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Birthdays

01	Jill Bowen
	Anna Butler
06	Allyn Dyer
07	Sarah Claire Doss
08	Caroline Coleman
	McDonald Law
09	Santonio Carter
	John Clark
	Martha Lyons
10	Knox Bigham
11	Natalie Parish
12	Michael Boyd
	Oliver Brown
14	Kim Green
15	Fionna Chew
16	Charlotte Mellick
19	Cassie Carter
22	Jay Dyer
26	Gabe Zamora
27	David Chew
	Rich Fishel
29	Noah Doss
	Carol Rezzelle
	Gloria Smits
31	Scarlett Linton

You're Invited TO OUR CHRISTMAS SERVICES

The Joy of Christmas: A Service of Lessons & Carols
Sunday, December 21, at 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a time of worship and praise with our Sanctuary Choir, Children's Choir, instrumental ensemble, and congregational carol singing. Be sure to invite your family and friends for this special time of honoring our Savior's birth. Nursery will be provided.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Wednesday, December 24, at 5:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join us on Wednesday, December 24, at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a special Christmas Eve worship service. The service will include the Church Strings and Piano, as well as congregational carol singing, and Rev. Robbie Hendrick will share from the Word. We will conclude the service with singing Silent Night together by candlelight.



STEVE & SHERRI LETCHFORD

SIM
Kenya

Steve and Sherri are medical professionals who have been a part of the African church's hospital ministries in Zambia and Kenya for 26 years. They are passionate about equipping African healthcare professionals to serve Jesus in vulnerable communities.

Steve (MD, Internal Medicine/Pediatrics) now heads SIM's Banda Health ministry, using technology to empower the clinics caring for patients in African slums and villages and ministry partnerships to help their communities address overwhelming social and spiritual realities. (Luke 4.18-19).

Sherri (DPT) is a physical therapist currently involved in mentoring and governance.

Prayer:

Pray for a lawyer and nurse joining the Banda Health team in Nairobi to facilitate Banda's growing number of partnerships with other ministries in slums and villages.

Pray for additional missionary software developers for the Banda Health team and for increased funding to also hire Christian software developers in Kenya.

Pray that many families living in very vulnerable situations will find good healthcare and gospel-shaped hope within walking distance of their homes through the work of the Banda team and our partners.

Thank you for praying for Steve and Sherri's family again this year

Music Ministry News



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Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on December 24, at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join us in the Sanctuary for a special Christmas Eve worship service. The service will include an extended prelude by the Church Strings and Piano, as well as congregational carol singing, and Rev. Robbie Hendrick will share from the Word. We will conclude the service with singing Silent Night together by candlelight.



When Love Came Down: Daily Reading for Advent by Sinclair Ferguson



Love is at the heart of Christmas—it's the reason behind all our gathering and gift-giving at this time of year. In this Advent devotional, Dr. Sinclair Ferguson refreshes our hearts as we reflect on the source of it all—love incarnate, Jesus Christ.

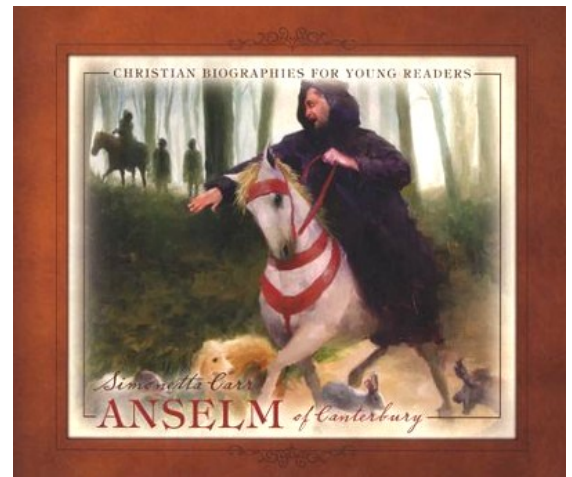
Over the course of December, this devotional walks through 1 Corinthians 13 phrase-by-phrase, showing us that "love is" the Lord Jesus himself.

Dr. Ferguson brings the rich theology of the incarnation to life with his trademark warmth and clarity. Drawing on stories from the Gospels, we'll see what "love" looked like in the life of Christ and be challenged to love like him. Each day's reading finishes with a question for reflection and a prayer.

