

Keeping In Touch

December 5, 2012



Hangings of the Green Service

This Sunday, December 9th, 11:00 AM

In observance of the second Sunday of Advent, Sunday is Hangings of the Greens service during which time the "final touches" of holiday decorations will be symbolically placed in the sanctuary as the Christian Significance of these memorable Christmas traditions are told in scripture, narrative, song and music.

Massage Gift Certificates

Pete Martinez graciously gave the church 10 \$50.00 gifts certificates for a one hour massage. Proceeds from the sale of the certificates will go to outreach ministries for the Church's Christmas mission. What a great gift idea! The supply is limited. See Bill Smythe. Only 2 certificates are available. Thanks, Pete!

Advent 2012

Advent is a four week period before Christmas, a time for Christians to focus on the coming of the Christchild at Bethlehem and the celebration of Christmas. The following emphases will be followed:

- *Peace*, December 9th
- *Love*, December 16th
- *Joy*, December 23rd ...

...culminating with a Candlelight, Christmas Eve service, 7:00 PM December 24th.

Visit our new website
thechurchatlakecherokee.com

Do you have:

- digital pictures of church events or activities?
- suggestions to improve our church webpage?
- ...call or email

church@thechurchatlakecherokee.com

Matters of Stewardship

For Sunday, December 2, 2012

General Fund	\$309 9.00
Christmas Fund	\$5550.00

Memorials were made for Margaret Graves, Randy Graves' mother and Marguerite Hallum, Pat Steele's mother

ADVENT CALENDAR

- ++Chasing Francis Small Group 12/5 at Lori and Mike Hendrick's home
 - ++ Hanging of the Greens, 12/9, 11:00 AM
 - ++Kids Kount "Outing:" Dinner, Marshall Lights, Ice Skate, 12/9/12, 4:00 PM
 - ++ Hales Angels Small Group, 12/14, 6:30 PM, Mark & Elaine Hale's home
 - ++Genesis Sunday School Class Party & Dinner, 12/14, 6:45 PM at the Smythe's home
 - ++Morning Worship, Advent III, 12/16, 11:00 AM
 - ++Rebel With A Cause Small Group, 12/17, 6:30 PM at Jim & Sue Wilson's home
 - ++Kids Kount Kristmas Karoling Party with Dinner, Crazy Gift Exchange and "S-more;" 12/16, 5:00 PM at the Smythe's home
 - ++Spirit Seekers Small Group, 12/18, Napolis Resturant
 - ++ Morning Worship, Advent IV, December 23rd, 11:00 AM
 - ++Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion, 12/24, 7:00 PM
- If there are other Advent / Christmas activities to be added to the Christmas / Advent Calendar, please reply to this email.

Mission Possible

CONGREGATIONAL QUESTIONAIE!

Do you need help:

- changing a light bulb;
- moving large potted plants inside for winter;
- replacing or repairing an electrical cord;
- picking up a package that's too large "to handle";
- other household chores?

Call MISSION POSSIBLE: Dave Clark, 903-643-2833; Ray Eustace, 903-643-8227 or Bill Smythe, 903-643-7238 for assistance.

Kids Kount Korner

Kids Kount has an ALL IMPORTANT GET-TOGETHER this Wednesday Night (note the day! Wednesday!) December 5, 6:00 PM to prepare for our part in HANGING OF THE GREENS. It's Pizza and Prepare.

Now, "youse guys" [that mafia for "you guys"]: THIS IS TO FOLLOW:

- Sunday, December 9th: 11:00 AM (be there at 10:30 AM); Hanging of the Greens
- Sunday, December 9th: 4:00 PM "Special "Outing" to Marshall Lights to ice skate, see da' Lights; and have dinner "out;"
- Sunday, December 16th: 5:00 PM Kids Kount Kristmas (that's "CHRISTMAS") Party : Karoling, Dinner at the Smythe, SS 22A, Lake Cherokee; Crazy Gift Exchange; and "lots 's-mores." What is a "Crazy Gift Exchange?" (1) You CANNOT purchase the gift; (2) It's likely something that someone told you to throw away; (3) It might even come from a dumpster; (4) it should be equally offensive to either a boy or girl. [Get it?]

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