### THE UPDATE



December 2025

### Rooted In Christ, Growing In Faith, Loving Our Neighbor



### **Women's Circle News For November**

**Circle #1** will meet at the **Opus Building on Monday, December 1st at 6:30 pm** for Christmas Dinner. Jim will be cooking and Joy Steele will have our lesson.

Circle #2 will meet on Tuesday, December 9th at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall for our Christmas Lunch. Debby is providing the meat and side dishes will be provided by the Circle members.

Circle #3 will meet at Sarah Kivett's house on Tuesday, December 2nd at 5:30 pm. Bring your holiday spirit and your favorite dish.



### **Our Music Ministry**

If you are interested in being a part of the church's music ministry please speak with Sarah Rogers Griffith, Brad Rashley, or any choir member. We work hard in rehearsals but have fun doing so. May the Lord be glorified in our music. Amen!

### **December Children's Message**

December 7 - Phil Lail

December 14 - Doug Griffith

December 21 - DeNeil Suarez

December 28 - Scott Jeffreys

### **December Children's Church**

December 7 - Matt Tomlin

December 14 - Alexis and Parker Jeffreys

December 21 - Caroline and Kyle Wigley

December 28 - Jan Gantt



### **December Elder Duty**

December 7 - Jim Staples and Matt Tomlin

December 14 - Phil Lail and Doug Griffith

December 21 - Deena Chambers and Deborah Chipman

December 28 - Mary Crawford and David Lackey

### **December Nursery Schedule**

December 7 - Matt and Jessica Tomlin

December 14 - Jill and JD Dotson

December 21 - Landrea Rhyne and Azariah Peet

December 28 - DeNeil Suarez and Amanda Chipman

## **Happy December Birthday to You!**

- 2. Karen Smith
- 3. Deena Chambers
- 7. Kay Osswald
- 8. Johnny Hoover
- 8. Steve Lackey
- 11. Ann McGarr
- 16. Esther Johnson
- 18. Nell Shull
- 29. Janice Gantt
- 31. Jill Dotson



# Events to come:

Session Meeting - December 4th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Connections In Christ - Wednesday December 10th - 11:30 am Lunch at Village Inn Pizza Everyone meets there at 11:30 for lunch and conversation. Pay for your lunch & join us in the side room

**Joy Lunch will not meet** - Because of the upcoming Holidays, we **will not** have a Joy Lunch in December.

Christmas Dinner - Sunday, December 14th at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Christmas Eve Service - Wednesday, December 24th at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary

# Musical Events to come:

We are planning lots of music for our **Sunday morning worship services** the next few weeks. Come extra early to enjoy all of the prelude music. We pray that you will find comfort and joy in all that you hear. To God be the glory!

On November 30th the Five 'til Five brass quintet will be playing prelude music as well as music throughout the service along with our Chancel Choir.

**On December 7th** Livia and Rachel Palmer will be sharing their musical talents of singing, piano and violin music along with our Chancel Choir and children.

On December 14th and 21st, our own dedicated Forest Park musicians will be sharing their talents as they lead the music for our worship services.



# Middle East Luncheon - November 9



Debby Sipe's brother and sister-in-law BJ and Karen Cocilo gave an informative presentation about their life in the Middle East. The women of the church served soup and artisan bread.

# **Girl Scout's Friendsgiving Lunch**







Dear Fellow Church Members,

It is the time of year for Forest Park to receive donations for the annual Love Gift, our yuletide gift for our minister, secretaries, choir director, organist, groundskeeper, and sexton. We are fortunate to have wonderful, dedicated staff members, and this is our way of thanking them for their efforts.

You may bring your donation to church and place it in the basket, or you may mail or drop off your gift at the church office. Please try to do this by December 14th.

In the spirit of the season, Beth Lail Clerk of Session





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28 9:45-10:45 \$S 11-12 Worship	21 9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship	9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship 6:00 pm Christmas Dinner	7 9:45-10:45 SS 11-12 Worship		Sunday
29	. 22	. 15	00	6:30 pm Circle 1 Opus Building Christmas Dinner	Monday
30	23	16	1:00 pm Circle 2 Christmas Lunch in the Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm School Chorus Concert in Sanctuary	5:30 pm Circle 3 Sarah Kivett's house Christmas Dinner	Tuesday
31 10:00 am Prayer	6:00 pm Christmas Eve Service in Sanctuary	10:00 am Prayer	10 10:00 am Prayer Connections In Christ 11:30 Village Inn Pizza	10:00 am Prayer	Wednesday
	25 Christmas Day	18	11	4 6:30 pm Session Meeting Fellowship Hall	Thursday
	26	19	12	5	Friday
	27	20	13	6 5:00 – 9:00 pm Christmas Open House Sarah & Doug's home	Saturday