



Weekly CHATTER

DECEMBER 12, 2021

In-Person (Family Life Center) and Online.



WORSHIP UPDATE

This Sunday, December 12th, it's Cookies, Cocoa and More as we meet in the Family Life Center for the 3rd Sunday in Advent, the Sunday of Joy! During worship, we will celebrate the awarding of bibles to our 3rd graders and at

10:45 a.m. we will enjoy a time of fellowship, cookies, mission, and merrymaking. Bring your favorite Christmas cookies to share, and plan to lend a hand in crafts and outreach to Montclair Elementary.

As always, don't forget our Worship through Prayer continues to meet in Room #29 at 9:30 a.m. and at 11:11 a.m. small group opportunities with Pathseekers, Covenant Class, Misfits, and Cross-Cultural Ministry follow worship. See you this Sunday!

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS CARD.



The 2021 Mission Ministry Christmas cards benefiting SAUMC's partner ministries and bearing an original artwork from our very own Kenn Bullock are available in the Narthex. Share the warmth of the season with a greeting and a gift!

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Our church has worship leaders who help guide the congregation through the worship service. Some worship leaders are Pastor Sherri who preaches, Pastor David who reads the Bible and translates the message into Spanish, Ms. Sara who leads us in music, and others who make announcements. There are many worship leaders and we need you to help us by being an acolyte. An acolyte has a very important job. Acolytes bring the light of Christ into the worship service and then takes that light out into the world. If you would like to become an acolyte or would like more information about becoming an acolyte, please reach out to Ms. Jennifer Bryant at missjen_jen@hotmail.com or 704-904-4700. Watch for more details about an informational meeting that will be held after Christmas.



LOOKING AHEAD.



Sunday, December 19th, Las Posadas with our Cross-Cultural family at 1:00 p.m. Join us for this annual festival and re-telling of the Holy Family's pilgrimage to find a home in Bethlehem.

Christmas Eve, December 24th
4:00 - A Pageant for All God's Children.
7:00 - Traditional Candlelight and Communion.

On Sunday, December 26th, at 10:00 a.m. we will worship online only with a special offering from our chancel choir and a message from Bishop Ken Carter.

CAMP TEKOA. It is time to sign up for summer camp at Camp Tekoa! Please go to www.camptekoa.org to explore camps that are available for your child! Kevin Ward will be the Pastor of the Week the 8th week of Camp (July 24th-July 30th, 2022) and you are encouraged to sign up for that week if you can! If you have any questions, need financial assistance with camp, or need help understanding the various camp offerings for your child, please contact Kevin at kjw2517@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS



- 13 Libby Patton
- 15 Susan Saunders
- 16 Griselda Darvelia Ventura
- 17 Scot Hughes
- 19 Russ Thorne
- 19 Brenda Turbyfill

WORSHIP SERVICES DECEMBER 12, 2021

- 9:30 a.m.
Worship Through Prayer
- 10:00 a.m.
Worship Through Music and Word
"Can We Go Home Again?"
Luke 3:8a, 10-16
- 11:11 a.m.
Spiritual Formation and Fellowship for Children, Youth, and Adults.

REGULAR CHURCH HOURS:

Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Closed on Fridays.



PLEASE NOTE:

The church office will be open on a limited basis the week of December 26th. Monday, December 27th the office is closed. Tuesday - Thursday, December 28th through December 30th the office will be open from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. daily for business and year-end financial gifts. The office will also be closed on Monday, January 3rd and resume normal hours on Tuesday, January 4th.