

*"You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men.."* 2 Corinthians 3:2



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**GOD** is Our **Passion**.

Serving **People** is Our **Mission**.

The mission of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church is to profoundly *experience*, joyfully *celebrate*, and meaningfully *share* God's grace.

We do this through Christ-centered **worship**, **biblical instruction**, **prayer**, **nurturing fellowship**, and **caring acts** that are reflective of our love for God and one another.

We, through the power of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel and Jesus Christ to all people while supporting the work of missions in our church, our community, our country, and the world.

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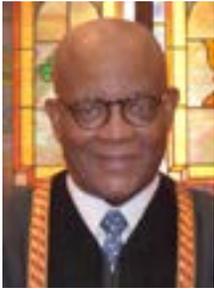
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# Surviving the Holidays and Managing Grief

By Rev. Reginald Townsend, Associate Minister and Grief Share Team Member



The Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays can be emotionally intense for survivors. Each holiday reminds us of our loved one's death and brings new challenges and questions for believers. In the daily activities of life, things that were once simple are now hard. Grief and bereavement are normal human responses to loss; however, the COVID-19 pandemic has

amplified grief. Just as the seasons change, so too will your emotions change over time as life moves forward.

God offers a place where you can find rest and renewal when holiday emotions flood in. In these moments, remember that Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls." (Matt 11:28, NLT) We connect with that place through the perfect peace of prayer and meditation.

Think about the fact that God is an ever-present help in times of trouble. When you experience trouble, it might be a perfect time to just fall on your knees and cry out to the Lord and experience the full measure of His grace and mercy. Christ is Emmanuel, meaning God is with us. Because of that, there is hope in every situation. Even if you don't feel God's presence, it does not mean that He's not working His plan and making you stronger spiritually. So, be encouraged, and remember that you are not alone.

If we didn't have the hope and the promise of the gift that God gave us through Jesus, we could not deal with the losses that we've experienced due to death. Your mind and body may grow weak, but God is your strength. He is all we will ever need.

The holiday season is a time when we embrace our family and friends. As Christians, we thank God that Jesus came to earth and bore our sins in His body on the tree. In His full identification with our humanity, especially on that cross, He took the entire range of our feelings and emotions unto Himself. He took on the feeling of our infirmities so that we would not have to bear them alone.

At Christmas, we celebrate the gift of forgiveness and eternal life that Jesus brought us. His birth marks a new chapter in God's plan to save us from our sins and to end our suffering. So, if you're discouraged during the holidays, remind yourself that the baby Jesus came, not only to save you from sin but to heal your heart and mind of the pains of this world. Because of Jesus, one day, there will be no more suffering. And even right now, in the middle of your hurt and suffering, He wants to be a part of your life, to comfort you, and help you heal.

The Bible teaches that God's Word is living and active and always useful. Incorporate Bible verses into your prayers. It is a powerful practice that brings results in good and bad times. "So do not fear, for I (God) am with you. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." (Isa 41:10)

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The Shepherd boy who became King David reminds us in Psalm 23:4 that even though you walk through the darkest valley, you should fear no evil; for the Lord is with us. Be encouraged. Do not lose hope. Things will improve with time. Here are some important steps you can follow:

- Recognize that the holidays will be tough—emotionally, relationally, physically, and spiritually.
- Do not fight the added emotions; accept them and let them come.
- Set realistic expectations for yourself, understand your limitations.
- Practice self-care, wear your mask, get vaccinated, eat right, exercise, get adequate sleep, talk with a pastor or therapist if needed, and join a support ministry.
- Write down your thoughts and feelings in a journal.
- Remember that prayer changes things. Ask God to help you in your hour of need.

For more information on how to cope with the changing emotions of the holiday season, speak with a member of the GriefShare Support Ministry Team. You may also contact the church office at (202)-829-2773 or [office@19thstreetbc.org](mailto:office@19thstreetbc.org) for the schedule of meeting dates and times for the GriefShare Ministry. ❖



## Prayer for Christmas

*Prevent us, O Lord, from letting our Christmas be spent foolishly.*

*Remind us that it is Christ's birthday we celebrate and not our own.*

*Keep us from wanting our own desires to be fulfilled and from being angry or hurt when they are not.*

*Make us mature in our thoughts and actions.*

*Especially stir up such great love within us, that we may carry the blessed glow of Christmas with us now and through the days of life to come.*

*In the name of the Christ child. Amen.*

# Congratulations!

New Deacons Yvonne Gowdy, Michael Nelson, and Vernell Wooden were ordained on Sunday, November 21, 2021, during the morning worship service.



