

Keeping in Touch

December 15, 2015



All Church Christmas Lunch, Sunday, December 20th

Sunday, December 20th, is our annual Christmas Luncheon with turkey, dressing and cranberry sauce provided. Members are invited to bring a side dish --vegetables, salads or desserts-- along with a grateful holiday spirit!

Folks will have an opportunity to make a contribution to help defray the cost of the turkey!



DOCK NEWS

Daughters of Christ the King

Due to Christmas holiday schedule, backpacks for the DOCK sponsored Back Pack Program will be packed Wednesday, December 16 at 9:30 in Maxwell Hall.

Volunteers are needed due to the fact that Kids Kount schedule is altered during the holidays. Will you help? Come to Maxwell Hall Wednesday at 9:30!

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It's hard to imagine, but it's true!

Used Blankets and Winter Clothing Needed

It's hard to imagine that just a short distance from where we live, shop, work and are entertained, folks live in what amounts to a "tent-city." As the weather turns cold, these folks desperately need --and are grateful to get--used quilts, blankets and men's warm clothing. If you have ANYTHING to donate to this cause, bring your contributions to Maxwell Hall and place them on a table near the entrance. Mary Wade is coordinating this ministry.

Advent Calendar, 2015

Advent is a "season" of the church leading toward the celebration of Jesus' birth.



Advent is marked by worship and fellowship emphases:

< **Fourth Sunday of Advent: LOVE, Sunday, December 20th**

- + 10:00 AM Sunday School for all
- + 11:00 AM Worship
- + 12:00 PM Fellowship Meal
- + 5:00 PM Kids Kount

Child Care is provided Sunday School through Lunch. After lunch "clean up:" members with last names beginning with M-R.

< **Christmas Eve, Candlelight Worship & Communion, 7:00 PM, December 24th.**

Matters of Stewardship

December 13, 2015

General Fund	\$3,924.00
Christmas Mission	2,500.00
Backpack Program	25.00
Worship Attendance	~ 113

The Church at Lake Cherokee serves Chalk Hill, Tatum, Henderson, Kilgore, Longview, Marshall, Lake Cherokee, Lake Port and surrounding areas <> Physical address 11968 FM 2011 East, Henderson, TX 75652 <> Mail P. O. Box 3327, Longview, TX 75606 <> Phone 903 643-9260 <> Ministers Fr. Mike Maxwell 214 415-6553, Dr. Bill Smythe 903 240-9631, Patrick Peerenboom, 903 431-0818

NO "Keeping In Touch" or "Joys & Concerns" will be emailed next week.

Anticipate an emailed reminder about **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**

"Joys & Concerns will be available at the entrance of worship Sunday, December 27th

**We Wish You
A Very Merry Christmas
&**

**A Blessed & Joyous New Year
Mike Maxwell, Bill Smythe,
Patrick Peerenboom, Dee Kennell,
Cindy Dragisic, Billie Clay**

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Kids Kount Korner

It's a busy calendar for a busy and blessed season. Here goes:

Youth Bible Study, Tuesday [and each Tuesday], December 15, 7:30 – 8:30 PM at the Peerenbooms' SH45 Lake Cherokee, continuing the study of the Joshua. Bring your Bible and a friend. See you!

Kids Kount Christmas Party, Sunday, December 20th, 5:00 7:00 PM: **Ugly Pajama Party**. Come to enjoy fun, food, fellowship, festive and feats [All "F's" you notice]. Bring a friend. Admission is a staple food item for "yellow wagon" to be donated to area folks in need. This week's Kid Kount fellowship meal is provided by the church. Folks willing – perhaps some are even eager—to provide a Sunday evening meal for Kids Kount January – March, contact Patrick Peerenboom for a date. (A date? Yikes!!).

NO KIDS KOUNT December 27th, Christmas Break. **Kids STILL Kount.**

Kids Kount New Years Party is January 3rd. More information to follow

Kids Kount "Movie Under the Stars" was a HUGE success even though it rained. In doors, 35 youth enjoyed the movie "Elf" with lots of fellowship and snacks. See you next month! The youth ministry collected food for the "yellow wagon."

The **Annual Marshall Lights Trip** to ice skate and visit downtown was also a success. We were unable to skate due to rain, but kids enjoyed hot chocolate and fudge. Thirty Kids Kount youth and 10 adults enjoyed the trip and pizza buffet.

Register for **The RISE**, at Belcher Center. It's an opportunity for youth outside of daily routine to examine and enhance their relationship with Christ through worship, speakers, small groups and music. Interested? Contact Patrick Peerenboom. The RISE is ALSO for parents. Three hundred seats are reserved for adults with designated speakers. Interested? Contact Patrick Peerenboom.

Registration continues for **Mid-Winter Retreats** at Disciples Crossing, Athens. **Chi Rho Mid-Winter**, grades 6-8, is Friday-Sunday, February 5-7. **CYF Mid-Winter**, grades 9-12, is Friday-Sunday, February 19-21. Register at Kids Kount evenings or contact Patrick Peerenboom.

Merry Kristmas from Kount Kount