HOLIDAY HILL CHURCH DECEMBER 2021



A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6

We now enter the blessed season of Christmas. Christmas reminds us that God is in charge, and that from the beginning He developed a plan to rescue you, me, and all of mankind from sin's grip. Christmas reminds me there is hope, not just a fleeting hope in something without substance, but a secure hope, based on the life, crucifixion, death, and resurrection of Jesus, the Messiah. Christmas reminds us that there is expectation, an expectation that just as Jesus came as a baby, that one day, as our victorious, risen Lord, He will come again. Amidst the hubbub, busyness, commercialism, and sometimes even disappointment and sadness, of the Christmas season, let us focus ourselves on the Messiah who came from God on our behalf.

Our mission is to *intentionally engage the world with the love* of *Christ*, and the Christmas season presents many opportunities to do so. We have events throughout the season: Young @ Heart Christmas Party, December 10th; Creation to the Cross walk-through, December 18th and 19th; Christmas Eve Service, Friday, December 24th; and an Advent focus weekly in our worship services. For some reason, at Christmas many people are more open to attend events at church, so take the opportunity to invite family, friends, and neighbors.

Christmas also gives us the opportunity to be generous with the blessings we have received from God. On Sunday, December 19th, a benevolence offering will be taken to meet the needs of those in our community and city. Throughout December we can give to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. This is one of the ways we as a church support missionaries around the world as they intentionally engage others with the love of Christ. Weekly in December, and every week of the year, we can tithe and give to the ministry of our church to enable us to have the impact in our community, city, and world as God designed. In participating, inviting, and giving, may you experience the joy, peace, and hope of the baby who came for you.

A shout out to Stephen T and his work and leadership on our new church logo. The logo represents well who we are and hopefully will help those in our community and city identify with us and our mission. If you have yet to grab a sticker, please do and consider placing it on your vehicle.

In Christ, Pastor Albert

2022 Proposed Budget

Copies of the proposed budget will be available in the lobby on Wednesday, December 1. If you have questions please contact a member of the Stewardship Team: Michelle Miller, Steve Dennis, Kathy Shay, Danny Shelton, Barbara Swank, Mike Thoburn

APPROVE 2022 BUDGET WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 6:30 PM No Discussion

OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 23, 27, 30 & JANUARY 3

NO WEDNESDAY SERVICES DECEMBER 22 & 29

Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship Team Rehearsal 9:15 am

> Morning Worship 11.00 am

Wednesday Services All Ministries Begin at 6:30 pm

Adult Bible Study

Youth Bible Study 6th - 12th Grade

Children's Ministry Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Preschool Ministry Birth through Pre-K



LIFE LINE SCREENING

Holiday Hill Baptist Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on 12/15/2021. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. There are three ways to register for this event: Call 1-866-229-0469 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979



Regardless of your age, if you consider yourself YOUNG AT HEART, please join us for our

Christmas Luncheon & Games

DECEMBER 10, 11:30am **Fellowship Hall**

PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE FOYER!

All you need to bring is your favorite salad to share and a White Elephant gift that is in a drawer or closet that you no longer want.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 6:30 PM | \$5.00 PER PERSON Menu: Grilled burgers, chips, and soda or water

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JOSH'S WORLD

Christmastime always starts a much heated debate - when is the appropriate time to play Christmas music? Some people wait until after Thanksgiving. Others are just wrong. My wife begins her Christmas music regimen in early October.



Seriously. What's your favorite Christmas song? Traditional? Modern? Religious? Secular? Why is it "Mary Did You Know?", and have you listened to anything else by Pentatonix?

The good news, aside from THE good news, is that we have survived a challenging 2021. The new "roaring twenties" did not turn out as expected, but it is still early. In the meantime sip your warm peppermint mocha, take a deep breath, and listen to your favorite Christmas music. God is in the redemption business and I don't think He's taking a break. Here's to 2022! See you next year.

In Him, Josh Micah 6:8