# Guidelines for Attending Service in Person

We're open for worship. If you're planning to join in person, there are a few things you should know. To attend in-person service, you MUST:

- Be *fully* vaccinated
- Show proof of vaccination (original vaccination card or a copy or photo of it)
- Wear a mask covering your nose and mouth
- Pass a temperature screening
- Arrive 30 minutes before the service to allow time for screening and seating

**Social distancing will also be in effect**, meaning no hugging, kissing, shaking hands, or bumping elbows or fists with people who are not members of your family or household. If attending service with family or people from the same household, you may sit together in a group of no more than six people.



*Deacons Kenyatta Hobson and Sandra LeSesne serving communion*

We know these are significant changes, but prayerfully they will only be temporary.

Don't wish to join in person? No problem we will continue to stream our services online via YouTube. Whether you join in person or online, worship with us every Sunday at 10 a.m. ❖



*Hybrid Church School Adult Class*



*Socially-distanced worshipers on Homecoming Sunday*

# We're All on Team Board of Trustees

*By Trustee Donza M. Poole*

Occasionally, I read the church constitution to remind myself of the Board's role. It says the Board of Trustees is responsible for managing the church's finances and physical assets and mandates that the Board, "with the cooperation of church members and auxiliaries," secure and raise funds needed to meet all expenses. These are not the Board's only responsibilities, but they are some of the most important, and they can sometimes seem daunting when caring for an aging church facility, especially, during a pandemic. But the beauty of the constitution's words is that we're all in this together. When it comes to raising funds to run the church, the constitution says that it shall be done "with the cooperation of church members and auxiliaries." We already know this to be true. But seeing the words in writing is a reminder of how each of us has a role in advancing the mission of the Board; that is, each of us has a position on Team Board of Trustees.

In this month's column, we talk about actions the Board has taken to reduce the church's water bill, plus end-of-the-year actions each of us can take to advance the larger vision of the church and the mission of the Board of Trustees.

## **Clean Rivers Impervious Area Charge Application Approved**

I love talking about what the church has done to protect God's creation and how there can be related cost benefits. Last month provided further proof.

If you live in DC, you're likely familiar with the Clean Rivers Impervious Area Charge (CRIAC) assessed against residents and organizations to help pay for DC's multibillion-dollar project to reduce sewage and stormwater runoff to area waterways. To provide relief from rising CRIAC rates, DC has a program for nonprofits that complete a stormwater mitigation program by installing green infrastructure. The construction of the church's prayer garden in 2019 qualifies. Since its construction, the Board has applied for and received CRIAC relief each year. We're pleased to report that, last month, the church's CRIAC application was approved for \$574.73 in monthly relief. This is equivalent to a 79.1 percent rate relief and will save the church nearly \$7,000 over the next year, proof that going green pays.

## **Six End-of-Year Giving Tips for the Cheerful Giver**

'Tis the season for end-of-the-year giving and our annual tips on how to ensure your end-of-the-year contributions are properly credited.

We have much to be thankful for as a church. At a time when more churches are closing than are opening and when there is uncertainty about what churches will look like post-pandemic, we are blessed to be part of a congregation whose members continue to give generously of their time, talent, and treasure. This has enabled the church to meet expenses, carry out vital ministries, help those in need, and begin transitioning to a hybrid church format.

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As we approach the end of year, here are six tips to help ensure that your much-appreciated gifts are properly credited:

1. When giving by cash or check, use your numbered offering envelope—your contributions record is largely based on the information you put on the envelope.
2. If not using an offering envelope, write your envelope number on the check or correspondence sent with your offering.
3. When designating your offering for a purpose or ministry, write the purpose or ministry on the “Other” line of the offering envelope and specify the amount, or if not using an envelope, on the memo section of your check or on the correspondence sent with your offering.
4. When giving by PayPal, Givelify, Cash App, or a credit card, include your envelope number, if you have one. Also indicate how you want your contribution allocated.
5. To be tax deductible, your gift must be received or postmarked on or before December 31, 2021.
6. Down to the wire? You can give online or by app at any time. Visit the church website at [19thstreetbc.org](http://19thstreetbc.org) and click on the “Giving” link. ❖

