



Geist Christian Church E-News December 23, 2021

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Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship Times

"And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn." Luke 2:7

The long-awaited Messiah has been born and on him the light shines. It's up to us to open the doors of our lives and to say "yes" and "welcome" to the Messiah. We are each invited home to the heart of God as a closed door becomes open to new possibilities.



All services close with the passing of the Christ light and Silent Night

Mud Creek Campus

- 3:00 pm - Children and Family Service (In-person only)
 - 5:00 pm - Youth and Family Service (In-person & online)
 - 7:00 pm - Service of Lessons and Carols (In-person & online)
 - 9:00 pm - Service of Candlelight and Communion (In-person & online)
 - 11:00 pm - Service of Candlelight and Communion (In-person only)
- Stream available Mud Creek Campus online services [here](#).

Promise Road Campus

- 1:30 pm - Service of Candlelight and Communion (In-person only)
 - 5:30 pm - Children and Family Service with Candlelight and Communion (In-person & online)
 - 7:30 pm - Service of Candlelight and Communion (In-person & online)
- Stream available Promise Road Campus online services [here](#).

Celebrate at one of the services offered at both campuses on December 24. All are invited as we worship together and prepare for the soon-to-arrive Christ child.

Share this graphic with your friends and family to invite them to come to Geist Christian Church with you on Christmas



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Worship Sunday, December 26, 2021



Mud Creek Campus

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." John 1:5

Unlike Matthew and Luke, John tells a very different birth story. For many of us we have grown accustomed to characters such as Shepard and Wise men and a scene that takes place in Bethlehem in a manger. John on the other hand takes a very symbolic approach to the birth of Jesus. He uses words such as light, glory, and truth to introduce the reader to this majestic and mysterious event of Jesus' birth.

In-person worship 9:00 am and 10:30 am.
Live stream the 10:30 service by [going here.](#)



Promise Road Campus

"When they had finished everything required...they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom, and the favor of God was upon him." *Luke 2:39-40*

Children grow up so fast, especially when it comes to Jesus. It seems like yesterday he was a baby in a manger and now he is a tween. Soon, he will be an adult. Let's put some flesh on the bones of those silent years. Let's think of Jesus as one of us, needing everything we have needed. These silent years of Jesus tell us much about how God works.

In-person worship 9:00 am and 10:00 am.
Live stream the 10:00 am service by [going here.](#)

Serve

Tornado Relief

The devastation following the tornado activity on the weekend of December 17 is massive. The best way to help right now is by giving a monetary gift. We encourage you to consider giving through our denominational Week of Compassion office. If you specify that the gift is for tornado relief, then 100% of your gift will be sent to help families in those areas affected by the tornadoes. You can donate through Geist Christian Church by [going here.](#)



The Warming Tree

- Now - January 16
- Mud Creek Campus & Promise Road Campus

During cold winter days, there are many in the community looking for proper protection from the elements. To help those most in need, donate new gloves/mittens, hats, scarves, earmuffs, etc. for men, women, and children. Both campuses will have a bare Christmas tree that will be available for decorating with these much needed items. Let us warm the tree, as we warm the community.

Sanctuary Flowers at the Mud Creek Campus Needed for January 2022



The online Sanctuary Flower Chart is now available for 2022. The cost is \$80 per bouquet and may be given in honor or in memory of family, friends, and events. Donations of bouquets are especially needed for the month of January.

Sign up for your bouquet by [going here](#).

Give

Year-End Giving

To be deductible in 2021, contributions must be placed in the offering plate during worship on December 26, 2021. Mailed contributions must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2021. Stock transfers and Online gifts must be made by December 31, 2021. You may also drop off contributions in person at the Mud Creek Campus church office until Friday, December 31, 2021 at noon.

Pastors Class Baptism

Congratulations to the Pastors Class students that were baptized Saturday, December 18 and Sunday, December 19.

Saturday, December 19

Lila Dietrich
Braydon Kerr
Amelia Pearson
Corbin Pearson
Simon Smith
Miriam Brown
Allyssa Berfield
Cole Everette
Joshua Krimmel
Sam Sloan

Sunday, December 20

Ava Gulden
Peyton Johnson
Samantha Pepmeier
Allison Arambula
Libby Dixon
Luke Dixon
Jacob Lannen
Harper Riesterer

Save the Dates for 2022!

Annual Meeting

- Sunday, January 23 at 7:00 pm
- Mud Creek Campus and Zoom

Members of Geist Christian Church are invited to join the in-person/virtual Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 23 at 7:00 pm. This will be held at the Mud Creek Campus, and a link will be available for those who would like to attend virtually on a Zoom Webinar. (Unlike Zoom meetings, the Webinar allows only speakers to be seen and heard, but members online will have the ability to ask questions and vote on issues.)

New Small Group Ministry

Geist Christian is kicking off a Small Group ministry in the new year. On the evening of **Wednesday, January 26**, participants will share dinner together in the gym at the Promise Road Campus and will be committing to several small group gatherings through the Lenten season of people they may or may not know already. Look for dinner and small group registration after the first of the year.

A Weekend of Wine for Some ~ Compassion for All

- Saturday, February 26, 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm
- Old Oakland Golf Club, 11611 E. 75th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46236

A night to remember with wine, food, and music to raise funds for Week of Compassion, the relief, refugee, and development mission fund of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Tickets: \$50/person. The silent auction supports the Geist Christian Church youth mission trips.

- Sunday, February 27 - Guest Preacher Rev. Vy Nguyen, Executive Director of Week of Compassion is giving the message.
- 9:00 am at the Mud Creek Campus and 10:00 am at the Promise Road Campuses

Church Office Holiday Closings

Due to the holidays, the church office will be closed:

Monday, December 27

Friday, December 31 - Office Closes at 12:00 noon

Monday, January 3

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