something to for Christmas! Don't forget that all money raised goes to support our adult and youth mission trips. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number or stop by the RaiseRight table!

Genie Lang

RaiseRight Coordinator

For anyone who hasn't had their picture taken, there is a make-up day on 12/17. Contact Linda Bitzer for more information.

If you have not filled out an information card yet and want to be included, the forms are located outside Room 4, or contact the office to have one sent to you.

For all of you that have turned in your cards, you will soon be getting an email from:

Instant Church Directory <no-reply@instantchurchdirectory.com>

Confirm your Church Directory Email

Follow the directions and click on it to confirm your email. Once it is confirmed you can create in a login for yourself and you will have access to all the available information.

If necessary, we will make some time before and after services to help create the logins. Watch the bulletin for updates. If you have any questions, contact Michelle Babics.





Family Ministries

After a long hiatus, **Trunk or Treat** returned to Faith's parking lot just in time for Halloween. We were visited by skeletons, cowboys, Sonic the Hedgehog, and racecar drivers among others. Kids and families enjoyed receiving lots of candy, goodies and free popcorn and hotdogs. Thank you to the 26 families who donated their trunks for this fun event. We can't wait for next year's event!



Operation Christmas Child Boxes have been delivered. Thanks to our amazing congregation we were able to **deliver 300 boxes!!!** That's a record number of boxes! Your generosity not only allowed us to fill and send 300 boxes, but we had enough money to pay for shipping for each box. We delivered a **\$3000** check! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to all who prayed, supported, filled a box, and donated shipping costs. What an amazing way to share the love of God during the holidays!

Santa Claus is coming to town! Santa will be at Faith on **Saturday, December 3rd, 9-11:30am.** Come join us for a fun morning to kick off the holiday season. The big guy in red will be here for visits and photos. Each child will receive a free gift. Enjoy a puppet show and sing-a-long, make a Christmas card, decorate cookies, enjoy hot cocoa and create a one of a kind craft to take home. This is a free event open to all ages. Bring your friends, family and neighbors for a morning filled with fun and excitement.



All kids are invited to the **Happy Birthday Jesus Party** on **Sunday, December 18th** during worship services. Following Faith Kids, children will be dismissed to the Sunday School room for a party to celebrate Jesus' birthday. Join us for fun games, snacks, and gifts as we celebrate our Savior. Kids ages 3 years through high school are welcome. After the party, Sunday School will be taking a break for Christmas and New Year's.

Regular Sunday School classes will resume on Sunday, January 15th.

Faith will be offering 3 worship services on Christmas Eve. Services will be offered at 4, 7, and 11pm. All three services will offer communion. The 7 and 11pm services will be more traditional, while the 4pm is a more family centered service. This service will be a shorter and more interactive service filled with familiar Christmas songs. Kids will actively participate during the reading of the Christmas story.



For centuries, humans have read the stars to navigate directions. The symbol of a star has represented many meanings and beliefs throughout the world. We as Christians look to the Christmas Star as a symbol of divine light bringing the miracle of Jesus to the world. As we begin the holiday frenzy countdown of spending, decorating and doing....slow down, slow down. Look to the sky for the Christmas Star to beam down the light of hope, less worry: the light of peace less hurry. If you need directions, call pastor or Bruce Person, Stephen Ministry coordinator.

*"We have seen His Star in the East and have come to worship Him."
Matthew 2:2*



May your spiritual compass lead you to the Christmas Star of promise and peace.
Nancy Duracka

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Veterans Voices: Join a group of veterans of the armed forces of the United States. We support each other & the greater community of veterans in the area and the U.S.A. Check out the Veterans Voices Website: www.veterans-voices.org . May we never forget their service to our country.



General Membership Meeting: This month's meeting will take place on Thursday, 12/1/2022, 7 PM, at the Orland Park Veterans Building, 15045 S. West Ave., Orland Park. The program will be announced with the meeting reminder email.

