

On the Calendar

December 2012

- 02...JAM ice skating 4p-6p, MYG ice skating 5:30p-7:30p in Madison
02 & 09...Small Group Christmas parties (each Small Group's choice)
03..."Deck the Halls" 9:30a FC
03-06...Serve at Stewpot
05...Women's Circle 10:30a @ Susan Kellum's
08...MYG Christmas Party
10...Women's Book Club 6:30p @ Marcia Oden's
11...Christmas caroling 5:30p @ Manhattan Nursing Home
13...Ornament Swap 6:30 RR
16...Christmas Extravaganza/Talent Show 6p
24...Christmas Eve Service 5:30p Aud.
24-28...Christmas holidays (office closed)

Adult Classes

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

The Birth of the Messiah

combined class

Family Center-fellowship hall: Keith Parsons

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. through Dec. 19

ADVENTures

FC-5: Jerry Neill

Praise Team Christmas Eve Rehearsal

FC-6: Eric Livingston

Small Groups

Discussion guide sheet in Auditorium foyer or download from Web site

<http://meadowbrook.org/ministries/small-groups/>

Meadowbrook Leadership

Elders:

Don Berryhill
Tony Edwards
Roy Kellum
Jim Kopf
Phil Lucas
Bud Martin

Tom Reaves
Jeff Richardson
Ton Rietvelt
Don Seago
Blaine Totty
Larry Whiting *December Chairman*

Staff:

Amanda Box, *Children's Minister*
Eric Livingston, *Assoc. Minister*
Belinda Melson, *Admin. Asst.*
Jerry Neill, *Senior Minister*
Michael Tolleson, *Admin. Minister*
Jonathan Woods, *Youth Minister*



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Windows



Welcome! *We extend a friendly greeting to all worshippers today. If you are visiting or if you have a prayer request, please complete a prayer/guest card provided on the back of the pew in front of you and place in the offering plate.*

December 2, 2012

Gathering in Anticipation

#1001 *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* Eric Livingston, Associate Minister

Welcome & Prayer

Come Worship Christ the King

#997 *O Come All Ye Faithful*

Isaiah 11:1-3

Magnificat

Offering..... Ben Neely

God Who Comes to Save

A Table of Hope

Breaking the Bread.....Randy Monaghan

Sharing the Cup

#363 *Breath of Heaven*

The Story of Expectation

Jeremiah 33

Had it Not Been the Lord

"Do I Dare Open Myself Up to God?" Jerry Neill, Senior Minister

You Alone Can Rescue

Confidence in His Presence

Prayer for Peace Darrell Jackson

My Only Hope is You

#538 *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

Benediction Tony Edwards, Shepherd

Our Mission

*To be a Spirit-led
community of believers
who demonstrate
the sacrificial love
of Jesus to the world*

Our Vision

*To be the
hands and feet
of Jesus*

Our Values

*Worship
Spiritual Maturity
Outreach
Fellowship
Giving*

Prayers

Hilary Morrow, Carol Beasley's niece - the chemo for brain lesions is not working.
Ida Lambert, is recuperating from surgery at her daughter Amy's house.

Continued prayers:

Tim Nelson, Shirley and Dean Johnson, Truman Humphries - *Judy Rives' father*, Bobby Brothers - *Stephanie Perry's father*, Mary Ellis Cravey, Mark Hayden, Elizabeth Estes - *Ken Estes' mother*, Kemmel & Lisa Dunham - *Guatemala*

Condolences:

Gene Ashley, former member, passed away Wednesday, Nov. 28, in Jackson. His funeral was Friday, Nov. 30, in Gloster, MS. Diane Ashley can be reached at 110 Midleridge Drive, Florence, MS 39073.

Jo Metz, Joyce Acy's very close friend, passed away Thursday, Nov. 29. Her funeral was this weekend in Arkansas.

News

Sunday's Adult Spiritual Growth Class "The Birth of the Messiah," the December combined adult class, begins TODAY in the Family Center-fellowship hall at 9:30.

"Deck the Halls" Everyone is invited to come and spread the cheer as Meadowbrook "Decks the Halls" for the Christmas season. If you are available, please meet in the FC at 9:30 on Monday, Dec. 3. Coffee and hot chocolate will be provided.

ADVENTures and JAMmers = FUN! On Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 6:30, Jerry's Wednesday night class (ADVENTures) and the JAMmers (3rd-6th grades) will meet in the Family Center-fellowship hall for a working/fellowshipping FUN time! Adults and children are asked to bring one dozen undecorated Christmas cookies. In addition, adults are asked to bring Christmassy embellishments for decorating paper plate wreaths. The cookies and the wreaths will be taken to residents at Manhattan Nursing Home on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 5:30, as part of a Christmas caroling ADVENTure.

