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Dear Friends,

Perhaps my favorite Christian writer, C. S. Lewis, writes this: “The central miracle asserted by Christians is the Incarnation. They say God became Man.” Or, as we would say some 50 years or more after Lewis wrote, “God became a human.” It is from that miracle that everything else in our faith comes.

Since it is so central, one might expect it to have happened in some spectacular way, some way the whole world would have noticed and been overawed by. In fact, both Matthew and Luke provide their own versions of a humble, out of the way event and spice it up with angels (Luke) and wise men (Matthew), but still, the world takes little or no notice. When you think about it, that’s really remarkable.

But in another way, it makes perfect sense. God comes to us everyday in quiet, unremarkable ways. Sure, there are reports of spectacular meetings with God, but they are not the stuff of our ordinary lives. They can give us indelible memories to draw on, but they don’t feed us daily as God’s quiet presence does. Most often, and especially at Christmas, God tiptoes, as this poem by David Giuliano suggests:

Must You Tiptoe, God?

Must you tiptoe, God?
Pass like a whisper
Through the chaos
Of this crowded day?
Yes?

Then make me
Still enough to hear-
The chickadee’s feet
Against the birch,
The leaf turning
Its back against
The coming storm,
Or

The sound of a tear sliding
Down a craggy slope
Or

The rustling wings
Of an angel, announcing
Some new birth
Some new baby’s
Breath.

Must you whisper, God?
Yes?
Then make me,
Still.

*Grace and Peace,
Pastor John*

Steeple Lighting

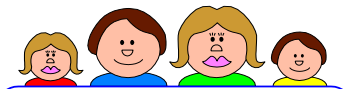
Lighting the steeple is a wonderful way to honor the memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. We light our Steeple:

- On December 6th for Sue Mirisola in honor of her girls, Emily and Sophia. Sue loves them and is proud to be their Mom.
- On December 13th for Pat O'Connell in loving memory of her mother, Louise Andersen O'Connell.
- On December 20th with joyous wishes for a wonderful holiday from Kelly and Fred Tustin and from Janine, Jim, and Brendan Viarella.
- On December 27th for Daphne Freeman in memory of loved ones.



Take Note

- ✓ Worship services are on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School is held at this time and nursery care is provided as well.
- ✓ Office Hours are Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- ✓ The Office will be closed for Christmas on December 25th.
- ✓ The next *Crusader* deadline is Monday, December 21st with a mailing/emailing date of December 30th.
- ✓ The bulletin is printed first thing on Friday morning, so all announcements should be received in the office by Thursday morning.



Directory Updates

The 2009-2010 Directory (without pictures) is now available. If you haven't picked up a copy yet, please contact Linn in the church office.

Seeking Memories

Judy Buswick is working on a book about Sally Palmer Field, Chelmsford's quintessential quilter. Does anyone recall exactly what Sally's input was into our Church Quilt in 1976? Stop and look at the quilt by the elevator on the second floor to refresh your memory. Please send notes to Judy at jt.buswick@verizon.net or speak to her in person.

Transportation Help Needed

The Diaconate is requesting help in not only providing transportation to those who would like to attend church, but also those who need assistance in getting to appointments (doctor's, etc.) or church activities during the week, but do not have a way to get there. Currently, Deacons provide this service on Sunday, but in some cases, due to timing or location, it is not always possible. We would like to keep transportation lists on hand. One list would be for assisting the Deacons in providing help with transportation on Sunday, the other list would be for help providing transportation to those in need of rides during the week.

If this is a service that you feel you can provide for our church family, please email Linda Lis, bl4ngrowing@hotmail.com or call her at (CCC Directory), to be put on the appropriate list.

Your Diaconate thanks you.

Benefit Concert

A benefit concert for our new organ console will be held on Sunday, January 17th in our sanctuary. Admission is free and a free-will offering will be collected for the organ fund. Artists will include Boston area professionals who will be contributing their talents for the enhancement of CCC's music program. *Mark your calendars!!!*

Joyful Music



The Chancel Choir will rehearse on Thursday, December 3rd, 10th, and 17th, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. The rehearsal time for Sundays is 9:30 a.m. We will not rehearse on December 27th.

