

DECEMBER



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DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Merry Christmas!

December 5—Children's Workers Luncheon
December 9—St. Luke Food Pantry—8:00 am-12:00 pm
December 15—AWANA Christmas Party
Youth Christmas Party
December 22—Carols of Christmas
December 23-24—Church office closed
December 27-31—Church office closed
December 29—No Wednesday services

Weekly Opportunities

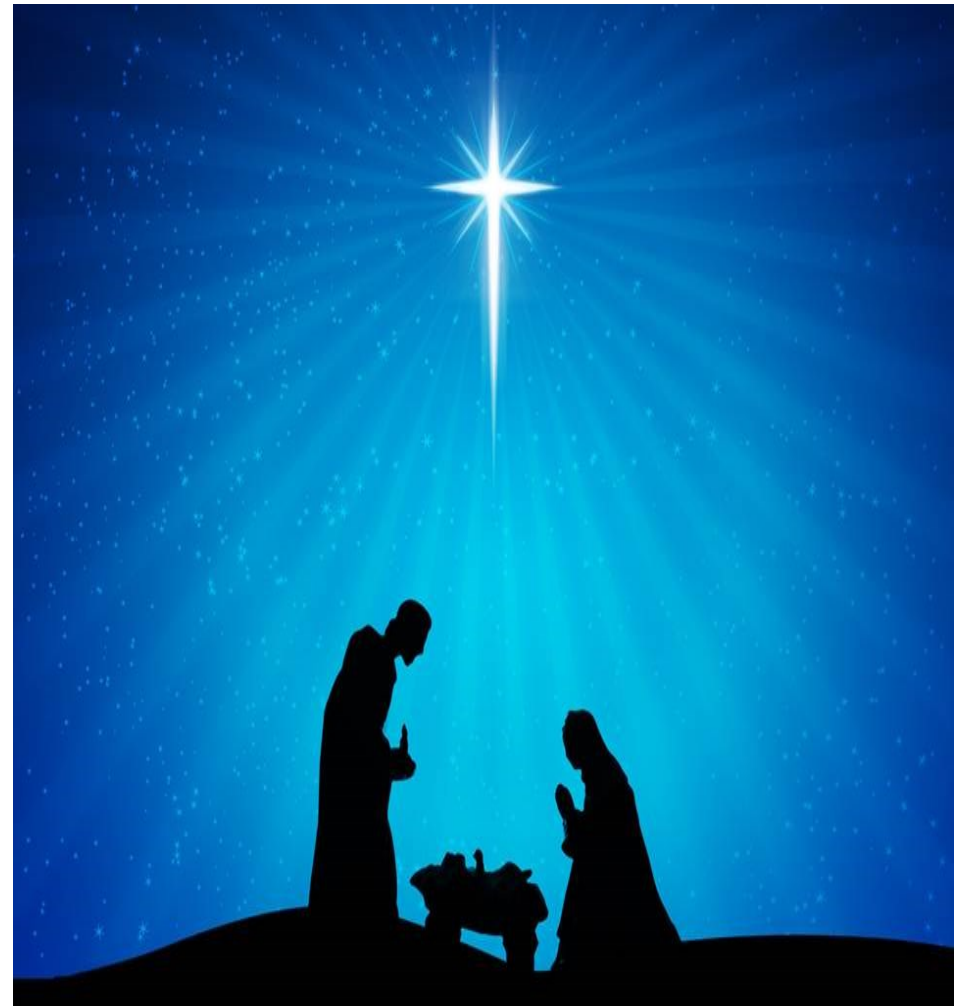
Sunday: Sunday School—9:00 a.m.
Worship—10:00 a.m.
Youth Choir—4:00 p.m.
Youth & Children's Bible Drill—5:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study—10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
AWANA—6:00 p.m.
Youth Bible Study—6:00 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal—7:15 p.m.

For the Record: Oct. Budget Need: \$71,094 Budget Receipts: \$57,462.28
Margaret Lackey Donations \$4,408.00

Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30 am—2:00 p.m.
CLOSED FRIDAY!

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear BBC Faith Family,

The world as we know it has changed – dramatically! Nothing is what it once was; a virus has impacted the entire globe; governments are issuing mandates ordering people to wear masks and be vaccinated; political issues have become exceedingly volatile; businesses are struggling to find employees; families are short on food and money to pay bills; racial disharmony has increased exponentially. As a result, millions are living with a profound sense of anxiety and hopelessness with fear wrapping its fingers around many minds and lives. "When will things return to normal?" is the question on everyone's mind and in conversations. Everyone asks questions but no one knows for sure what to expect.

In Bible times, the people of Israel struggled with similar questions and circumstances. Continuously, they were overtaken by foreign nations, experienced living under the rulership of foreign kings, struggled to make ends meet, lived looking for a better day. Amid their national circumstance and insecurity, they were expecting the fulfillment of One who the prophets had mentioned time and again. Isaiah, in particular, said, *"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; and His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this,"* (Isaiah 9:6-7). There was a hopeful expectation; a preparation that they, as a people, needed to do; a knowledge that God loved them enough to make such a promise; a joy that the promise would be fulfilled; an adoration to God for His sovereignty.

As we enter the Christmas season of 2021, amid the turmoil our world is experiencing, let us look to the One who truly is Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, and Prince of Peace. He came once as a baby, lived a sinless life, offered His own life on our behalf so that we could have a relationship with God, and promised that He will return for His people. This Christmas, may the peace that surpasses all understanding fill our hearts and minds and, like the shepherds that night, may our hearts be filled with joy, *"looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds,"* (Titus 2:13-14).

Wishing You Christmas Blessings,

Pastor Shane

Dear Belden,

Things are starting to chug along, and I am so excited to see where and how God leads us! Worship Choir and Youth Choir are both growing! We are currently moving toward Christmas events, and it is NOT too late to jump in and get involved! We would love to have you!

CAROLS OF CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 22

6P (sanctuary)

Cookie/Hot Chocolate Social to follow in gym.

I also would like to congratulate 8 of our youth choir for making All-State Youth Honor Choir! They are Hope Nanney, Emma and Susana Worsham, Brick Thomas, Cameron Wages, Aaron, Marcus, and Marlee Phillips. They will be traveling on tour during the summer of 2022! Please let me know, if you would like to help fund their venture!

In His service,
Pastor David



Seasons greetings from the student ministry at Belden Baptist Church. We have had an amazing year in 2021. From youth hangouts to summer camps this has been an exciting year. We will be wrapping our year up with the students Christmas party on December 15 at 6:00. We're looking forward to a fun evening.

The students have been going through a series on King David and will be wrapping it up the first couple of weeks in December. In January, we will kick off a study on the church. I'm excited to dive into the beginnings of the church in Acts.

This winter we will be doing things a bit different. Instead of doing the normal retreat that we have done in the past, we are going to be partnering with a few churches in our area and participating in Disciple Now weekend at Auburn Baptist Church February 18-20. Be looking for further details in January.