Walk of Honor: We are accepting orders for pavers to honor our veterans on the Walk of Honor. Paver orders received between now and April 14, 2023, will be installed for Memorial Day 2023. Order forms are available outside of Room 4. Order forms can also be downloaded at our web site www.veterans-voices.org . Select "Services" then "Walk of Honor." The cost per paver is \$65.

Honor Flag: We raise the honor flag in honor of a deceased veteran. Registration forms can be found outside Room 4. Contact Dale Carver at (762) 218-7657 or veteransvoicesop@gmail.com for more information.

Veterans Day: A big "Thank you" to all who attended our Veterans Day observance services, concert, and spaghetti supper. A special thanks to all of those who worked so hard to bring this event to fruition. It was a glorious celebration!

Questions? Contact Gary Lang @ 708-638-5213.

Men of Faith United Methodist Men Activities for December 2022, and beyond!



Lake South District UMM Monthly Meeting: There is no district meeting scheduled this month.

Men of Faith Sunrise Breakfast: Sunday, 12/11, 7:30 AM, FUMC Fellowship Hall. There will be a short update on upcoming activities, and a devotional presented by Dale Carver. Breakfast will be provided.

Promise Keepers Breakfast: Wednesday, 12/21, 8:30 AM at Stacks Restaurant. Stacks is located at the corner of Harlem Avenue and 183rd Street. Jim Simmons will lead the meeting.

Lake South District UMM Wednesday Night Bible Study: This is a teleconference group that meets every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. Next week we will begin studying 2 Samuel. We will be using the book "LifeChange, 1 & 2 Samuel." Contact Dale Carver for details.

Men of Faith Recognition Weekend: Thanks to everyone who attended any of the services, the concert, or the spaghetti supper the weekend of Nov 12/13, especially those who worked so hard to make the event a great time for all. The celebration was a huge success, especially the surprise on Jim Simmons' face when he was inducted into the Society of John Wesley. Our men are **AWESOME!**

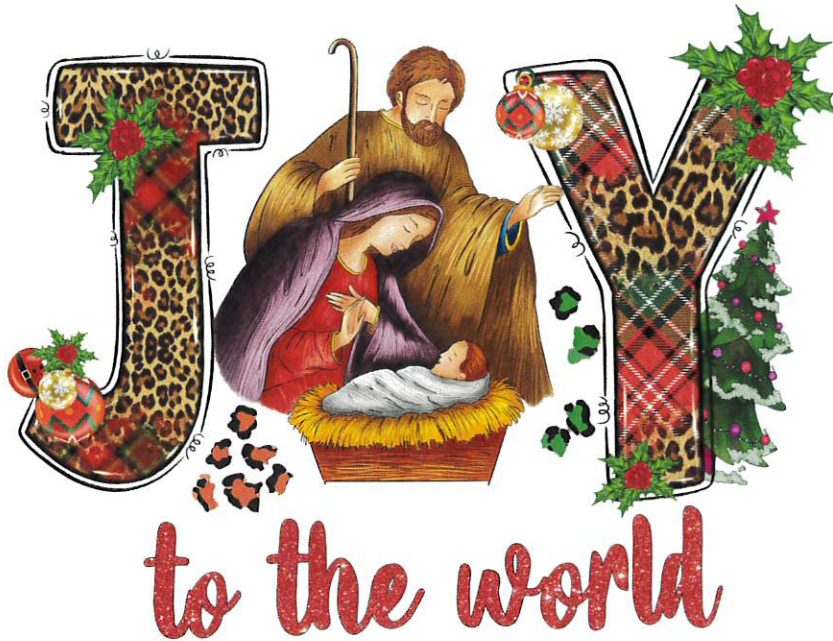
Questions? Contact Dale Carver @ 762-218-7657 or aonemanshow@comcast.net



SPECIAL THANK YOU

Jim Simmons would like to extend a special "Thank you" to all the members of the church especially the Men of Faith, who made it possible for me to receive the United Methodist Men's Fellow of the Society of John Wesley award. I greatly appreciate receiving this honor.





