



**Sunday, November 29 - 1st Sunday of Advent**

**8:45 AM** - Worship (Family Choir); **11:00 AM** - Worship (Chancel Choir); **12:00 PM** - Light Luncheon followed by **Hanging of the Greens: Commons I & II / Sanctuary**

**Sunday, December 6 - 2nd Sunday of Advent**

**Morning: 8:45 AM** - Worship (Family Choir/Whitechapel Bells); **POINSETTIA PICK-UP** (between services and after the 11:00 service) - Volunteer Work Room; **11:00 AM** - Worship (Chancel Choir/Whitechapel Bells); **Communion at BOTH services.**

**Advent Evening Event (Fellowship Hall):**

**4:30 PM**—Cookie Decorating & Storytelling

**6:00 PM** - Dinner

**Sunday, December 13 - 3rd Sunday of Advent**

**Advent Music Sunday - Chancel Choir to present “Gloria” by Francis Poulenc**

**Morning: BOTH SERVICES IN SANCTUARY; 8:45 AM** - Worship (Family Choir); **11:00 AM**—Worship (Chancel Choir, Harp, Timpani, Organ); **12:15 PM** - **Service of Lamentation & Light (Chapel)**

**Advent Evening Event:**

**4:30 PM** - Wrapping/Packing Boxes for Martineztown House of Neighborly Service

**6:00 PM** - Dinner

**Monday, December 14**

**9:30 AM** - Load up and deliver *Holiday Food Boxes* to Martineztown House of Neighborly Service (Refreshments in Fellowship Hall will follow.)

**Sunday, December 20 - 4th Sunday of Advent**

**Morning: 8:45 AM** - Worship (Family Choir); **10:00 AM** - **Albuquerque Boy Choir singing in the Commons between services; 11:00 AM** - Worship (Chancel Choir/Albuquerque Boy Choir)

**Advent Evening Event:**

**4:30 PM** - Light snacks

**5:00 PM** - Go to Manzano del Sol for Caroling (take individual vehicles so you can leave from there)

**Thursday, December 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE (Note: No Childcare Available)**

**5:00 PM - Family Worship Service** - Join us for a celebration of the birth of Jesus! We will tell the story of the nativity through reading of the scripture, hearing of musical selections and singing of Christmas hymns. Children will be invited to dress up in character – shepherds, angels, and townspeople from Bethlehem. We’ll have the costumes, and these will be available at the entrance to the sanctuary before the service. Children and youth provide the leadership for this service and people of all ages are welcome, from infants to adults.

**6:00 PM - Chancel Choir & Staff Dinner (Fellowship Hall)**

**7:30 PM - Pre-Service Christmas Music (Dr. James Yeager, Organ)**

**8:00 PM - Candlelight Service (Chancel Choir)**

**10:30 PM - Pre-Service Christmas Music (Dr. James Yeager, Organ)**

**11:00 PM - Candlelight Communion Service (Dr. James Yeager, Organ)**

**Friday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY - Church Office CLOSED**

**Sunday, December 27**

**ONE WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY: 11:00 AM (Sanctuary); NO SUNDAY SCHOOL**

**Thursday, December 31 - New Year’s Eve - Church Office closes at 2:00 p.m.**

**Friday, January 1, 2010 - NEW YEAR’S DAY - Church Office CLOSED**



## ALL-CHURCH FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20TH - 12:00 NOON - FELLOWSHIP HALL  
WE WILL BE CELEBRATING LARRY & EMILY FOOR'S  
50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY, SO CAKE WILL BE FURNISHED  
NO NEED TO BRING DESSERT. (FREE WILL OFFERING)

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

### *Adopt a Martineztown House Family for Christmas:*

Please help make Christmas possible for local families. Your family or small group can adopt a family of any size through Martineztown House of Neighborly Services and provide Christmas gifts for them. Please see Karen Hill for more information.

### *Christmas Food Boxes for Martineztown House of Neighborly Services:*

Please remember to bring your donations to church to help fill our food boxes. Our goal this year is to pack 80 food boxes.

- **Sunday, Nov 29<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent – Food drive begins.**

Please bring: Non-perishable holiday foods, such as canned green beans, cream of mushroom soup, boxes of stuffing mix or scalloped or au gratin potatoes, canned cranberry sauce and boxed bread and cake mixes. You may also make monetary donations to purchase canned hams.

- **Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Advent – Food drive continues.**

Please bring: Non-perishable lunch foods, such as canned soups and meats, spaghetti, peanut butter, jelly and crackers. Monetary donations will purchase bread and fresh fruit.

- **Sunday December 13<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent – Food drive ends.**

Please bring: Non-perishable breakfast foods, such as boxes of cereal, individual packages of apple sauce, raisins or containers of peaches or mixed fruit. Monetary donations will purchase final items.

Meet in Fellowship Hall from 4:30-6:30 to help pack the boxes and sort the food at Advent Event. Please, bring wrapping paper, tape and scissors.

- **\*\*Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup> – Deliver Food Boxes.** (Please, note this is a change from last month's Messenger.) Meet at church at 9:30am to deliver food boxes. We will deliver the boxes around 10am and meet back in Fellowship Hall for refreshments afterward. We especially need drivers with trucks & SUVs – please sign up with Carolyn Rhodes in the church office – 764-2900. Thanks for your help.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Karen Hill or the Mission Committee.

### *Gifts of Hope Catalogs Available throughout the year!*

Instead of giving more stuff to people who already have too much stuff, why not give an alternative Christmas gift? Help support one of our local service agencies by making a donation in honor of your friends and loved ones. The Gifts of Hope Catalogs are available in Commons I or in the church office.

### *Do you have old furniture or household items?*

If you have gently used furniture, appliances or household items, you can donate them to the Martineztown House of Neighborly Services. There are families in our community who need these things. Please, call Eugenia Cabiedes at 242-4333, for more information.