



## Geist Christian Church E-News December 22, 2022

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### Christmas Eve—Saturday, December 24



*"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 NRSV).*

This is the holiest of nights, an event that changes the course of human history. The carol "O Holy Night" proclaims, "O Holy Night! The stars are brightly shining. It is the night of the dear Savior's birth! What does the gift of a savior mean for you and for the world?"

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### Christmas Eve Service Times

#### Mud Creek Campus

3 pm Children and Family Service  
5 pm Family Service  
7 pm Lessons and Carols  
9 pm Sermon  
11 pm Sermon

#### Promise Road Campus

1:30 pm Acoustic Christmas Service  
5:30 pm Children and Family Service  
7:30 pm Contemporary Christmas Service

# Christmas Day—Joint Service

## Mud Creek Campus, 10:30 am

On Sunday, December 25, you are invited to join in a special all church worship service. There will be ONE worship service across both campuses. Join us at the Mud Creek Campus at 10:30 am for this Christmas worship service. There will be no worship services at the Promise Road Campus on this day.



*"When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child..." (Luke 2:17).*

Christmas morning! What we have been waiting for has arrived. Jesus is born. The shepherds were some of the first to welcome Jesus into the world. They couldn't keep quiet about what they experienced. Neither should we.

## Other Worship

### Sunday, January 1, 2023—New Year's Day

**Mud Creek Campus:** We hope you will join us for the 9 am and 10:30 am worship services at the Mud Creek Campus on January 1.

**Promise Road Campus:** We hope you will join us for the 10 am worship service at the Promise Road Campus on January 1. Please note, there will be no 9:02 am service at the Promise Road Campus that day.

## Connect

### **Sacred Sitdowns: New Episode with Judy Apple-VanAlstine**

A new episode of *Sacred Sitdowns* is out with Geist Christian Church member Judy Apple-VanAlstine. Judy is an educator, author, and thinker. She is retired from a long career in teaching and administration and currently serves on the board of trustees at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. She has been a member of Geist Christian Church for 15 years and is one of the wonderful spiritual teachers at Geist. She also has served on the board of Geist and as an elder. Enjoy this conversation between Kyle, Danny, and Judy.

[Here is the direct link to the podcast!](#)



**Sacred Sitdowns**

Let us tell you a story!

## Service

### Season of Giving: Christmas!

Thank you to all who made this year's congregation-wide effort a tremendous success! We have provided Christmas gifts for children as well as food for nearly 120 families. Well done, church.



### Warming Tree

It's getting cold, and there are many in our community looking for proper protection from the elements. To help those most in need, help decorate the Season of Giving Christmas Tree with donations of new gloves/mittens, hats, scarves, earmuffs, etc. for men, women, and children. Donations will be delivered after Sunday, January 8, 2023.



## Children & Youth

**There will not be a worship service at the Promise Road Campus this Sunday, December 25th.**

### GCC Kids—Mud Creek Campus

- Sunday School at 9 am and 10:30 am
- Nursery open for children 6 weeks to 3 years old in room 202 (Nursery)
- Sunday school has moved to Pastor Crystal's classroom (209 near Altered)

### GCC Kids—Promise Road Campus

- Childcare for children 6 weeks through 3 years old at both worship services, located in Room 106 in the Children's Wing
- Sunday School at 10 am for ages 4-4th grade
- Kindergarten will be in Room 108 and children 1st-4th grade in Room 110.

## Other

### Year-End Giving Reminder

To be deductible in 2022, contributions must be placed in the offering plate during worship at either campus by December 25, 2022, or dropped off in person at the Mud Creek Campus office until noon on Friday December 30, 2022. Mailed contributions must be postmarked by December 31, 2022. Stock transfers and online gifts must be made by December 31, 2022.

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## Sanctuary Flower Sign-Up Now Available for 2023

Each week, two bouquets enhance our worship space at the Mud Creek campus. Flowers can be given in honor, in memory, or celebration of someone or an event. The new cost of a bouquet is \$70. If interested, contact Lori Kline at [lori.kline@geistchristian.org](mailto:lori.kline@geistchristian.org) or 317.842.3594 ext 489, or you can sign up in the Great Hall.

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## Thank You to the Congregation

The staff of Geist Christian Church wishes to thank the congregation for their generosity with staff Christmas gifts. It is truly appreciated, and it is a blessing to serve in this place.

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