Pastoral Emergency Fund

Objective: Provide monetary assistance to our neighbors in need.

Background: Faith currently has a designated fund that provides bill assistance and gift cards to our neighbors who express need.. By donating to the Pastoral Emergency Fund, your resources will be used by Faith's pastor to assist with bill payments and gift card assistance.

How to help: You can donate to the Pastoral Emergency Fund by mailing a check to Faith United Methodist Church, 15101 S. 80th Ave., Orland Park, IL 60462. Please make checks payable to Faith United Methodist Church. In the memo line of the check write Pastoral Emergency Fund for your donation to be used towards bill assistance. Or, in the memo line of the check write Pastoral Emergency Fund - Gift Cards if you would like for your donation to be used to purchase gift cards for assistance.

You will be credited on your giving statements for donations to the Pastor Emergency Fund.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pastor Caleb at pastorcaleb@faithumcop.org or 815-





Happy December! Does anyone believe that it is already the last month of 2022? I hope that on the whole, it has been a blessed year for you and your family.

Our Faith United Methodist women have had a great year. We were finally able to have an in-person gathering, put together a wonderful cookbook, and had a very successful in-person bake sale.

Thank you to our Faith family members and friends who generously donated their time, talent and gifts to the Holiday Bake Sale. Officially, we made \$2,047.50. We were blessed to have so many bakers, workers, (20 +) and supporters. Thanks to everyone who helped; the bakers, pricers, packers, decorators, sellers, table setters, cashiers, tea and coffee experts and cheer leaders. I also want to thank Don for all his help, encouragement and support. We will use the profits to support local and international missions for women, children and youth here and around the world.

On a related note, we have sold all of our Faith Family Cookbooks. Thank you so much to all who contributed to its success. I hope you are enjoying the yummy dishes.

We have been made aware of a couple mistakes. Watch the newsletter for updates. Contact Donna Petersen if you notice something questionable, so we can check it out and let folks make correction. We may even post them on the bulletin board outside Room 4. Stay tuned.



Invitation to Blue Christmas:

A Service of Quiet Contemplation

Faith will be hosting a Blue Christmas Service on Sunday, December 11 at 1:30 PM. The contemplative service promises respite to weary hearts. We will find a quiet place in our sanctuary where grief, pain or disappointment can be acknowledged in the hustle and bustle of the holidays

In a season of celebration, grief doesn't seem to have a place. But the truth is that the holiday season can amplify feelings of sorrow and pain. Loss of any kind such as a loved one, broken relationships, a health crisis or financial uncertainty can cause suffering that brings hurt, pain, grief, and disappointment.

Blue Christmas offers a reflective and quiet approach to Christmas for anyone grieving a loss of any kind with words of comfort, music, and heartfelt prayers all designed to give you comfort and strength.

"I lift-up my eyes to the hills; where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." (Psalm 121:1-2)



Athletics



WITNESS TO FITNESS/EXERCISE GROUP 3RD ANNUAL "BAKING FOR THE TROOPS"

Once again over 30 members of our exercise group had the joy of sending homemade cookies to our Military members serving overseas. Over 108 tins of deliciousness were mailed out on November 21st with Christmas blessings. It is just a small way in which our group can thank our soldiers for their dedication and service with a "taste of home."

Thank you, Lil Wertheim



"Witness to Fitness" meets Monday, Wednesday & Friday, at 9:00 AM for exercise, fellowship and walking class. Call Darryl Wertheim with questions 708-781-9696. God Bless !!

Tai Chi: Meetings at the church on Mondays & Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 AM. Call Bill Grizzle for more information. 708-636-5330.