However, you're feeling weary or frantic, lonely, or lovesick—your heart will be refreshed as you wonder again at the truth that love came down at Christmas in the person of Jesus Christ.

Anselm of Canterbury: Christian Biographies for Young Readers

While he would have preferred the simple, quiet life of the monastery—teaching, reading, thinking, and writing about God—Anselm of Canterbury spent much of his life dealing with powerful kings, consulting with popes, and serving reluctantly as archbishop of Canterbury. Through Anselm's story, Simonetta Carr teaches what life was like in medieval Western Europe. Young readers will learn of the tempestuous relationship between church and state during this era and the significance of Anselm's writings about why God became man and the relationship between faith and reason. Anselm's famous treatise *Cur Deus Homo* (Why the God-Man?) shows unbelievers that, far from being an unfitting and irrational act, God's incarnation as man was a suitable, even a necessary act by which to restore the right relation of God and a human race afflicted by sin.



Youth Ministry



Youth Christmas Party — Wednesday Dec. 10th from 6pm-8pm will be the Youth Christmas Party. This will be a time of fellowship with food, games, and a White Elephant gift exchange. We will be meeting in the Youth House. If you wish to participate in the White Elephant gift exchange, the spending limit is about \$20 maximum. If you wish to attend please RSVP by emailing Jonathan McKenzie (jmckenzie@christchurchpres.org) so we can make sure there is enough food. We look forward to seeing you there!

Trail Life

In November, Trail Life GA-2215 participated in the first East Central Georgia Area Trail Junction on November 7-9 at Pointes West Recreation Area. We joined with other Trail Life troops in the area to fellowship together. The troop conducted the Saturday morning flag raising ceremony. Woodlands Trailmen built and launched water bottle rockets, shot sling-shots, built primitive shelters, and learned basic wood tools and fire making skills. Navigator and Adventurer Trailmen participated in patrol competitions including:

- Search and rescue
- Flagpole building
- Fire building and cooking an egg in a orange peel, and
- Isotope transporter team cooperation game.

The Saturday evening campfire and Dutch oven contest was cancelled due to an approaching storm, but that didn't stop trailmen from making strawberry cobbler and dried apple pie in camp.

Later in the month, we had our Fall Court of Honor where trailmen received recognition for advancement work. There were a number of new members who received their joining awards. Bob Holland, our troops direct service advisor, was our guest for the evening. He promoted a new Trail Life scripture memory program and encouraged all our trailmen to participate and hide the word of God in their hearts.

Upcoming events in December include:

- Flag Retirement Ceremony, 12/8, and
- Lessons and Carols Campfire, 12/15.



American Heritage Girls

Our biggest highlight for the month of November was our campout at AHG Stevens State Park. We were blessed with beautiful weather, delicious food prepared by the girls, fun activities, and sweet fellowship. Girls that attended worked on requirements for the Outdoor Cooking badge, Fire Safety and Fire-Starting Badge, and Camping badge. All girls also participated in two service projects this month - packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and making care packages for Firemen. All of the units are wrapping up the requirements for the Our Heritage Badge, and we will begin working on the Survival Search and Rescue Badge next month. In December we are also looking forward to visiting Columbia County Fire Station #3 and our annual Christmas cookie exchange on December 15th. That will be our last meeting of the year, and we will take a break for the Christmas and New Year holidays, resuming our weekly meetings on Monday, January 5th, 2026.

For more information on registering a girl between the ages of 5-18, or to volunteer, contact Jen Zamora at ahg@christchurchpres.org.



Servants Schedule

Elder Greeters

December 7: Mel Jewett & Mike Boyd
December 14: Charles McClure & John Clark
December 21: John Norkus & John Dunsmore
December 28: Rick Rezzelle & Rich Fishel

House Deacon

Joe Beasley
Gene Gojda
Marion Butler
Lee Carter

Morning Prayer

Communion
Johan Hubenthal
Charles McClure
Derrick Smits

Ushers

December 7: Dan Campbell, Hank Gautreaux, Campbell Bailey
December 14: Gary Cowart, Allen Richardson, Stu Dawley
December 21: Rick Rezzelle, Brady Downs, Darrell Horton
December 28: Ed Russell, Stephen Dyer, Marion Butler