Christmas rehearsals have begun! Please consider joining the Chancel Choir for this joyous season of song. Just 3 more Thursday evening rehearsals in preparation for music at the Christmas Eve services. Hope to see you there!

Christmas Eve: The Chancel Choir will sing at both the 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. services. As always, anyone interested in singing with the choirs is invited to do so – flexible scheduling can always be worked out.

Junior Choir rehearses on Sundays from 11.15 a.m. to noon. There is no rehearsal on Sunday, December 20th or 27th.

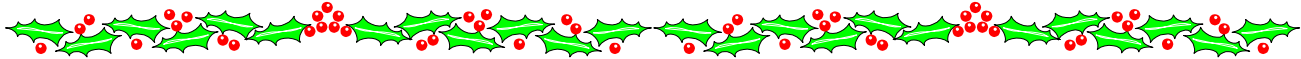
*Peace in this and all seasons,
Kathy T., Music Director*



The Bell Choir will practice on Sundays December 6, 13, and 20 from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. in room 302. There will be no rehearsal on December 27th. *Lynn Horton*

Christmas Services

- ★ Sunday, December 20th at 10 a.m. – Lessons and Carols presented by the Chancel Choir, the children, and youth.
- ★ Thursday, December 24th at 7:00 p.m. – Join us for Christmas Eve worship.
- ★ Thursday, December 24th at 10:00 p.m. – Join us for Christmas Eve worship at our earlier NEW TIME!



Christmas Tree Sales

Christmas Tree Sale begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 28th and continues until all the trees are sold. We have trees in all sizes, 3'-4', 5'-6', 6'-8', and 8'-10'. We have decorated wreaths along with plain 14" wreaths. We have the best prices in town. We look forward to seeing all of you during the sales period. Please tell your friends, so we can make this our best year yet. You can call Dick Papenfuss at (CCC Directory) if you have any questions.



P.S. If you have time to help us with the sales, we would appreciate that too!

Time to Order Your Poinsettias

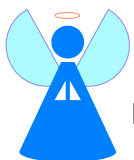
It's time to order your poinsettias to decorate our Sanctuary for Christmas. You can place an order during coffee hour on December 6th and 13th. Each plant costs \$10.00. Please join us in this holiday tradition! If you have any questions, please contact Dick Papenfuss.



P.S. Your plant may be taken home after the 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service.

Lessons and Carols

The congregation is invited to celebrate the birth of Christ at the Lessons and Carols service on December 20th. The Chancel Choir will offer their voices in song, the congregation will sing Christmas carols, and the Sunday School classes will dramatize the Christmas story as related in lessons from scripture, with the High School students sharing a little Christmas magic of their own.



Lessons and Carols rehearsal for children in preschool through eighth grade will be on Sunday, December 13th from 11:15 a.m. until noon. On Sunday, December 20th, children and youth should arrive at church at 9:00 a.m. to prepare for the service.

Come with an open heart and let it be filled with love, joy, and wonder!

Advent Workshop and Potluck Luncheon

Our Advent Workshop on December 6th is a great way to start the season. Families and friends, of all ages join together for a spirit-filled afternoon of crafts, food, activities, fellowship, and live entertainment. Admission is \$7 per family. We ask that each family bring a main dish to share. It will be held from noon to 2:00 p.m. Our luncheon will be served at about 12:30 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and come share the Christmas spirit. Contact Lisa Zachert for more information or to sign-up.



