

### Calendar for the Week

Sunday	Dec	15	9:00am	Chapel Prayer
			9:30am	Courtyard Fellowship
			9:45am	Sunday School
			11:00am	Worship – Third Sunday of Advent Angel Gifts
			7:00pm	SPRC Meeting
Tuesday	Dec	17	9:00am	Food Pantry Volunteer Opportunity
			11:30am	BLG to Cornerstone Café
Wednesday	Dec	18	1:00pm	Angel Tree Gifts Pick Up
			7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Friday	Dec	20	4:00pm	Churchwide Christmas Caroling
Sunday	Dec	22	9:00am	Chapel Prayer
			9:30am	Courtyard Fellowship
			9:45am	Sunday School
			11:00am	Worship – Fourth Sunday of Advent Lessons and Carols Poinsettia Sunday Stewardship Sunday
			7:15pm	Finance Committee

Our nursery is staffed from 9:00am – 12:30pm

### Upcoming Birthdays

December		January
18	Trey Apperson	28 Elizabeth Murphy
21	Richard Bond	30 Hayden Walker
21	Hannah Faith Gaines	31 Ed Bateman
22	Gavin Tyndall	
23	Larry Johnson	
23	Nonie Roberson	

*Is your birthday missing? Contact the church office to add.*

### Angel Tree Gifts are due Today

Angel Tree gifts are due back today. Gifts should be wrapped with the tag attached to the outside of the package for easy distribution. Thank you to everyone who assisted in providing gifts for these families.

### The Better Life Group (BLG) – Final 2019 Outing

The BLG December Christmas luncheon is planned for Tuesday, December 17. We will go to Cornerstone Café & Coffee in Benson. Cornerstone Café & Coffee is a family owned and operated café and coffee house. With the goal of sparking new life and new flavor into a small town, the owners set out to deliver healthier eating options while maintaining great Southern charm. The menu offers gourmet sandwiches, incredible salads, Belgian waffles all day, homemade desserts, and the best coffee and espresso. Enjoy great food, a fantastic atmosphere and incredible service. We will meet in the church parking lot at 11:30am. If you are not already on the BLG calling list, please let the church office know if you would like to attend. The more the merrier!

### Here We Come a Wassailing

Although “wassailing” was changed to “caroling” in the early 1800s, the tradition of spreading good cheer by going door to door singing and wishing good health is a long tradition that has not changed. Caroling is a beautiful way to infuse the delight of Christmas throughout our local community.



Divine Street will take to the town on Friday, December 20 and will carol from 4:00 – 6:00pm. Dress in your festive attire; you don't even really have to be good at singing, just come and have fun!

### Poinsettia Sunday is December 22

Adorn the sanctuary with the beauty of the Christmas flower! Bring a red poinsettia in memory or honor of someone on this day. Floral picks and cards will be available for you to add your dedication. We will enjoy the flowers until the conclusion of our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at which time you are asked to take your flower with you or present it to your honoree.

### Stewardship Sunday

Next Sunday, we will join our hearts in thanking God for our gifts and in dedicating our lives and resources to God's mission. 2019 Year End Giving and 2020 Pledge cards and envelopes are located at the back of the church for your convenience. (Cards are double-sided.) Please take a moment to thank God for your blessings, prayerfully complete both of the cards, and quickly return them to the church office (or Sunday morning offering plate) by December 22.

### UPCOMING WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS!

12/15	Angel Tree	Angel Tree gifts for children are due back at the church on this morning when we will bless the givers, the gifts, and the children who will receive them.
12/22	Lessons and Carols	Created in 1880, the “Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols” combines scripture readings which tell the entire story of Christmas with some of the beautiful music of Christmas.
12/22	Poinsettia Sunday	When you bring your own poinsettia this morning, we will adorn our sanctuary in memory or in honor of those you love.
12/24	Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion	Our Christmas Eve worship focuses on the birth of Jesus and concludes with Holy Communion and a candlelighting service.
12/29	Wesley Covenant Renewal Service	Adapted by John Wesley in 1755, this service is a time of renewing our commitment to Christ and the Church at the start of the year.