



This Sunday at 10:00am our youth will be presenting their Christmas musical, The Bethlehem Project. They have been working hard for months to get it just right. Come and enjoy. Many thanks to Linda Gillis, Dawn Houseworth, Fran Tanner, Sarah Gillis, Bob Gillis, the entire cast & choir, (*and the Grace of God*) for making this production happen!

Please plan on staying for our birthday party for Jesus in Madden Hall. The food will be great! And remember to bring gifts of warm hats, scarves, and gloves for the guests at Sister Jean's Kitchen.

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The Cents-Ability Offering will be received Sunday. Please use the lunch containers at the doors to the sanctuary for your donations to help the hungry locally and throughout South Jersey.

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Parsel's Funeral Home has gifted us with an ample supply of 2013 calendars. Be sure to pick one up in the vestibule on Sunday.

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Please take note of the special envelopes in your pew racks.

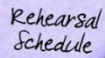
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Addicted₂Jesus (A₂J)



There is no A₂J scheduled this week. Enjoy the presentation of The Bethlehem Project and see you next week.

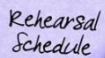
December 16th is our Christmas Grab Bag. Stay for brunch and meet in the senior high class room for our Christmas party at 11:15 am. Please bring a wrapped gift with a value of \$10 and a dessert item to share.



Rehearsal
Schedule

A₂J youth participating in the The Bethlehem Project Musical and will need to attend the remaining rehearsals. A₂J youth are required to attend the following rehearsals: Friday, 12/7 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, 12/8 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Please see notes in The Bethlehem Project section for further information. Please contact Linda Gillis on her home phone 573-5279 or her cell 533-5187 if you are unable to attend a rehearsal.

Christmas Musical: The Bethlehem Project



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Only two rehearsals are left before the presentation of The Bethlehem Project. The rehearsals are mandatory and scheduled as follows: Friday, 12/8 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 12/8 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Pictures will be taken at Friday's rehearsal for those that missed the photo opportunity. Please contact Linda Gillis on her home phone 573-5279 or her cell 533-5187 if you are unable to attend a rehearsal or have any questions.



Children arrive at church on Sunday, December 9th at 8:30 am for a continental breakfast in Madden Hall. Girls should wear leggings or sweat pants and a solid colored top without graphics. Hair should be worn long and no pony tails. Boys should wear solid color cotton sweat pants (no nylon fabric as it makes a swish noise) or black jeans and a solid color tee shirt with no logo or graphic art. The children may choose to wear sandals (NO flip flops) or go barefoot (obviously socks and shoes for arrival/departure from church). Changing into costumes will start at 9 am after a bathroom break. Parents, please stay nearby to assist your child. There will be no food or drink after they are in their costumes. Head gear will be fixed by Mrs. Gillis for a uniform look among the cast. Children need to be seated in the reserved pews as assigned by 9:50 am.



Join us after the presentation of The Bethlehem Project to celebrate Jesus' birthday. The birthday party is a pot luck luncheon. Lions and Lambs will be selling cupcakes to decorate for dessert as a fundraiser. Proceeds are to benefit Sister Jean's kitchen.

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CUPCAKES for SALE!!! Lion and Lambs cupcake fundraiser is taking place during Jesus' Birthday party in Madden Hall. Each table will receive a cupcake platter and donation jar for Sister Jean's kitchen when the children are summoned to their festivities shortly after they eat

lunch. The children will be donating and decorating their own cupcakes at a cupcake decorating table. Much thanks to the parents that prepared these baked goods, and much thanks to all for your continued support in Jesus' ministry to feed the hungry. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS!!!

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Our Monthly Monday Lunch is next Monday.

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Gifts for the Angel Tree are due back Sunday, Dec. 16. All gifts will be delivered the following day!

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The Evergreens Christmas Lunch is Wednesday. Don't forget! Van will leave the church at 11:30.

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Next Thursday is our day to help make PB & J sandwiches for Sister Jean's Kitchen. More volunteers are needed! *The recipe is easy, but help is available to walk you through if need be.* Sign up in the vestibule for any 2nd Thursday (9:00am).

Our serving crew will take them to the kitchen that day. The van will leave by 11:45 as they have begun serving a little earlier.

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Join us for a good time singing Christmas carols at 6:00pm on "Happy Friday", December 14. The words will be on a screen with the bouncing ball. We all will sing together; bring the kids. As usual bring a dish of your choice for our meal. See you there. Let's show our holiday spirit through our singing.

~ V. Abelson

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December 16 is a Brunch Sunday. The second service will begin at 11:15.

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Our memorial candlelight service is next Sunday, Dec. 16, at 3:30.

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Christmas Caroling will be on Sunday, Dec. 23. Meet at the church at 5:30. We have a lot of stops to make.

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The Holland Family has been asked to present a Christmas Concert at the Margate Community Church on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 3:00pm. Refreshments will follow. All are welcome for a donation of \$15. Any questions – call Margate Community at 822-7147.

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Please Remember in Prayer

June Waters
Ruth Eberhard
Christmas Stresses
Those who continue to struggle following the storm

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This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday *Cents-Ability Offering*
8:45 Continental Breakfast
10:00 Worship
11:30 Lunch and Birthday Party for Jesus

6:30 Advent Study

Monday

11:00 Monthly Monday Luncheon

12:45 Bible Study

6:00 Senior Youth

Tuesday

Wednesday

12:00 Evergreens Christmas Luncheon at Smithville Inn

6:30 Sarah Circle

Thursday

9:00 PB & J

10:00 Martha Circle

11:45 Serve at Sister Jean's

6:30 Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:45 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

6:00 "Happy Friday"

Saturday