# Ways to Be a Blessing to Others

*By Trustee Donza M. Poole*

Last year, the Trustee Board highlighted church ministries you could support during the holiday season in addition to giving your regular tithes and offering. This year, I asked individual trustees to name a favorite church ministry. Here are some of the causes they named:

- **The Etyce Moore Scholarship Fund:** This fund is part of the church’s scholarship fund program. Your gift of support will help advance the goal of a worthy recipient pursuing a college degree. Click [here](#) to learn more.
- **The Food Pantry:** The Food Pantry helps fight hunger throughout the DC area. At a time of rising food costs and continuing food insecurity, your gift of support is sure to meet a vital need. The Food Pantry also welcomes volunteers. To learn more, click [here](#).
- **The Music Ministry:** Although part of the church budget, the Music Ministry is expected to raise \$5,000 each year. With the pandemic limiting their fundraising and increasing their expenses (e.g., the need for additional microphones to limit the spread of COVID-19), the ministry could use your support. You can also help by joining the Mass Choir or liturgical dancers. Click [here](#) to learn more.
- **The Progressive Adults (Love Pal Program):** The Progressive Adults’ Love Pal program supports church members pursuing a college education and has benefitted over 500 students through its bi-monthly stipends and supportive messages. You can lend your support through a donation or as an advisor. Click [here](#) to learn more.

These are just a few ministries that could benefit from your support. Visit our [Giving](#) webpage for ways to give to a church ministry

May the blessings and joy of Christmas be with you this season. Merry Christmas, from your Board of Trustees. ❖

# Homecoming Sunday Was a Special Day!

Nineteenth Street observed our annual Homecoming Sunday Service on October 31. It was a noteworthy day because it was the first Sunday in over 18 months in which the congregation was welcomed to come for in-person worship. It was also special because former pastor, Rev. Dr. Derrick Harkins, was the guest preacher. Following the service, Rev. Harkins and Pastor Darryl Roberts held a Fireside Chat. Both the service and chat were also livestreamed. ❖



# Nineteenth Street Members for 50+ Years

We thank God for the faithful members who have belonged to our church for 50 or more years.  
Thank you to the Archives Committee for maintaining our church records and continuing to document our history.

Shirley G. Ali	Eleanor C. Jefferson	Dorothy J. Morgan	Rachelle F. Washington
Eleanor T. Banks	Denise P. Johnson	Pamela D. Morgan	Mozelle E. Watkins
Myra Banks-Scott	Dennis Leon Johnson	Wendy Diane Morris	Bernard H. White, Jr.
Sidney H. Blakely	Laverne Johnson	Cathy Smith Nunn	E. Louise M. White
Ernest Blakemore, Jr.	Philicia R. Jones	Sandra W. Patterson	Carolyn B. Wilson
Ernestine Blakemore	Jean R. Jordan	Donald B. Rankin	Natalie Q. Winters
Margarette C. Blakemore	Sheila Y. Jordan	Nathaniel Robb	Elvinese Smith Wyche
S. Eugene Byrd	Eugene J. Jordan III	Ella M. B. Roberson	
Sandra Caviness	Laurice P. Juggins	Ann Hayes Saunders	*posthumously
Eunice W. Cothran	Nannie S. Leake	Dorothy M. Sayles	As of 11/22/21
Pearl J. Paige Davis	Ellen Mills Lewis	Karen R. Sidney-Drumgold	
Ora M. S. Drew	Erma Long	Elvera Edmunds Snow	<i>To add your name, please email name and dates of church membership to June L. Jackson, Church Clerk jkljackson@19thstreetbc.org</i>
Lewis M. Edmunds	Rosemary Mills Massey	Gloria T. Spann	
Yvonne T. Gowdy	Josie W. Meeks	Joe W. Sudduth	
Lawrence Bruce Hayes	Sharon O. Miller	Jacqueline Tatum	
Shirley A. G. Hayes	Betty J. Montague	Ronald J. Taylor	
Jean D. Jackson	Jerry A. Moore III	Margie L. Thomas*	
Leola Jackson	Juran D. Moore, Sr.	Inez C. Walker	



# Annual Christmas Bazaar Goes Virtual Again!

*By Trustee Donza M. Poole, Chair of the Building Fund Committee*

The Building Fund Committee (BFC) invites you to join us for our eighth annual Christmas Bazaar on **Sunday, December 12 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** To keep everyone safe from COVID-19, the bazaar will be held virtually on **Zoom**.

