

# December 2021

*Merry Christmas from the staff at Turner Retirement Homes!*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>"Thank God for his gift that words cannot describe." 2 Corinthians 9:15</i></p>			<p><b>1</b> 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose  12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Crafts, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>3</b> REIMBURSEMENT DAY 9:30 am Shopping, WINCO  3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>
<p><b>5</b> 10:30 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p><b>6</b> 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose  9:15 am Field Trip Storybook Drive</p>	<p><b>7</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose  12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>9</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Crafts, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9:30 am Shopping, BiMart/Roths  3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>12</b> 10:30 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p><b>13</b> 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>14</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>15</b> 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose 12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose  6:00 pm field trip Christmas lights</p>	<p><b>16</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Crafts, Sickafoose  6:00 pm field trip Christmas lights</p>	<p><b>17</b> 9:30 am Shopping, WalMart  3:00 PM GAMES, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b> 10:30 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p><b>20</b> 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>21</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room 3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose  3:00 pm Blue Night worship in DR</p>	<p><b>22</b> 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose  12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>23</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Crafts, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>24</b> OFFICE CLOSED No Shopping  Christmas Eve service at TCC at 3:00 pm bus will pick up at 2:30</p>	<p><b>25</b> </p>
<p><b>26</b> 10:30 am worship at TCC, meet at 10 am for bus</p>	<p><b>27</b> 10:00 am tabletop games in Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>28</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Stretch and Breathe, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>29</b> 10:00 am Bible Study, Sickafoose  12:45 pm-3:00 pm Pinochle 3:00 pm BINGO, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>30</b> 10:00 am Chapel, Dining Room  3:00 pm Crafts, Sickafoose</p>	<p><b>31</b> OFFICE CLOSED 9:30 am shopping, WINCO  New Year's Eve party for RCF residents TBA.</p>	

It's a DRIVE-THRU this year!! We will go Monday, December 6th. The bus leaves at 9:15 a.m. and will return before lunch. Sign up in Dining Room.



### FIELD TRIP!

To see Christmas Lights December 15th and 16th, at 6:00 pm. Sign up in Dining Room

### Blue Christmas Service

Hosted by Turner Christian Church  
3pm-4pm, December 21st, in the Dining Hall

*The Christmas season can be difficult for those with hearts that are hurting because of loss, isolation, unexpected life changes, and many other reasons. The message of Christmas, however, is not just for those who feel jolly and merry. Christmas is meant to be a source of hope for those who mourn. "Blue Christmas" is a prayer service designed to bring comfort, hope and peace to those who need it most. If you are in need of comfort this Christmas season, we encourage you to join us for this service.*

There is a **barrel** in the dining room entryway for the **Turner Fire District Toy & Food Drive**. Accepted donations: non-perishable food items, toys for children of all ages in original packaging. Turner Fire District also accepts cash donations, paid directly to the station. All donations stay in our community and are much appreciated.

### Prize Box!!!!

These are Christmas Carol Bloopers. Guess the title to the Christmas carol from these lyrics given by children. **Prize** to all who turn in correct answers to Laurie

- *Holy Vincent, so tender and mild*
- *Sleep in heavenly peas, sleep in heavenly peas.*
- *Where shepherds washed their socks by night*
- *He's making a list of chicken and rice*
- *Olive the other reindeer*
- *Get dressed, ye married gentlemen, get huffing you this may*



# TURN of EVENTS

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TURNER RETIREMENT HOMES

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### Preparing Your Heart for Christmas with Gratitude...

What do you do when there is going to be a special event or company in your home? Do you make special preparations, special foods? Do you clean extra deep and decorate?

Entering the season of Advent, there is a whole lot of preparation going on in anticipation of the birth of our savior. Advent is about preparing, but not just about decking the halls in festive lights, ribbons and sweet, decadent aromas, it's also about preparing our hearts. How do YOU prepare your heart for Christmas? Are you overburdened and anxious? Do you complain about the crowds and traffic? Are you a SCROOGE? Is grumbling easier than gratitude?

A question asked recently by Pastor Barry Lind of Northwood Christian Church, "Do you need to change your focus from your circumstances to the goodness of God that is all around you?"

Preparing for the birth of our Savior is submersing ourselves in God's goodness. It's serving others as he did. It's counting our blessings not our burdens. A famous song from Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" says, "if you're worried and cannot sleep, count your blessings instead of sheep, and you'll fall asleep, counting your blessings,"

Recently, we asked residents to name 5 blessings they were grateful for. The list is below. If you find yourself getting burdened, read through the list again and come up with your own. Philippians 4:8 says: "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." (and thank God for such things!) Gratitude is good heart medicine! **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

*I am grateful for...Cortisone shots in my arm; my room here at TRH; my health; people here who really care; good books here to read; my five children; my family; TRH employees, friends and health; parents, corn on the cob, rain; good place to live at TRH; the help we get at TRH; for good sleep; for the lunch and everyone at the table; my health and being able to walk; Thankful for church family, home, family, my Lord, children and others who aren't able to get around easily; Thankful for grandchildren; living at TRH; being in the Navy; thankful for our cooks, our med-aids, our aids, office staff and maintenance staff; thankful for the two good wives I've had; my friendship with Laurie; my daughters who take me places; my son who helps with my money; for my family here and in the Philippines; my family at TRH and TCC; Thankful for the life that God has given to me; for Jesus Christ giving us salvation; Grateful for His great love. Thankful for how the Lord lets me know his Word just when I need it.*

