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"Advent" simply means *coming* as in Christ is coming, and for us now He has arrived. This is referring to His birth in history and in humanity. It meant the welcoming or the arrival of a special king and for us; He is our King of kings. This is what the Old Testament prophecies foretold concerning Jesus' Incarnation, the Word made flesh for our hope and atonement that brought us our deliverance. Advent represents our expectation, anticipation, and preparation for

who Christ is and what He has done for us. He arrived into the world as a human being, being fully God and fully man. He came to identify as one of us, as the *Son of Man*, as a baby born in a manger. He came for us, He came for you and He comes into our lives and into our hearts upon our willingness to receive Him. He is coming again in great power and glory to bring His Kingdom into fruition.



The church office will be closed for Christmas on December 23 & 26. The entire staff wishes you a blessed and joyous Christmas as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

NO Wednesday services or activities will be held on December 28.

New Year's Day is on Sunday, January 1, 2017. Our Sunday morning worship service will be held at 10:00am. There will be no Sunday School or other activities. Plan to start the New year in praise and worship with us. The church office will be closed on Monday, January 2 in observance of New Year's Day.



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*Gate Post deadline is the
15th of each month*

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Joel Warren
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*The Northgate Celebration
Choir will bless us with
special Christmas Music on
Sunday, December 18 @
10:45. Invite your friends.*

Christmas Eve Service



*December 24th
5:00pm*

*Come join us for our Christmas
Eve service and Candlelighting on Saturday,
December 24th. Invite your family and
friends for this very special service.*



**Christmas Day Worship and
New Year's Day Worship
10:00am**

**There will be no Sunday School, Preschool care or Children's Church on
Christmas Day or New Year's Day.
Come worship with us at 10:00am on December 25th and January 1st.**

The Gate Post

Christmas Dinner and Children's Program Wednesday, December 21

Our annual Christmas Dinner and Children's Christmas Program will be held on Wednesday, December 21. The evening will begin with a Christmas dinner at 5:30 p.m. Reservations for dinner will follow the normal way of registration. Our Children's Christmas program will follow in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m.

Kids of all ages are invited to join us for refreshments and a visit from Santa Claus in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the Christmas Program. James Tegeler will lead us in a Christmas sing-a-long during this time of fellowship.



Preschool and Children's Christmas Party

Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the 3's and 4's classroom and in the 3rd and 4th Grade classroom.



Sunday, December 4

If you are interested in dedicating yourselves to raise your child in a Christian home, please contact Ruth Harrison by **December 1**.



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STAND Event: We will go to Gravitopia on Friday, December 2.

Meet at the church at 5:30pm. We will also have dinner and return to the church at 9:30pm. Cost is \$17 per student, and a parent/guardian must sign a waiver for their child to attend.

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Sunday School hallway. **Sign-up by November 30.**



Secret Sister Reveal and Christmas Party

Sunday, December 11

2:00-4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Light refreshments will be served.



December 4 at 5:30pm in the Bryan Whitmire classroom. Come join us in prayer.

Church Conference will be Wednesday, December 7 @ 6:30

to discuss the 2017 budget.

We will vote on the budget, without discussion on Sunday, December 11. Copies of the proposed budget are in the foyer and throughout the church for your review.



**Monday
December 19**

Our guests will be **The Gap Creek Singers**, a community choir, who through 2 concerts every year, raises money for students who are going to take music as their major in college. They also sing when invited at churches, malls and special events. **Come to our December Joy Club and enjoy them singing Christmas music. You don't want to miss this!!**

All are invited for this time of great food and fellowship together. Come join us!

For reservations contact Judy Rothfuss at 864-233-1099 no later than Thursday, December 15.



We open on Sunday @ 9am and at 5:30pm on Wednesday.

"Every December we can look back and marvel at the designs of God and realize how very little we are in control of the events that shaped the past year. Then, with hearts full, look to the celebration of that silent, holy night, and all its certainty. Because of Christmas, this we know: Christ was born for us. He is love, and the plans He has for us always surpass those of our own." – Karen Kingsbury

**Blessings at Christmas from the
Library Ministry**

Thank You notes have been received from:

**Mills & Danette Hunter and Family;
The Glenn Walls Family**



We share our sympathies with:

Laverne Walls and family on the passing of Glenn. Continue to remember them in your prayers.



**2016 Week of Prayer for International
Missions is December 4-11.**

Northgate's Lottie Moon Christmas Offering goal is \$10,000. The SBC National goal is \$175 Million.

THE GOSPEL RESOUNDS !!

I Thessalonians 5:17: Never stop praying.

Pray about what the Lord would have you to give. Special prayer inserts and envelopes will be in your bulletin on Sunday, December 4. You may also make a donation in memory or in honor of a loved one or friend. Forms will be available in upcoming bulletins. A donations list will be in the December 25th bulletin.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thank you to everyone who has donated items and given money for postage throughout this year for Operation Christmas Child. Also, thank you to all who came and helped pack the boxes and deliver them. We packed 240 boxes! Praise God. You will be blessed for giving. Pray for the children who will receive the boxes.



**GROW will not meet in
December and January.
We will resume
on February 6.**

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