Advent Mission

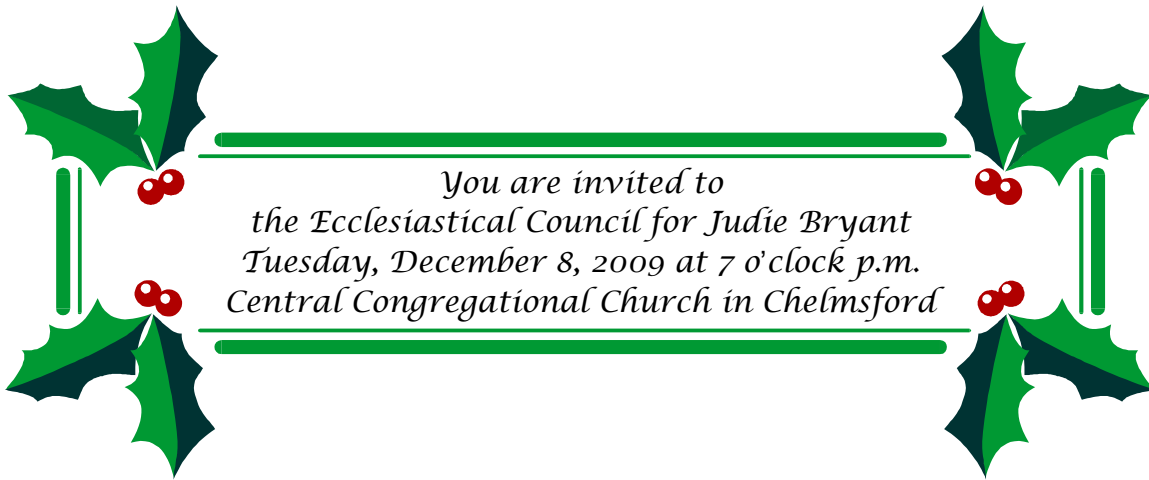
We are all called during this season to a special mission: build a Christmas food-can tree. In the narthex, throughout the month of December, we will be collecting donations of cans of food. The cans will be assembled into a can-tree. Construction will begin at the Advent Workshop and continue until Christmas when it will be delivered to the Open Pantry of Lowell. Please, everyone bring in your cans – this will be a life-giving tree for our neighbors.

KiSeLo

Word about town is that Mrs. Claus and her elves will be showing up at our December 16th meeting to pass out some gifts to secret pals. We'll be meeting at 1:00 p.m. for a special Christmas dessert and short meeting and then on to the fun of revealing 2009 Secret Pals. Whether you have been attending KiSeLo this past year and have a secret pal or not, all ladies of the church are invited to come celebrate the season with us and perhaps draw a name for a 2010 Secret Pal.



Please don't forget to remember those less fortunate during this season of giving by bringing a donation to Open Pantry. Our suggested item this month is coffee, tea, and cocoa, but any donation is always welcome.



CCC Holiday Fair 2009 Sets New Records!

Thanks to the hard work of so many of our church family members, the 2009 Holiday Fair was a fabulous success! I hope you all had as much fun as I did! It was a true joy to see everyone working together to make the annual fair an event of which we can be justly proud. One customer said that our fair is the best in town and another complimented our cheerful volunteers. We were fortunate to have glorious weather and a steady stream of shoppers all day. The Luncheon Cafe (\$1033), Jewelry Table (\$1500) and Bake Sale Table (\$1398) all set new records in sales! Including the additional sales after church on Sunday, the 2009 Fair brought in a total of \$6542 - which tops last year's tally. That's a fantastic accomplishment - Congratulations!

Each one of the table chairmen is due a tremendous **Thank You** for their commitment to the success of this event. With deepest gratitude, thank you to: Connie Smith & Karen Papenfuss - Crafts & Handwork; Nancy Clark & Dee Freeman - Jewelry; Helen Glinos & Betty Borden - Plants; Rosemary Rich & Judy Musgrove - Treasure Island; Ginnie Hall - Bake Sale & Cookie Walk; Jean Neal & Minnie Collins - Luncheon Café; Ellen Kunkel - Equal Exchange Coffee; Kelly Tustin & Lisa Zachert - Silent Auction; Johanna Wray - Christmas Boutique; and Marcia Cassidy & the High School Youth Group - Books, Videos, DVDs, CDs, Puzzles and Games.

Thanks to all of you who so generously gave your time, hard work, donations, and especially your continuing support to make this annual Fair a success. If I have failed to list your name, please accept my apologies and my heartfelt appreciation.