We're looking forward to continuing the bazaar tradition and supporting the many vendors the Building Fund Committee has worked with over the years. It is also a chance to help church family and friends "give gifts that give back" this Christmas season.

The bazaar's vendors, mostly women, are small business owners, artists, retirees, entrepreneurs, and creatives. Some are members of Nineteenth Street. And because most are African-American, the bazaar presents an opportunity to support small Black business owners who offer one-of-a-kind gifts, jewelry, accessories, art, and more.

Because the BFC likes to mix it up, this year's Christmas Bazaar will feature a virtual photo booth and a Sip and Chat Room. Grab your favorite hot beverage and take a break from shopping to enjoy good conversation and great fellowship in the main Zoom room, which will also serve as the Sip and Chat Room. Create a new Christmas memory at the virtual photo booth. Wear your favorite Christmas outfit, ugly Christmas sweater, or just come as you are and capture the moment. Don't forget to share your photo!

The BFC is continuing its tradition of featuring a church ministry at the bazaar. This year's featured ministry is the **Helping Hand Club**. Stop by the bazaar to learn more about this

longstanding church ministry. We encourage you to support them through a donation or by answering their call to join or renew your membership in the NAACP, the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, and/or the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH) before the end of the year. Click [here](#) to learn more about the good works of the Helping Hand Club on the church website.

Finally, the BFC's Fair Trade program will return. Since its inception, the bazaar has been a "giving experience" with the BFC aiming to help people "give gifts that give back" by shopping local vendors and supporting other good causes. The BFC's Fair Trade program, where we sell Equal Exchange coffees, teas, chocolates, and more to help raise funds for the church's Capital Improvement Project (CIP), is one such cause. It is an environmentally sustainable way to support small farmers, many from the African diaspora, while also raising funds for the CIP.

We hope to see you at this year's virtual Christmas Bazaar. Please invite your family and friends to join you at this festive event!

**Register** for the Christmas Bazaar today by clicking [here](#). After registering, you'll receive a confirmation email with information about joining the bazaar. If you have a problem registering, please contact the church office at 202-829-2773.

Visit the **Virtual Christmas Bazaar** on the church website.

Save the date and register now! ❖

# Global Missions Ministry Update on Burkina Faso

*By Phillis Walls Cooke, Global Missions Ministry Leader*

Global Missions Ministry allots \$100 monthly (\$200 in December) for support of the Orphans and Vulnerable Children's Program (OVC) in Fada N'Gourma in Burkina Faso. The money is used to meet needs, including food, soap, clothing, program operations, and school supplies for the children. Program director Nadieba Namoussa keeps us updated on the program and how they are using our support. Through Global Missions Ministry, Nineteenth Street provides meaningful prayers and assistance that would otherwise be unavailable to the children and their families.

Here are excerpts from recent correspondence from Nadieba (via Google translate) and pictures taken in October 2021 of the beautiful children receiving school kits enabled by Nineteenth Street. They repeatedly ask for our prayers, and we invite you to pray for them. Our faith teaches us that prayer makes a difference.

*October 11, 2021: My sister, I trust that you are doing well also by the grace of God and that the members of the Church are doing well too. We give thanks to God because with your support we were able to attend 109 OVC and around 50 of them are internally displaced children who have fled to the surrounding villages and others whose parents were killed by terrorists. It was a great joy for us to be able to help these children in very difficult circumstances. This is why we want to once again say thank you and thank you for all your multiple support.*

*Currently in Burkina Faso especially in my region, Fada N'Gourma, it is not easy. There are areas where nobody*

*dares to go because they are areas controlled by terrorists. But we are not losing hope. I would like you to continue to support us in prayer, pray for my country and for my region, please pray for the faithful Christians because in the villages the terrorists want to force them into Islam on the condition that they don't get killed.*

*November 12, 2021: We have received the transfer of a sum of \$200 US. Thank you very much for the invaluable support to the underprivileged children of Burkina Faso. May God bless you and all that you do. A big thank you for your support in prayer for my country and for our region Fada N'Gourma. This not easy but we are counting on the powerful hand of God to stop this terror.*

In this Holy season, we lift up the names of each person in each country where we minister. May God's loving protection and provision surround them. ❖



# Church School Provides Thanksgiving Blessings

By Dorothy Curtis

The sun was shining brightly, and the recipients of Giant gift cards were beaming with joy on November 15 and 18 when the Church School gave out Giant gift cards, just in time for Thanksgiving. Through the generosity of our church family and friends, the

Church School was able to provide Giant cards for 90 families, comprising 433 people.