Fellowship News

Singles will be visiting the home of Sandy Ward, aka **Mrs. Claus**, on Tuesday, 12/13 to enjoy her decorations along with some finger food and fellowship. There will be a sign up sheet outside Room 4 in early December.

Great idea for those still working - on Saturday 12/17, the Methodist Church in New Lenox is having a Christmas concert. It is a food drive so bring something for the Orland Park food pantry or a monetary donation. We will be carpooling for this one, and the sign up sheet is outside Room 4. We will need to leave by 5 PM so plan an early dinner. Contact: Nancy Clemenson at 309-337-9174.



Weekly E-Notes

Weekly e-notes continue. These are short news blasts (different from our monthly newsletters) that Pastor Caleb sends out each week. Each note contains a short devotion and a reminder of "news" for the upcoming week. The goal of the weekly e-notes is simple: to improve communication within our church family. If you'd like to subscribe to this mailing list, go to our church website (www.faithumcop.org) and sign up.

Nursery Help Needed



We are in need of a team of volunteers to help occasionally when one of our attendants is ill or on vacation. We want to ensure that our nursery is able to offer an excellent, inviting, and safe environment for our youngest children. Volunteers need to be vaccinated, wear masks, and have attended a Safe Sanctuary class within the past 3 years. If you are willing to assist occasionally with this important job for Sunday services or have questions, please contact Kathy Broadhurst at (708) 535-3591.

Check out our website: www.faithumcop.org.

Attn: All committee chairs should review their web page information to ensure accuracy of information. Provide updates to Michelle Babics (Michelle@faithumcop.org).

Strategic Goals

Bless Children & Youth
Deepen Discipleship
Broaden Missional Impact

Deadlines

Please forward all articles/information/photos for the monthly newsletter and for the Sunday bulletin to: faith@faithumcop.org. The deadline for all newsletter articles is noon **the 15th of each month**; the deadline for the bulletin information is **Wednesday at noon**. Be certain to indicate if the news is for the bulletin and/or the newsletter.

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Saturday Service: Blended - 4 PM
Sunday Services: Traditional - 9:00 AM
Contemporary - 11:00 AM
Nursery - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Church Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM —3:00 PM
Friday 8:30 AM—12:00 PM

Caleb Hong: Pastor
Beth Ridderhoff, Director of Music
Kim Clifton, Director of Family Ministries
Jim Sandberg: Director of Congregational Care
Sally Puzon: Office Manager
Sandy Ward: Program Coordinator
Michelle Babics: Director of AV Ministries
Rolf Moan: Choir Director
Don Lowry: Custodian

Please submit newsletter articles by the 15th of each month. Articles can be e-mailed, or submitted in MS WORD format.

Text Messaging Sign Up



We are using a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that will help us share important **updates and reminders**. If you are interested in being added to this means of communication via text, please text to 81010 in "To" line & @faithum in message line. All personal information is kept private. You can opt-out of messages at any time by replying "unsubscribe @faithum". There is no charge for using this service if you have an unlimited text plan. If you have a specific text plan, each received message will be 1 text.

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Please keep our homebound in your thoughts and prayers:

Garnet Suhs, Mario Vergara, Doreen Wardell

Please keep these people in your prayers:

For all who are travelling during the holiday season

For neighbors in Chicago & around the world and all who are impacted by gun violence

For people of Ukraine and all parts of the world torn apart by war

For healthcare workers, first responders, police officers, & fire fighters

For service men & women stationed domestically & internationally, and their families.