Thank you to: Barbara Allen, Lisa Baker, Arlene Belleville, Jennifer Bellissimo, Christian Booth, Sue Booth, Betty Borden, Don Brigham, Jan Brigham, Carol Brown, Cindy Bruetsch, Cynthia Bryant, Jessie Buchanan, Warren Buchanan, John Carson, Linda Carson, Brennan Cassidy, DJ Cassidy, Marcia Cassidy, Linda Catalano, Cathryn Center, Jim Clark, Nancy Clark, Carol Cleven, Minnie Collins, Roger Collins, Bud Crissey, Marcia Crissey, Steve Crissey, Cub Scout Pack 45, Brita Dean, Jennifer Delikat, Lisa Desharnais, David Dillon, Nancy DiSalvo, Steven DiSalvo, Margie Dissinger, Molly Duggan, Will Duggan, Carol Engel, Linn Flint, Dee Freeman, Ramona Gallaher, Helen Glinos, Jim Glinos, Steve Glinos, Bob Green, Ginnie Hall, Elizabeth Hartigan, Judy Holaday, Jake Higson, Bradford Horton, Jean Holmes, Beth Jarok, Judy Jump, Bruce Kunkel, Ellen Kunkel, Evan Lefebvre, Kim Lefebvre, Barbara Lea, Linda Lis, Catherine Loew, Deb Lyons, Elmer Lyons, Jean McGillick, Bonnie McGrath, Jody McLeod, Christine McNamara, Sue Mirisola, Bob Moore, Doris Moore, Sue Moriarty, Mary Mullen, Judy Musgrove, Jean Neal, Molly Obendorf, Pat O'Connell, Dick Papenfuss, Karen Papenfuss, Holly Prees, Jim Rich, Rosemary Rich, Lynda Rideout, Suzi Rogers, Alek Rudewicz, Michael Rudewicz, Lisa Rudewicz, Connie Smith, John Smith, Candi Socha, Jonathan Socha, John Thompson, Dory Toppan, Fred Tustin, Kelly Tustin, Irene Usher, Maxine Vaites, Janine Viarella, Anne Vincent, Clint Vincent, Rachel Vondal, Betsy White, Michele White, Peter White, Griffin Woolley, Johanna Wray, Michael Wray, Lisa Zachert, Shirley Zachry, and Pastor John Zachry.

It was a pleasure to work with you all!

Lynn Horton, Fair Chair



From Your Social Action and Missions Committee

The Christmas Fund – Veterans of the Cross

Grace to you and peace in this holy and joyous season, as we prepare the way for the celebration of Jesus' birth! For 107 years, the Christmas Fund Offering for the Veterans of the Cross and the Emergency Fund has been a way in which we, as members of the United Church of Christ have embodied Christ's compassion and care to those who serve our church.

The severe economic downturn experienced since the start of the current recession at the end of 2007 has created even greater financial stress on those with the most limited resources and resulted in an unprecedented number of requests for Ministerial Assistance compared with prior years. Because of that, we ask you to prayerfully consider your response to the 2009 Offering and give to the best of your ability.

Think of the ways in which your life was touched by a retired pastor, a former Sunday School teacher, a church secretary, a custodian, a minister of music – and honor their ministries in a way that will help them in these critical times. Watch for the colorful Christmas Fund envelopes in December.

As always, thank you for your generosity and have a Blessed Holiday Season.

Sandra Gibson on behalf of SAM.

Secret Santa



Just a reminder! SAM's Elves for Secret Santa are offering the opportunity for sign-ups for Christmas gift-giving for needy Chelmsford children. SAM will continue to accept signups in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 29th and if there is still a need, on Sunday, December 6th. We will collect wrapped gifts on December 6th and 13th. If you are not going to be in church on either of these dates, please contact a SAM member to make alternative collection arrangements or call Carol Clevon, (CCC Directory). The gifts will be delivered to "Santa" on December 16th for distribution. SAM thanks all of you who give so generously to make a very special Christmas for these needy children.

