

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4	Jonathan Murphy	13	Valton Coats	23	Nonie Roberson
5	Allen Peterson	18	Trey Apperson	28	Janice Lever
6	Faye Butler	18	Colin Simonelli	28	Elizabeth Murphy
6	Jackson Crumpler	19	Ethan Duval	28	Mariah Rabb
6	Trey Leslie	21	Richard Bond	29	Mary Jo Rabb
10	Christopher Parker	21	Hannah Faith Gaines	30	Hayden Walker
10	Kyle Parker	22	Gavin Tyndall	31	Ed Bateman
12	Mary Lemuel Blalock	23	Larry Johnson		

*Is your birthday missing?*

*Please call the church office so we can be sure to add you to our records!*

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday	Dec	18	9:00am	Chapel Prayer
			9:30am	Courtyard Fellowship
			9:45am	Sunday School
			10:45am	Sanctuary Music
			11:00am	Worship – Fourth Sunday of Advent Poinsettia Sunday, Blessing of the Gowns, Blessing of the Angel Gifts
			12:15pm	Youth Band Finance Committee in the Visioning Center
			12:30pm	College Student Christmas Lunch at the Parsonage
			2:00pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
			4:00pm	Youth Caroling, Dinner and Gift Exchange
			6:00pm	Trustees in the Conference Room
			7:00pm	Church Council
Monday	Dec	19	12:00pm	UMW “Come As You Are” at White Swan
Wednesday	Dec	21	1:00pm	Outreach Angel Tree Gift Distribution
			5:00pm	Outreach Angel Tree Gift Distribution
			7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Friday	Dec	23		Church Office Closed
Saturday	Dec	24	6:00pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Sunday	Dec	25	10:00am	Worship – Christmas Day Lessons and Carols

## ON THE DIVINE HORIZON

Monday – Wednesday December 26-28	Church Office Closed
Wednesday, December 28	No Wednesday Evening Activities
Sunday, January 1	Epiphany Sunday
Monday, January 2	Church Office Closed
Wednesday, January 4	Divine Dining Bible Study for Everyone

## Today is Poinsettia Sunday

Place a card in your red poinsettia today to honor or remember a loved one. Picks and cards are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Place your poinsettia on a window sill or on the steps in front of the Altar Table. Poinsettias will remain in the Sanctuary until Christmas Day when you will please take them home after the 10:00am service.

## Zoe Ministry Offering

For the entire month of December, the Children and Youth will be collecting an offering for Zoe Ministry. Our donation will be used to support this wonderful ministry. Please place any loose change/bills in the Zoe Ministry jar located on the information table just inside the courtyard entrance. Thank you for your generosity!

## College Student Christmas Lunch Gathering **TODAY at 12:30pm**

All of our college students are invited to a Christmas lunch after worship today at the Parsonage. So excited to see you all there!

## Caroling and Party for Youth **TODAY at 4:00pm**

The church congregation is invited to go caroling with the youth at 4:00 pm this afternoon. Afterwards, the youth will have dinner and a gift exchange. Youth should bring a gift that costs \$8.00 or less to exchange. Come and bring a friend!

## UMW “Come As You Are” Lunch **Monday, December 19 at 12:00noon**

Divine Street UMW will have their annual “Come As You Are” lunch on December 19. The women will meet at White Swan Restaurant at 12:00 noon.

## Angel Tree Gift Pick Up **Wednesday, December 21**

Our Angel Tree Outreach Team will meet at the church on December 21 to distribute gifts to the eight (8) community families that we are supporting this Christmas. There are two (2) designated pick up times: 1:00 – 3:00pm and 5:00 – 7:00pm. Thank you to the entire congregation for your response to the need in our community.

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service **Saturday, December 24 at 6:00pm**

Celebrate with joy the birth of the Christ Child as we sing through our service of Holy Communion and candlelight.

## Christmas Day Worship **Sunday, December 25 at 10:00am** Christmas Morning Lessons and Carols

Celebrate God’s story from creation to the birth of Jesus through the reading of scripture and the singing of carols. We will highlight our incredible choir throughout the service.