For Health & Healing:

Barbara Kellogg

Bob Connolly

Bob Fulton

Carol & Chuck Kreuz prayers for son Steve

Chuck & Carol Kreuz

Chuck & Gwen Svoda prayers for Julie & Gordan

Debbie DeLorenzo prayers for ex-husband John

Debbie Fuller for grandson, Jackson

Dolores Genis

Dick Maxwell prayers for his grandson Richard's wife Angela

Don Edgren

Doris Fenton

Harold Deneka

Herb Mohn

Ilo Roque

Jeannie Bellik prayers for dog Pookie

Jim & Lita Hudik prayers for daughter-in-law Gina & friend Sonny

Laura Schuldt for her brother

Linda Bitzer prayers for brother-in-law, Billy

Lorie Bradach for coworker, Jon's family

Maury Junod

Patricia Parker

Peggy DeNormandie prayers for mom, Margaret

Rich Jones for sister Barb

Ron Drechsel

Ron Kulak

Rutha Gruetzmacher

Sandi Kough

Sandy Ward for sister, Judy

Sarah Kubicki prayers for cousin, Marilyn

Sharla Parker prayers for Ryan's girlfriend, Andrea

Stella Sharma prayers for great-aunt, Carol Sue

Sue Azana prayers for husband, Eli

Susan Heaton's mother, Janice

Tiffany Wu prayers for her mom, Patricia

Vanessa Leon prayers for her family in the passing of her sister-in-law Elvira

Vanessa Leon prayers for Uncle Herb & Aunt Carmen



Grief:

For all who are experiencing holidays for the 1st time without a loved one



Christmas Greeting Bulletin Board

'Tis the season to share Christmas cards and photos and we'd love to see yours. There is a Christmas bulletin board next to the office with thumbtacks on which to hang your holiday greeting. If you are out of town, please mail or email us one and we'll hang it up for you.

"For Praying Out Loud" Class

Dr. Jim Sandberg will lead a class on Sunday December 4th at 10:15 in room 8.

He is going to guide us feel more comfortable with praying aloud. Sometimes we may want to say a prayer before a holiday gathering or meeting but feel timid. Dr. Jim will ideas and resources with us to help build our confidence. (Your may bring your plate of treats and coffee from Taste of Faith with you.)

Church library books to check out:

The Purpose of Christmas by Rick Warren

Rick Warren has written a beautiful little book about what makes Christmas so special.

"We can get so caught up in all the distractions of Christmas activities that we can miss the purpose of Christmas altogether." Sometimes we need a Christmas refresh. **There are copies of this book and DVDs available for you to borrow from a book rack in the Narthex.** Please use the sign out card in side the cover and return it when you finished. You may also want to watch Warren's *Purpose of Christmas* videos on YouTube.

Finally, our appreciation for all who participated in the Fall small groups and classes. As always, it's wonderful to strengthen our faith, share our experiences and make new friends.



The Endowment Committee met for the final meeting for 2022 on Thursday, 11/10. All members were at the meeting except Chuck Svoboda who is wintering in Texas.

There were 6 requests for donations and I am happy to say that we were able meet the requests of the following not for profit organizations:

- ◆ Owasppe Staff Association - A scout troop that Ron Kulak is associated with. Requested help with funding for future camp projects.
- ◆ Coming Up Rosie - Rosie is a child who was diagnosed with Alopecia. Rosie along with her family & this organization makes up "Smile Kits" that help children create beautiful head scarves & superhero capes. These Smile Kits are sent to hospitals & charity organizations around the world.
- ◆ Elim Christian Services - Funding to continue the assembly of Hope Packs which provides meaningful work to their adults with disabilities along with opportunities to bless others locally & around the world. There are Hope Packs assembled with school supplies provided to under-resourced children throughout Chicago & the suburbs. Elim's Hope Packs partners with "Love a Child" & other relief organizations sending food Hope Packs to impoverished families overseas.
- ◆ Filter of Hope -This organization brings the Gospel along with providing life-changing clean water solutions to those who are in desperate need of both. This organization reaches out to those in the United States & Latin America.
- ◆ Mercy Home for Boys & Girls - Proceeds to help provide food assistance to Mercy Home's youth & families in need.
- ◆ Toy Box Connection Children's Charity - This is a local organization that supports children & local organizations with toys, clothing, and many more items that are in need of so many children. They work with Mooseheart orphanage, burn camps, cancer camps & autism camps for kids.

