
WELCOME TO WORSHIP

AS WE COME together in worship and praise of God, we pray that each person present might experience the presence of Christ in a personal way. A warm welcome to one and all.

Friendship Folder - Please sign and pass the friendship folder. If you are a new or frequent worshiper, please sign in so that we will know you are here. The names in the book also allow you to greet those next to you by name.

For the children - Be sure to ask an usher for one of the "Rainbow Bags" which is full of appropriate activities for the worship hour. Parents, please don't retie the bow on the bag handles as we are using this method to figure out which bags have been used. Thank you!

Prayer Concerns - Valley's pastors and staff pray for needs in the church each week. Fill out a prayer request form found in the friendship folder and *place it in the offering plate or hand it to the pastor.*

Nursery care is available every Sunday from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM.

The Killian Family invites you upstairs after the second service for fellowship. There will be coffee, tea, juice, and goodies and a whole lot of people to meet and greet.

THE LECTIONARY TEXTS for Sunday, December 20 at the 8:30 AM service are *Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:47-55* or *Psalms 80:1-7; Hebrews 10:5-10* and *Luke 1:39-45 (46-55).*

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR DECEMBER 13

Pre-K (3 and 4 yr. olds)

Time: After *Time with the Young Church* until 11:15 AM

Classroom: Room 4

Bible Story: Kindergarten Class will join the Pre-K class for the Bible Story lesson
with Kay Hope Gold

Music: Amy Rheingans will visit during class

Guardian Angel: Lynn Duncan

Lesson: Advent/Nativity

Creative Classroom Circuit (Grades K – 5th)

Time: After *Time with the Young Church* until 11:15 AM

Music: In Armitage Hall with Amy Rheingans

Classrooms: Kindergarten, First Grade, Second Grade - Fireside Room cooking
with Kim Smith

Third Grade - Room 15 art video with Shannon Blair

Fourth Grade, Fifth Grade - Computer Lab with Donna Russell

Shepherds: Kay Hope Gold, Amy Henning-Blair, Richard Gold, Kristina Kurtz

PLEDGE ENVELOPES - All members who have pledged for 2010 may pick up your pledge envelopes in the Fireside Room.

ALL CONTRIBUTIONS must be received in the church office before **12:00 noon, December 31, 2009** in order to be included on your 2009 annual report. Cash contributions must include your name and/or envelope number. Thank you.

KIDZ MART IS COMING! Please drop your "gently used" articles (household items, desk supplies, scarves, books, soaps, candles, etc.) in the blue basket outside the Children's Ministries office. All children are invited to shop on Wednesday, December 16 from 4:00 - 7:00 PM and Saturday, December 19 from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. Attention teens and adults, we are in need of shopkeepers. Please contact Kay Hope Gold.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - December 15, 2:00 - 7:00 PM. Please join loyal Valley donors and share the gift of blood. The need is great, the gratification instant! Sign up during coffee hour, or call Mary Lee Marshall.

CENTS-ABILITY SUNDAY IS DECEMBER 20! Share in this Christmas season. Bring your Cents-Ability banks to church next Sunday. Our nickels for hunger go to Presbyterian Hunger programs, including a local agency, Care to Share.

MESSENGER ARTICLES and photos are due Tuesday, December 15. Thanks for sending everything on time to messenger@valleycommunity.org.

AHOY MARINER SHIPS! Looking for a CARGO project idea for 2010? Consider re-painting one or more of the classrooms in the East Wing. Please contact Kay Hope Gold for details.

'TINY BETHLEHEM' MUSICAL of the Christmas story will be next Sunday, December 20, during the 10:00 AM service. "Tiny Bethlehem," features beautiful music, much of it composed by our music director, Adam Steele, as well as choir member Larry Hawkins. Youth and adults present a pantomime of the Christmas story while the voices of the Sanctuary Choir and King's Kids Choir provide the music, along with organist Darlene Cusick and a harpist. Invite friends to join us.

INFORMATION GATHERING - The church office will be converting to a new database system for 2010. Information forms have been sent to all available e-mails in the current database and will be available in the church office to fill out. You may also complete a form by visiting the church website at www.valleycommunity.org. If you did not receive a form via e-mail, please contact the church office with an updated address. Thank you.

THANK YOU to the Senior Adult Luncheon staff for providing food, entertainment and inspiration. A big thank you also goes out to Pastor Ben and the Valley Christian Preschool students for leading the singing of Christmas songs.

SALVATION ARMY GIVING TREE - Today, December 13, is the last day to bring new, unwrapped toys for the Salvation Army Giving Tree. The East door will be unlocked until 5:00 pm. Tags can be found on the trees located near the Fireside Room and in the Youth House.

STUDENT MINISTRIES - 6th through 12th grade

CHRISTMAS REUNION DINNER AT THE YOUTH HOUSE - Save the date and spread the word! A reunion dinner is being planned for Monday, December 21 at 6:30 PM in the Youth House. All young adults are invited. What a fun way to reconnect with friends, share what you have been doing and meet some new people! Email karen@valleycommunity.org or jenny@valleycommunity.org so we can plan for dinner. Friends are welcome!

MIDDLE SCHOOL - 6th through 8th grade:

- ◆ **MIDDLE SCHOOL L.I.F.E.** this Wednesday, December 16 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM in the Youth House. Bring a wrapped \$1 gift for our Christmas gift exchange. Bring a friend!

HIGH SCHOOL - 9th through 12th grade:

- ◆ **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** this Tuesday, December 15 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM in the Youth House. The topic of the night is *Hunger Meal*. Join us for a great night of discussion.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE COMING WEEK
December 13 - December 20, 2009

SUNDAY, December 13

8:30 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School
 10:25 AM Youth Sunday School
 11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship
 2:00 PM Boy Scouts
 3:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 592
 Den 7

MONDAY, December 14

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
 1:00 PM Century Club Christmas
 Party
 6:00 PM Girl Scout Troop
 6:15 PM APNC
 7:30 PM Troop 592

TUESDAY, December 15

10:00 AM Tai Chi Class
 2:00 PM Deacon's Red Cross Blood
 Drive
 6:00 PM Mission Committee Mtg.
 7:00 PM Deacons Ministry
 7:00 PM High School Uth Group

WEDNESDAY, December 16

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
 8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
 12:00 PM Wednesday Adult
 Education
 4:00 PM Kidz Mart
 4:15 PM Royal Ringers
 5:00 PM Cherub Choir
 5:00 PM King's Kids Choir
 6:30 PM Middle School L.I.F.E.
 7:00 PM APNC

THURSDAY, December 17

8:00 AM Soup Kitchen
 10:00 AM Alanon
 10:00 AM Piecemakers
 10:00 AM Tai Chi Class
 6:15 PM English Handbell Choir
 7:15 PM Sanctuary Choir
 8:00 PM Mom's Basketball

FRIDAY, December 18

8:00 AM Women's Aerobics
 3:30 PM Junior Girl Scouts

SATURDAY, December 19

9:00 AM Kidz Mart

SUNDAY, December 20

8:30 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Worship Service
 10:00 AM Children's Sunday School
 11:15 AM Coffee Fellowship



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