Security

Hank Gautreaux
Marion Butler
Hank Adam Gautreaux
Joshua Doss



DECEMBER

Weekly Sunday Schedule

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship • 6:00 p.m. Worship

Please pray for our CCP supported missionaries.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
			5:00 p.m. Sanc. Ringers 6:00 p.m. Missionary Love Gift Dinner 7:05 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	Andrijana Vacicevic <i>Greg & Julieann</i>	7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer 9:45 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study
	Steven Smith	Masaki Chiba Jonathan Stamberg	Noah & Karleigh Stephens <i>Rick & Betty Aschmann</i>		Child Evangelism Fellowship <i>Kermit & Cheryl</i>	American Heritage Girls Alliance Defending Freedom
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 4:00 AYC Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship	7:00 p.m. Trail Life 7:00 p.m. AHG	6:30 Grovetown Bible Study 7:00 Evans Bible Study	6:00 p.m. Sanc. Ringers 7:05 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	6:30 p.m. Diaconate Meeting 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study	7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer 9:45 a.m. Ladies Bible Study	9:15 Sanc. Choir Rehearsal
Steve & Sherri Letchford	Alliance Defending Freedom Noah & Karleigh Stephens	American Heritage Girls Augusta Care Pregnancy Center	Broad Street Ministries	Child Evangelism Fellow- ship	Heritage Academy	International Link
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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Nathanael & Anne Miller	Institute for Creation Re- search Bob & Andrea Burnham	Jews for Jesus Cheryl Croker	Missionary Care Ministry Chris & Cary Drinkard	Palmer Home for Children David & Maddie Dyer	RUF	Trail Life
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. The Joy of Christ- mas: A Service of Lessons & Carols			5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Can- dlelight Service	Church Office Closed		
Kurt & Pat Nelson	Elisea & Paula Guadagno	Glenn & Sharlene Grubb	Tim & Lana Higginbotham	Steve & Sherri Letchford	Steve & Kellie Merwin	Nathanael Miller
28	29	30	31			
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship						
Doug & Amy Nunziato	Kurt & Pat Nelson	Doug & Amy Nunziato	Rick & Betty Aschmann	David & Erin Pervis	Steven Smith	Jonathan Stamberg



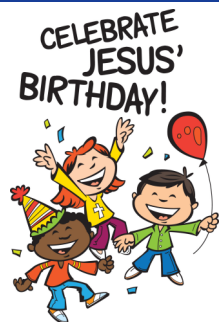
AYC
Augusta Youth Chorale
CHRISTMAS
CONCERT
December 19
6:00 p.m.
Christ Church, Presbyterian
4201 Southern Pines Drive, Evans, GA
Tickets:
www.augustayouthchorale.ludus.com
Proceeds from ticket sales go towards
AYC's Spring Tour.

The Augusta Youth Chorale invites you to their annual Christmas Concert! It will be in our sanctuary on Friday, December 19th at 6:00 p.m. AYC has grown by leaps and bounds this year. We have fifty-five singers, and they sound really great! They'll be singing selections such as O Holy Night, O Magnum Mysterium, Shepherd's Pipe Carol, Silent Night, Polar Express, Carol of the Bells, and more! Some of the youth will be playing instrumental selections as well. This is a ticketed event and proceeds from ticket sales go to fund our Spring Tour. Please consider coming out to support this great organization!

Tickets can be purchased at:
www.augustayouthchorale.ludus.com

Children's Ministry

All children 4 year olds to 5th grade are invited to a Christmas Celebration on Friday, December 12 (6:00 - 8:00 p.m.) in Covenant Hall. We will celebrate the season with a pizza dinner, games, crafts and more! If your child is able to join us please sign up in the Children's Building or email Frances Gojda (childrensministry@christchurchpres.org). Parents, you are of course welcome to stay and join in the fun or you may use those two hours to do some Christmas shopping! We are looking forward to celebrating this wonderful season with you all!

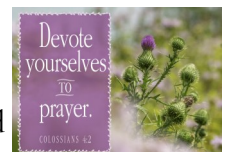


Ladies Online Prayer

*"...in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."
 Philippians 4:6*

Join the ladies of Christ Church as we unite in online prayer twice weekly: Sundays 4:00–5:00 p.m. and Thursdays 7:30–8:15 p.m. (focusing on America).

Contact Charlotte Jewett (cjewett@att.net; 706-731-0191)
 or Maria Russell (edmarmam@gmail.com; 706-726-1703) to receive the online invitations.





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