Sunday School Matters

This morning I'm thinking about all that our Sunday School program can't do. As we add something that we think will benefit our kids, something else that is important is subtracted. The Workshop Rotation with the theme "Loving Our Neighbors as Ourselves" was a wonderful experience and hopefully was able to really emphasize this central teaching of Christianity. But, the downside is that we skipped the Old Testament stories that we always teach in the fall. After Christmas, I would like to do a 3 or 4 week curriculum on prayer but that will mean not teaching some of the Bible stories that we typically teach in January. I believe that this prayer curriculum will be very special and important since we need to teach our kids (and ourselves) that not only do we need to know *about* God, we need to *know* God. The answer to this conundrum of what to include and what to unfortunately leave out of our Sunday School curriculum is, of course, for you to make sure that you are doing faith formation at home. Please, please read the stories of our faith to your children. Since we have deemphasized the Old Testament stories this year, please read these together as a family. These Old Testament stories are what Jesus was raised on and our children need them, too. I would truly appreciate your feedback on this issue. Please feel welcome and invited to call/email/meet me to talk about this.



On November 15th, our newest preschoolers received their Beginner Bible storybooks. Congratulations to Alyssa, Sarah, Caroline, Trey, Gwen (and big brother Connor), Kylie, and Megan! And our third graders received The Adventure Bible during the service on November 8th. Congratulations to Gloria, Amber, Olivia, Nathan, and Emily.

Confirmation class begins again on January 10th for all youth in grades nine and up who have yet to be confirmed. All classes will be held after church this year. Please contact Pastor John or me for details. The rite of Confirmation will take place during the worship service on May 23rd.

Finally, blessings on you and your family as we enter the season of Advent. It's so hard to block out all the secular consumer noise at this time of year. It's a perfect time to make a renewed commitment to regular participation in worship and Sunday School for help in lifting up what is truly meaningful this time of year.

Peace, Judie Bryant

Refugee Immigration Ministry

I have recently become involved with the Chelmsford-Lowell cluster of the Refugee Immigration Ministry (RIM). The cluster is sponsoring an Iraqi family who is seeking refugee status in the United States. I believe that they are still in Jordan, but when they arrive here, RIM will be providing them with furnishings for their apartment as well as transportation to the necessary places that will help them integrate into the U.S. such as the social security office, the office for Refugee Cash Assistance office, and helping them to register their children for school, for ESL classes and connecting them with Employment Specialists. One of the most important things that RIM will provide is friendship.

I have volunteered to gather light bulbs, towels, 4 alarm clocks and a wall clock for their apartment. The family is comprised of a father and mother and three children, Dana, 17, Ibraheam, 13 and Yusef, 12. If you would like to help provide one or more of these necessities for the new family – *new* bath towels, face clothes, hand towels, and dish towels for a family of five, lightbulbs of various wattage, and four alarm clocks for their bedrooms – please contact me.



RIM is an Interfaith, community-based organization that was founded in 1986. At the heart of RIM's 3 major programs is a corps of dedicated volunteers who bring clients into relationships with their communities. These programs include:

- Community-based resettlement of asylum seekers and refugees
- Job preparation through English and computer classes
- Spiritual Care Givers who provide chaplaincy services to immigrant detainees.

All programs rest upon a strong Case Management plan and offer “new life and hope to uprooted people.” As one client summed it up, “You took me from nowhere to somewhere.”

Over the past 5 years, thousands of Iraqi professionals have assisted U.S. troops. Their support has exposed them to danger and significant violence in their country. RIM has begun to resettle Iraqis who provided this assistance.

We need your help to offer them the community-based support which has been so helpful to Iraqis RIM has already resettled:

RIM changed my life from the first day they took great care of me when I was seeking asylum and wasn't authorized yet to work in U.S. I was touched by the great dedication and care the wonderful volunteers from different congregations made to RIM clients. Through them, I learned a lot, especially about sacrifice so other people's lives can be changed and made happier, or at least, make the transition to their new lives as refugees in the U.S. as easy as possible. RIM's support meant a lot to me and I would not have been able to achieve the success I have had in my new life in the U.S if it weren't for their care and support. I will always be thankful for them and I feel even happier whenever I change other people's lives and make them smile. The relationship that connects me with RIM will be for a life time because they are like my family.

RIM's work is based upon the understanding that uprooted people are more quickly restored to their life goals when welcomed by a caring community. RIM's website is: <http://www.r-i-m.net/>. If you would like to join me and volunteer with the Chelmsford – Lowell cluster of RIM, please let me know and I can tell you when the next meeting will take place OR contact them yourself through the website.