In this time of uncertainty, we are blessed to be part of a community that believes in sharing its blessings. ❖



## December 3 Is Toys for Tots Deadline

The Missionary Society is again supporting the Marine's Toys for Tots Drive and asks that all contributions be received by Friday, December 3. A marine will come to the church on Sunday, December 5, to collect our donations.

Monetary donations rather than toys are being accepted this year. To contribute to Toys for Tots, please use any of the church's giving options. Be sure to designate that the donation is for the "Toys for Tots" project. Checks should be payable to "Toys for Tots - Marine Foundation," and "Anacostia Division" should be written on the memo line.

Please give generously and soon! Patricia Thomas heads up the Toys for Tots program, and Rosemary Mills Massey is president of the Missionary Society. ❖

## Nineteenth Street Helps NBC4 with Turkey Give-away

NBC4/T44 distributed Thanksgiving turkeys and \$25 Safeway gift cards at Nineteenth Street Baptist Church on Sunday, November 21, and Monday, November 22. More than 100 non-profit organizations, churches, and fraternal organizations came to Nineteenth Street to pick up close to 5,000 turkeys donated by Shady Brook Farms and the gift cards which were donated by Washington Gas Charitable Giving. For partnering with NBC4, Nineteenth Street received 20 turkeys and 50 gift cards for our food pantry. ❖



Save the Date

## 116th Kick-off Celebration of African American History

February 13, 2022

10 a.m.

An inspiring, intergenerational morning worship service

Sponsored by  
The Helping Hand Club Ministry  
and Youth Church

Come dressed in your culturally-appropriate attire.

### *Program Coordinators:*

Deacon Billy and Deaconess Mattie Gay  
The Helping Hand Club Ministry, President Sheila Beale

*Initiate or renew your memberships  
at these websites:*

NAACP  
[naacp.org](http://naacp.org)

Association for the Study of  
African American Life and History  
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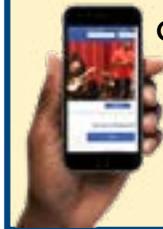
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**Instagram:** [instagram.com/nsbc/dc/](https://instagram.com/nsbc/dc/)

## Pastor Roberts on the Air

Tune into the Coach Butch McAdams Show on Sunday, December 19, at 12:30 p.m. to hear Pastor Darryl Roberts talk about Nineteenth Street ministries and initiatives.

Listen live on radio stations WOL (1450 AM) and MAGIC (95.9 FM) or listen to live radio streaming on a computer or cell phone device by going to [woldcnews.com](http://woldcnews.com). ❖





## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jerry A. Moore III	12/1	Rev. James A. Crosson, Jr.	12/10	Samantha Buggs-Neel	12/18
Patricia C. Thomas	12/1	Deacon Harrison Lightfoot	12/10	Debra Datcher	12/19
Bernadette Swanson-Thomas	12/2	Deaconess Evangeline F. Stevens	12/10	Sandra W. Howell	12/19
Valarie B. Ashley	12/3	William Washington Jr.	12/10	Karen E. Williamson	12/20
Taquanna Bolden	12/3	Deaconess E. Louise White	12/10	William R. Hyde	12/21
John E. Jackson	12/3	Kenneth Martin	12/12	Dorothy Whyte	12/21
Beverly Janine Page	12/3	Bumni Okunola	12/12	Rev. Leslie A. Wiley	12/21
Rev. Darryl D. Roberts	12/3	William Smith	12/13	Erik A. Moses	12/22
Deacon Gerald Young	12/3	Melvin J. Spann	12/14	Nathaniel Slayton III	12/22
Stephanie Sprow Owens	12/4	Sheryll D. Cashin	12/15	Ronald F. Williams	12/22
Allison D. Thomas	12/4	Ashley Lewis Sturdivant	12/15	Kariel McMillan	12/23
Deaconess Jean R. Jordan (92nd)	12/5	Julia V. Clark	12/16	Stephanie M. Thomas-Gordon	12/23
DeVera Y. Redmond	12/6	Stephanie E. Gordon	12/16	Michele Watson	12/29
Billy Wiley	12/6	Opal Hyde	12/16	Renee Bovelle	12/30
Mark Mann	12/7	Odelia McFadden	12/16	Tonya R. Robertson	12/30
Ronald J. Taylor	12/9	Cynthia H. Thompson	12/16		
Deaconess Sandra Caviness	12/10	Stacey Burch	12/17		

