

THE WEEKLY

NOVEMBER 26, 2024

CHURCH CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 27

1:00 PM - Bible Study - Library

Thursday, November 28 - THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday, November 29 - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, November 30

9:00 AM - UK Car Park

9:00 AM - Sanctuary Decorating for Advent

Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday Fellowship

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:30 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Choir Practice

10:45 AM - Worship Service

12:00 PM - Advent Workshop - Chalice Hall, Bradford

Room

Monday, December 2

7:00 PM - Local Outreach - MC3

ANGEL TREES GIFTS DUE DECEMBER 6

We're amazed at how quickly our angels flew off the Christmas trees! Thanks to everyone who took an angel. You're going to make a child very happy this Christmas! Angel tree gifts can be turned back into the church office or left at the trees on Sunday morning. Unwrapped gifts are to For questions or to get involved with this awesome be placed inside a trash bag with the attached numbered sticker (a roll of wrapping paper can be placed in the bag). Please let Missy know if you have any questions.

HELP US DECORATE THE SANCTUARY

This Saturday, November 30, at 9:00 AM, we'll meet in the sanctuary to help get it ready for the Advent season. Everyone is welcome to join us! Come be part of the fun as we get ready for this joyous season! Please park ONLY in the south lot (closest to Glendover) because of football parking in the north lot.

FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Please join us this Sunday, December 1, for First Sunday Fellowship. Cookies and milk will be served in the narthex following each service.

Sunday, December 1

In the Beginning Sermon Series Hitting the Ground Running Mark 1:1-8

Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson

NEST FOOD BOXES YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Every autumn our Youth Ministry collects money to supply food boxes for The Nest - and this year we have a goal of filling 400 boxes! The cost is about \$8000 - roughly \$20 per box.

How can you help? Donate! You can give \$20 to cover the cost of one box, or donate however much you can to help us meet this goal and show our compassion this holiday season for our brothers and sisters in need. Please label your donation "Food Boxes" so we know your gift is meant to be used towards our food box goal. Thank you so much for helping make this wish a reality - 400 families right here in Lexington will be blessed through this project with a box full of food to feed their families at Christmas!

project, please contact Steph Wallace.

ADVENT WORKSHOP - DECEMBER 1

Advent Workshop will be on Sunday, December 1, following the second service in Chalice Hall. This is a special time when we celebrate the Advent season with family fun! There will be a family craft, pizza lunch, hot cocoa bar, and a special station for kids to decorate an encouragement cup. In partnership with the Mad Potter, we will be painting a round serving plate (one per family), and direct adult supervision will be required. This is a family event, and all are welcome. If you haven't already, please RSVP online by clicking **here**.

Joys and Concerns

MEMBERS: the family of Joe Clark, Joan Stafford, the family of Kathy Stone

<u>FAMILY</u>: Benita Baughn (family of Michelle DeLacey), Zack Ison (brother of Stewart Ison), Paul Morrison (father of Andrea Back), Judy Walden (mother of Connie Guilfoil), Linda Yates (mother of Stephanie Moore)

FRIENDS: the Cristi family (of Crestwood), Mary Duff (of Dana Adamson), the Furlong family (of Patsy Anderson), Audie Palm (of Kay Thomas), Chyleigh Rose (of Crestwood), Mary Van Kesteren (of Crestwood)

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Tyler Coultas (son of Karen Coultas), Frank Dickey, David Farmer (friend of Kimberly Sparks), Jo Fulkerson, Laurie Hart (granddaughter of Susan & Kendall Hart), Jordan & Ginny Sue Hemphill (brother & sister-in-law of Monte LaFrana), Lisa Jern (cousin of Libby Wachtel), Henrietta Shores (granddaughter of Mary Beth Shores), Nathaniel Sligh (nephew of Kimberly Sparks), Donnie Wakefield, Jim Wallace (father of Scott Wallace)

ARMED FORCES: Alex Back (son of Andrea Back), Anar Aliyev (of Crestwood), Karlis Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Tristan Bowman (nephew of Debbie Gardner), Daniel Day (grandson of John & Carol Royse & son of Tracy Day), Bud DeLacey (nephew of Matt & Michelle DeLacey), Matt Holman (son of Gaye Holman), Zoe McIntyre (granddaughter of John Sims), Ashlyn Marra-Sigler & Daniel Sigler (daughter-in-law & son of Pam & David Sigler)

<u>HEART-TO-HEART MEMBERS</u>: Carlene Adams, Karen Billings, Janice Boyd, Dick Featherston, Sylvia Griffin, Buzz Mattingly, John Sims, John & Carolyn Thomas, Lucy Wheeler

<u>OUR WORLD COMMUNITY</u>: We pray for the victims and loved ones impacted by violence, inmates of the Fayette County Detention Center and their families, an end to wars across the globe, the peace of God to rule in the hearts of our local and national leaders, those affected by natural disasters, and for God's spirit of reconciliation to bring healing during these difficult times.

NOVEMBER SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE: SILVER BELLS

Silver Bells is a program created by the Nursing Home Ombudsman Agency in Lexington. Their mission is to provide gift items for the holiday season to residents in local nursing homes who might not otherwise receive gifts for the season. According to the agency, as many as 60% of the residents in nursing homes do not have regular visitors involved in their lives.

Items requested by the agency include the following:

Blankets

Snacks

Candy

Pens

Stationary

Stamps

Body wash, lotion, shampoo

Socks

GIFTS SHOULD BE UNWRAPPED AND IN GIFT BAGS.

Donations may be brought to the Giving Lane located in the hallway that leads to the Administrative Wing or to any of the November DWM meetings.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS AVAILABLE



The season of Advent starts on Sunday, December 1, and we are pleased to offer an Advent devotional from Chalice Press, our denomination's publishing house. "Daring to Connect: Advent as Adventure" considers the stories we know as part of our faith: stories of risk, stories of birth, stories of trying again, and stories of trust in God. The devotionals will be available

on Sunday morning at both entrances.

FROM ANGEL TREES TO MITTEN TREES!

Now that all our angels have been adopted, we are ready to transform our trees into winter blessings! Please bring new or gently used winter care items (hats/gloves/scarves) and place them under the trees outside the chapel and choir room. All sizes are welcome, and items will be donated



to local nonprofits. Thank you for warming the hearts of our neighbors this holiday season.