Judie Bryant



Save the Date!

The annual Christmas caroling to the shut-ins will be Sunday, December 20th from 6-8 p.m. We are looking for carolers. You don't need to be a singer, a musician, or able to carry a tune! All are welcome!! Please contact Lindsay Acheson at lindsayacheson@yahoo.com to sign up!

Ministries in Our Church

Stephen Ministry

As we approach the Christmas holiday season let us keep the words of the following prayer foremost in our hearts:

Gracious God, thank you for the diversity of human beings that surround us on every side. In the ideas, in the hope, in the dreams, and in the struggles of those who share this earthly life, let us find that through community of human beings we are made fuller and more alive. Let the fullness given by community give us the courage to offer our own unique selves with humility to the lives of others. As we all share in the life that you have so graciously given us, may we be the lights of your love to one another. Amen. (from Seeing Others as Community at explorefaith.org)



Stephen Ministry is here to offer a loving hand, a listening ear, and a caring presence to those experiencing difficult times. If we can be of help please contact Pastor John, 978 256-5931, Linda Carson, 978 256-8097, Ginnie Hall, 978 256-9159, or Karen

Papenfuss, (CCC Directory).

ChristCare

ChristCare Small Group Ministry is coming soon to CCC. Your Small Group Leaders are completing their training and early in 2010 we will be forming ChristCare Small Groups. Keep an eye out for further information!

Prayer Shawl

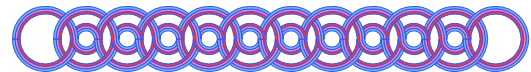
Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the second Tuesday of each month at Carson's home from 7-9 p.m. Please join us on Tuesday, December 8th for an evening of fellowship as we create shawls that will bring joy to those in need of love and care.



Prayer Chain

"...but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31

Lack of sleep can make us weary, but we can also become weary from worry, anxiety, feeling alone. At this time of year many of us feel pressure to hold it all together, be happy, enjoy the season, but this can be difficult if you're not feeling up to it. If you're feeling the pressures of the season, it helps to stop and take time to pray, but I've talked with some who have said they are unable to pray, feeling it wouldn't make a difference. If you are feeling this time of year is difficult for you, allow your friends on the Prayer Chain to pray for you or a loved one. Many have found peace and answers by allowing others to pray for them. If you have a prayer request, please call Ginnie Hall at (CCC Directory) or Dee Freeman at (CCC Directory). They will contact other members of the prayer chain who will pray for you. If you are too weary to pray, know others are there for you.



The Holy Cows

The Middle School Youth Group has decided on a name. We will remain "The Holy Cows." We generously donated a basket of children's items to the Silent Auction at the Fair. We have had fun in the past month playing games and watching a movie about Indian siblings who had to share one pair of shoes in order to go to school. We have also been prayerful in the sanctuary for our worship times. We look forward to a destination unknown to celebrate the Christmas season.



Our group meets on one Friday evening and one Sunday afternoon a month. Along with worship, fun, and food, we also do service. Our next service project is Monday, November 30th when we will serve the meal at St. Paul's Kitchen in Lowell. Our group needs several shepherd's pies for the supper. If you can make a family size shepherd's pie, we have the recipe. Please contact any of the leaders if you would like to make a shepherd's pie for our service night at St. Paul's Kitchen.

*Blessings, Lisa Zachert,
Gayle Barooshian, and Judie Bryant*

December Lectionary

A lectionary is a collection of readings from the Scriptures, arranged and intended for proclamation during worship. The practice of assigning particular readings to each Sunday and festival day began in the fourth century, and has continued through the history of the Christian Church. In 2005, the Consultation on Common Texts published the *Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings* which provides weekday readings that relate to the Sunday Scripture lessons. Thursday through Saturday readings help prepare the reader for the Sunday readings and Monday through Wednesday readings help the reader reflect on what they heard at church.