For Women:

- ◆ The Meadowbrook Women's Circle will meet Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 10:30, at Susan Kellum's home. Lunch will be provided. Please reply to Susan if attending.
- ◆ The Women's Book Club will meet Monday, Dec. 10, 6:30, at the home of Marcia Oden. We will discuss Lost December by Richard Paul Evans.
- ◆ Ladies are invited to a Christmas Ornament Swap on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 6:30, in the Reception Room. Everyone is asked to bring a wrapped ornament between \$5 and \$10 and a favorite holiday finger food.

Carolling, Carolling, Carolling! You're invited to join in the joy of Christmas caroling at the Manhattan Nursing Home on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 5:30. We plan to sing, visit, and share cookies with the residents until about 6:45. (Wreaths will be given to residents.)

Meadowbrook Christmas Extravaganza The Meadowbrook family will celebrate with a Christmas Extravaganza on Sunday, Dec. 16, beginning at 6:00, in the Auditorium. Performances will be a big part of the extravaganza and there are a few spots still available. If you are interested, contact Eric before Sunday, Dec. 9, to share your talent! After the show, we will move over to the FC for food and fellowship. Please bring party-type foods such as meatballs, sandwiches, chips & dips, etc., desserts, and drinks.



KFC resumes TODAY!

JAM Christmas Party at *Christmas on Ice* in Madison TODAY from 4:00 to 6:00. Tickets: \$15 (includes skates). Parents can watch for free. Bring the whole family with your JAMmer (3rd-6th grades) and join in the fun!

Christmas Fun- All 3rd-6th graders should report to the Family Center on Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 6:30. JAM will help prepare cookies and wreaths to take to Manhattan Nursing Home when Meadowbrook is scheduled to go caroling on Tuesday, December 11, at 5:30. Please bring one dozen undecorated Christmas cookies.

Children's Chorus- All children age 3 to 6th grade are invited to participate in the mini-musical, *Shepherds, Sheep, and a Savior*, to be performed during the Meadowbrook Christmas Extravaganza, Sunday, Dec. 16, 6:00. Email Amanda@meadowbrook.org if your child would like to participate, and pick up lyrics and cd in the foyer.

REHEARSAL SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, Dec. 5, & Wednesday, Dec. 12, 5:30 – 6:30, FC 3

Saturday, Dec. 15, time TBA (dress rehearsal)

Sunday, Dec. 16, 5:00 (dress rehearsal). Talent show at 6:00.



Today/Tonight: SNL on ice! From 5:30 to 7:30 the MYG is going to Christmas on Ice in Madison to ice skate and hang out. Cost \$10. A van will be leaving church at 5:00pm to go up

there. If your teen wants to ride in the van, please let me know. We will leave Madison at 7:30 and return to the building at 8:00. Hope to see you there!

MYG Christmas Party, December 8: It is time again for food, dirty Santa, and more food! From 6:00 to 9:00, the MYG will enjoy Christmas activities and contests that will make for a great night of fun! Plan on dressing up and bringing a \$5 dirty Santa gift! More details will come soon. Meet at Meadowbrook at 6:00, and the night will end at the Richardsons' house at 9:00. Please let me know if you can assist...I still need help! More details are on the Meadowbrook website.

Sharing

Serenity of Purpose A new home group of Alcoholics Anonymous has begun meeting twice a week at Meadowbrook in FC-3. *Serenity of Purpose* meets each Tuesday and Friday at 5:30pm in the Family Center. The Tuesday meeting is a closed meeting, while the Friday meeting is open. Please contact the church office if you have questions.

socks4surgery We are kicking off our JAM Christmas project by collecting slipper socks for the Mayan Indians of western Guatemala who receive surgical treatment at Clinica Ezell. We need approximately 60 slipper socks in ladies size small and children's sizes for boys and girls. There is a drop-off box outside the church office.

End-of-Year Contributions If you donated a non-monetary item to the church in 2012 and did not receive a letter acknowledging that donation, please call the church office. Also, as a reminder, checks received after January 1 will not be included in calendar year 2012 Charitable Contribution statements unless the check is mailed and post-marked December 31 or before. Charitable Contribution statements will be mailed out on or before January 31, 2013.

Wed. Night Supper, Dec. 5: Red Beans & rice w/ sausage, hot dogs, dessert, tea/coffee.