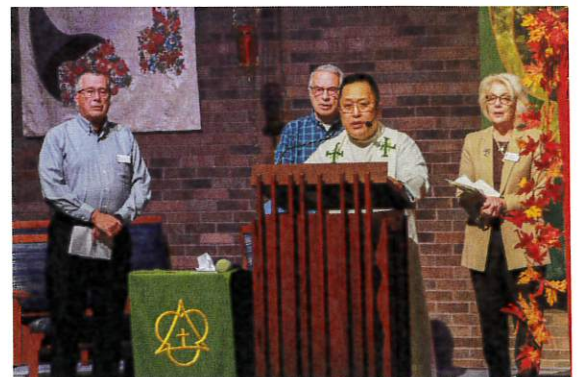
With the balance of our available budget for the year we sent checks to: Night Ministries, Crisis Center of South Suburbia & Pediatric Treasurer Chest. We also said goodbye to Sharon McCasland who has served this committee for 6 years. How blessed we are to be able to support so many wonderfully caring organizations.

Many Blessing,
Paula Morrone, Endowment Chair









- ◆ Trunk or Treat
- ◆ Puppeteers
- ◆ Operation Christmas Child
- ◆ Veterans Day Celebration

- ◆ Alleluia Quartet
- ◆ Jim Simmons' John Wesley Award Celebration
- ◆ Reception of Memorials






December 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 4 Worship 9 & 11 AM How to Pray Aloud -10:15 AM OA 2 PM	 5 Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM	6 Girl Scouts 5 PM AA 6:30 PM	 7 CODA 10 AM Upper Room 10 AM Tai Chi 10:30 AM SA 7 PM Choir 7:30 PM	1 AI Anon 7:15 PM	2	3 OA 8:30 AM Santa Jamboree 9 AM Worship 4 PM AA 6:30 PM
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 Group for
 Families

Note: Walking
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 meets every
 Monday, Wednes-
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 Friday




**HAPPY NEW YEAR
 2023!**

**Happy Birthday
 Jesus**



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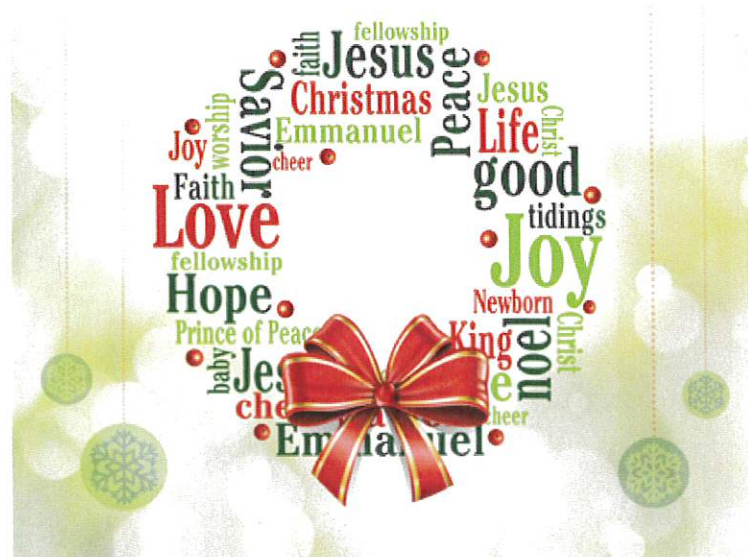
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Special Upcoming Events

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Dec 4	How to Pray Al oud
Dec 11	Blue Christmas Service
Dec 24	Special Services 4 PM, 7 PM, & 11 PM
Dec 25	Special Service 10 AM
Dec 26	Office Closed
Dec 31	No Service(s)



Please check with the office or the committee chair for exact times and locations. See our website for other, regularly scheduled events & meetings.