For many years, the MACUCC has provided a daily lectionary based on a 1986 book, *A Daily Lectionary* by W. Douglas Mills. This was very labor intensive, requiring a staff member to type in all the readings. Therefore, the MACUCC has changed to a daily lectionary from the *Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings*. Central Congregational Church will now be using this list of readings. You will notice that some readings are often repeated. That is to help you prepare for the Sunday reading and to reflect on the Sunday reading.

Tues.	Dec. 1	Psalm 90	2 Samuel 7:18-29	Revelation 22:12-16	
Wed.	Dec. 2	Psalm 90	Isaiah 1:24-31	Luke 11:29-32	
Thurs.	Dec. 3	Luke 1:68-79	Malachi 3:5-12	Philippians 1:12-18a	
Fri.	Dec. 4	Luke 1:68-79	Malachi 3:13-18	Philippians 1:18b-26	
Sat.	Dec. 5	Luke 1:68-79	Malachi 4:1-6	Luke 9:1-6	
Sun.	Dec. 6	Luke 1:68-79	Malachi 3:1-4	Philippians 1:3-11	Luke 3:1-6
Mon.	Dec. 7	Psalm 126	Isaiah 40:1-11	Romans 8:22-25	
Tues.	Dec. 8	Psalm 126	Isaiah 19:18-25	2 Peter 1:2-15	
Wed.	Dec. 9	Psalm 126	Isaiah 35:3-7	Luke 7:18-30	
Thurs.	Dec. 10	Isaiah 12:2-6	Amos 6:1-8	2 Corinthians 8:1-15	
Fri.	Dec. 11	Isaiah 12:2-6	Amos 8:4-12	2 Corinthians 9:1-15	
Sat.	Dec. 12	Isaiah 12:2-6	Amos 9:8-15	Luke 1:57-66	
Sun.	Dec. 13	Isaiah 12:2-6	Zephaniah 3:14-20	Philippians 4:4-7	Luke 3:7-18
Mon.	Dec. 14	Isaiah 11:1-9	Numbers 16:1-19	Hebrews 13:7-17	
Tues.	Dec. 15	Isaiah 11:1-9	Numbers 16:20-35	Acts 28:23-31	
Wed.	Dec. 16	Isaiah 11:1-9	Micah 4:8-13	Luke 7:31-35	
Thurs.	Dec. 17	Psalm 80:1-7	Jeremiah 31:31-34	Hebrews 10:10-18	
Fri.	Dec. 18	Psalm 80:1-7	Isaiah 42:10-18	Hebrews 10:32-39	
Sat.	Dec. 19	Psalm 80:1-7	Isaiah 66:7-11	Luke 13:31-35	
Sun.	Dec. 20	Psalm 80:1-7	Micah 5:2-5a	Luke 1:46b-55	
		Hebrews 10:5-10	Luke 1:39-55		
Mon.	Dec. 21	Psalm 113	Genesis 25:19-28	Colossians 1:15-20	
Tues.	Dec. 22	Luke 1:46b-55	Micah 4:1-5	Ephesians 2:11-22	
Wed.	Dec. 23	Luke 1:46b-55	Micah 4:6-8	2 Peter 1:16-21	
Thurs.	Dec. 24	Luke 1:46b-55	Micah 6:6-8	Hebrews 10:5-10	Isaiah 9:2-7
		Psalm 96	Titus 2:11-14	Luke 2:1-20	
Fri.	Dec. 25	Isaiah 62:6-12	Psalm 97	Titus 3:4-7	Luke 2:1-20
		Isaiah 52:7-10	Psalm 98	Hebrews 1:1-12	John 1:1-14
Sat.	Dec. 26	Psalm 148	2 Chronicles 24:17-24	Acts 6:1-7; 7:51-60	
Sun.	Dec. 27	Psalm 148	1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26	Colossians 3:12-17	Luke 2:41-52
Mon.	Dec. 28	Psalm 148	Isaiah 54:1-13	Revelation 21:1-7	
Tues.	Dec. 29	Psalm 147:12-20	1 Chronicles 28:1-10	1 Corinthians 3:10-17	
Wed.	Dec. 30	Psalm 147:12-20	2 Chronicles 1:7-13	Mark 13:32-37	
Thurs.	Dec. 31	Psalm 147:12-20	1 Kings 3:5-14	John 8:12-19	