

Children's Workers

December 22: Nursery – *Abby Hartman* Toddlers – *Tara Finlay*

December 29: Nursery – *Katie Martin* Toddlers – *Ella Kate Martin*

Children's Church Leaders

December 22: *Karrie Harmer*

December 29: *Jessica Karius*

Diaconate House Duty for December: *Randy Moore*

Ushers for December: *Randy Waters, Matt Scholten, Allen Miller, & Dan Dunham*

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER:

Today, December 22:	9:00 am	Sunday School for All Ages
	9:55 am	Fellowship Time
	10:30 am	Morning Worship
Monday, December 23:	6:00 pm	Prayer Meeting & Fellowship
	9:30 am	Jeanne's Sewing Group
Tuesday, December 24:	10:00 am	Women's Prayer Group
	6:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service
Wednesday, December 25:	Christmas Day – Office Closed	

Announcements

Please pray for these Westminster Families this week: **Phil Motes, Gary & Darlene Mullen, Rich Nelligan, Dan & Anne Nielsen** and please pray for **Jay & Nancy Matsinger**, with Greater Europe Mission, (GEM) serving from the US.

The Westminster Christmas Post Office has sorted all of the Christmas Cards "mailed" to church members and visitors. Please check the tables in the narthex for your stack of cards. Thank you to everyone who participated this year.

The **Budget Status Report** through **November 30, 2024** is now available in the narthex.

The **Christmas Eve Service** will be on Tuesday, December 24th at 6:00 pm. We hope you and your family will join us!

MERRY
Christmas

4th Sunday Advent Readings: Lighting the Angels' Candle

Joshua, Kay Cee, Hazel & Peter Ling

Pastor: The fourth purple candle reminds us of the angels as they prepared people for the coming Christ-Child.

2nd Reader: *The angel Gabriel told a virgin named Mary the wonderful news of the birth of the Messiah. "You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; His kingdom will never end." Luke 1:31-33*

Pastor: "This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins.'" Matthew 1:18-21

2nd Reader: *A "multitude of the heavenly hosts" celebrated the birth of Christ as they shared the news with the humble shepherds.*

Congregation: "And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, 'Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.'" Luke 2:8-14

Pastor: Let's pray.

