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Upcoming Events!

December 31: New Years Eve service will be at 10AM.

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

January 14: Men's Group - Men's Group will begin meeting on Sunday evenings at 8PM in the classroom off the gym.

January 16: MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) - 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!

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Things You Should Know!

Connect Cards 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!

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

The Bridge the Gap Fund 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.

Church Directory App 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 12/24

1. What is the best/worst interruption you have experienced?
2. Read Matthew 1:18-25
3. What jumps out to you from the text?
4. Put yourself in the shoes of Joseph, what would you have been thinking?
5. Read Luke 1:26-38; 2:1-21
6. What jumps out to you from the text?
7. What do you think was running through Mary's mind? If you had been her, what would have been running through your mind?
8. Compare the 2 different birth narratives and what are the things you see as most important between the two of them?

Further Reading: Hidden Christmas: Timothy Keller

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| Savior | Shepherds | Star | Virgin | Worship |

Weekly Gatherings:

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