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Upcoming Events!

Year End Giving - If you are looking to make a year end gift, please do so by December 31st.

<u>January 8-12: Week Of Prayer</u> will be each evening from 6:30-7:30. Join us!

January 9: Engage will be Tuesday from 5:30-7. The cost is \$3/person or \$10/family. Come on out! Let the kids burn off energy, there will be an activity for kids and have a meal made for you and your family!

January 14: Men's Group - The Last Supper On The Moon will begin meeting on Sunday evenings at 8PM in the classroom off the gym from 1/14-2/18 (not meeting on 2/11).

<u>January 16: MOPS (Mothers of</u>
<u>Preschoolers)</u> - We will NOT meet Jan 2, but will resume on 1/16.

January 29: Parenting in a Tech World Life Group - Starting on January 29th, Pastor Holly and Pastor Matt will be hosting a life group for parents surrounding the topic of parenting in an ever-evolving tech world. There will be snacks and appetizers, video curriculum, and small group time to debrief. Please sign-up in the welcome center or by talking to Holly or Matt.

February 11: Chili Cook-Off - After our 10:30am service, the Youth Group is hosting their annual Chili Cook-Off in the gym to help raise funds for our students. It's \$5 for an adult, \$3 for a child (up to 12), and \$20 for the family! We also need your help! If you would like to help us make chili, you can sign up in the Welcome Center or on our website. Make sure to mark your calendar!

<u>Clothing & Food Pantry Donations</u> are being accepted on Sundays or during office hours. We are in need of canned or packaged goods for the pantry and kids clothes of all sizes. The Kids

Things You Should Know!

<u>Connect Cards</u> can be found in the seat-back pocket in front of you! Please fill it out, take it to the Welcome Center in the Foyer and grab a gift! We want guests to feel welcome and we hope to see you again!

<u>Prayer Requests</u> can be submitted via the website under the Ministries tab. These prayer requests go directly to Pastor Aaron and are confidential.

<u>The Bridge the Gap Fund</u> sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings, you may do so by putting donations in the box at the back of the sanctuary or by giving online. Please email the church office for more information.

<u>Church Directory App</u> is available now! If you need help accessing it, please contact the church office and we can work on getting you set up!

Further Reflection for 12/31

- 1. Read Luke 15:11-30. What stands out to you from this passage? What do you highlight when you read it?
- 2. Both sons are lost in their own ways. After reading the passage, which son do you relate to the most?
- 3. Considering the son we most relate to, what are the ways that we can remedy our lostness and be reconciled to Christ? What are the ways that we can trust and have faith in God's love?
- 4. Prodigal means to give lavishly, which describes the Father's love for his sons and also for us? How could the reality of God's overwhelming and immense love for you shape the way you approach life and faith?
- 5. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-20. What could it look like for you to be reconciled and transformed into a new creation?
- 6. As we enter the new year, what is one step we can take towards a deeper faith?
- 7. Pray

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Weekly Gatherings:

Sunday Service: 9AM & 10:30AM Kids Service: Sundays during both Services Youth Group: Sundays from 6-7:30PM