*Please notify the church office  
of additions or corrections.*

# December Calendar

## **Wednesday, December 1**

Prayer Conference Call, led by Deaconesses, Noon

## **Thursday, December 2**

Food Pantry, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Prayer Meeting Call, led by Deacons, 6:30 p.m.

## **Saturday, December 4**

Deacon Board Meeting, Zoom and Call-in, 9 a.m.

Music Ministry, In Person Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary, 1 p.m.

Senior Ministry, Three and A Half Acres Yoga, Zoom, 10-11 a.m.

Deaconess Board Meeting, Zoom and Call-in, 10:30 a.m.

## **Sunday, December 5**

Church School, Adult Class, in person and Zoom, 9 a.m.

Worship Service, Communion, Bring Your Own Elements, in person and livestream, 10 a.m.

Youth Church, Zoom, 11:30 a.m.

Church School, Pre-K to Age 10, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

## **Tuesday, December 7**

Intercessory Prayer Call, led by Clergy, 6:30 a.m.

Bible Study with Revs. Darryl Roberts and Cheryl Coleman Hall, livestream, 7 p.m.

## **Wednesday, December 8**

Prayer Conference Call, led by Deaconesses, Noon

Trustee Board Meeting, Zoom, 7 p.m.

## **Thursday, December 9**

Prayer Meeting Call, with Rev. James Crosson preaching, led by Deacons, 6:30 p.m.

## **Friday, December 10**

Women's Ministry Bible Study, Zoom, 7 p.m.

## **Saturday, December 11**

Music Ministry, In Person Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary, 1 p.m.

Building Fund Committee, Meeting, Zoom and Call-in, 11 a.m.

Missionary Society Meeting, Conference call, 12 p.m.

Progressive Adults, Theater Outing, "Seven Guitars," Arena Stage, 2 p.m.

## **Sunday, December 12**

Church School, Adult Class, Zoom, 9 a.m.

Worship Service, in person and livestream, 10 a.m.

Youth Church, Zoom, 10:30 a.m.

Tweens and Teens Church School, Zoom, Noon  
Church School, Pre-K to Age 10, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

Building Fund Committee, Annual Christmas Bazaar, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

## **Tuesday, December 14**

Intercessory Prayer Call, led by Clergy, 6:30 a.m.

Bible Study, Revs. Roberts and Coleman Hall, livestream, 7 p.m.

## **Wednesday, December 15**

Prayer Call, led by Deaconesses, Noon

Helping Hand Club Annual Christmas Project, in person, fellowship hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

R3 Self-Care Series, Part 2, Building Fund Committee & Young Adult Ministry, 7 p.m.

## **Thursday, December 16**

Food Pantry, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Prayer Meeting Call, led by Deacons, 6:30 p.m.

## **Saturday, December 18**

Music Ministry, In Person Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary, 1 p.m.

Senior Ministry, Three and A Half Acres Yoga, Zoom, 10-11 a.m.

## **Sunday, December 19**

Church School, Adult Class, conference call, 9 a.m.

Worship Service, Church School Virtual Christmas Presentation, in person and livestream, 10 a.m.

Church School, Pre-K to Age 10, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

## **Tuesday, December 21**

Intercessory Prayer Call, led by Clergy, 6:30 a.m.

Bible Study, Revs. Roberts and Coleman Hall, livestream, 7 p.m.

## **Wednesday, December 22**

Prayer Call, led by Deaconesses, Noon

## **Thursday, December 23**

Prayer Meeting Call, with Rev. Cheryl Coleman Hall preaching, led by Deacons, 6:30 p.m.

**Friday, December 24** - Christmas Eve, church office closed

**Saturday, December 25** - Christmas Day, church office closed

**Friday, December 31** - New Year's Eve Watch Night Service, TBA

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