

ADVENT & CHRISTMASTIDE

at First Presbyterian Church

Advent Celebration

Sunday, December 2, 10:00 a.m., Assembly Room

Come celebrate the season of Love, Peace, Joy, and Hope. FPC's Children's Ministry Team invites all children and families to join us for our annual Advent Celebration!

Christmas with the Kentucky Bach Choir

Sunday, December 2, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Join us for this beloved annual tradition! The Kentucky Bach Choir, orchestra, and soloists complete their multi-year project of performing cantatas from Bach's Christmas Oratorio by performing the final two cantatas of the six-cantata work. Tickets - <http://kentuckybachchoir.org>

Youth Christmas Parties

Sunday, December 9

Middle school party will be at the home of Van Meter Pettit and Linda Blackford from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., and the high school party will be at the home of Clint and Tracy McKinley from 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

LOGOS Pageant and Dinner

Wednesday, December 12 ~ Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Assembly Room ~ Pageant, 6:30 p.m., Chapel

Children grades K-5 will lead the congregation in singing beloved Christmas carols as they retell the story of the birth of Jesus through the eyes of a grumpy Innkeeper.

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols ~ Soup and Salad Lunch ~ Caroling

Sunday, December 16, 11:00 a.m., Single Service, Sanctuary

We gather in a single service on the Third Sunday of Advent to hear the prophecy and fulfillment of God's salvation for the world told in scripture and song. The service will be led musically by children, youth, adults and guest instrumentalists. At 12:00 p.m., we will enjoy a soup and salad lunch before departing at 12:45 for caroling in the community.

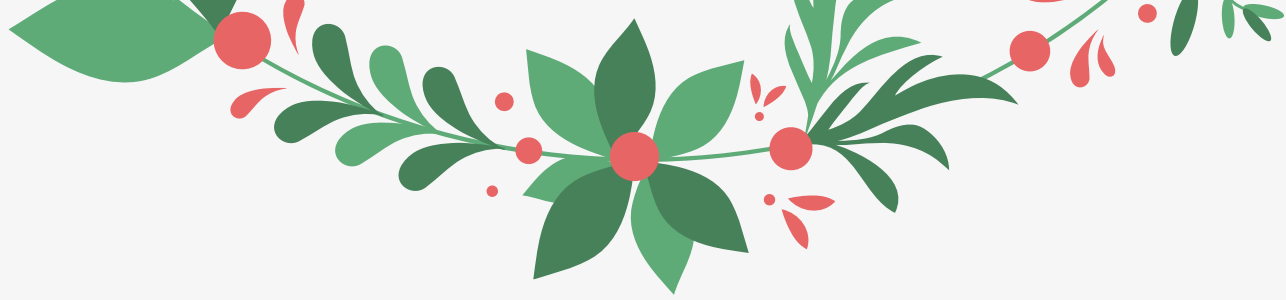
[RSVP for lunch and/or caroling online or to the church office \(859.252.1919\) by December 10.](#)

Christmas Joy Offering

Sunday, December 23, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. services

Thanks to your generous support, church workers can receive assistance in their time of need, and students are afforded opportunities to learn and grow. Giving to the Christmas Joy Offering is one way we can celebrate God's greatest gift to us, Jesus Christ, as well as the gift of our church leaders - past, present, and future. Please place your Christmas Joy Offering in the envelope provided.





Christmas Just Lunch

Saturday, December 29, 10:00 a.m., Assembly Room

In the cold weather, our guests especially appreciate a hot meal. Come help with cooking, set up, or serving. Contact Mike Skidmore at mike5skid8@gmail.com for more information or to volunteer.

A Reading of "A Christmas Carol"

Sunday, December 30, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary ~ Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Assembly Room

Join us for a reading of "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, adapted for Reader's Theater by FPC member Steve Taylor, followed by a light dinner provided by Greenhouse 17.

RSVP for dinner online or to the church office (859.252.1919) by December 26.

Be an Angel! Angel Tree

This year we are collecting gifts for Greenhouse 17 and our partner school in Haiti, Centre Educatif Union des Coeurs. Contact Jenny Beck for more information: jennylynnward@gmail.com

How does it work?

- Greenhouse 17: Select an angel (or angels) from the tree, buy the gift listed on the angel, and place the gift (with the angel attached) under the tree. If you choose to wrap the gift, please use gift bags (not gift wrap) so the Greenhouse 17 mothers may select the gift best suited for their child(ren). **Gifts must be returned by December 9.**
- Centre Educatif Union des Couers: These angels are for monetary donations to the school. Please make the check out to FPC and write "Haiti Angel Tree" in the memo line. Return the angel to the FPC office, with the donation in an envelope and the angel attached to the front. **Gifts must be returned by December 23.**

Service Times for Christmas and New Year's Eve

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service

Monday, December 24, 3:00 and 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Join us as we celebrate the birth of Christ. We hope you will come with your friends and family as we worship together. Festive brass and organ music begins fifteen minutes prior to worship.

Childcare will be available. Handicapped parking is available in the parking lot adjacent to the garden and in the Mill Street parking lot.

Single Service

Sunday, December 30, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Worship will be at 11:00 a.m. *only*. Fellowship time will begin at 10:00 a.m.. There will be no church school for adults or children.

The FPC office will be closed December 25, December 31, and January 1.

