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Gingerbread Houses 2008



Lots of kids, big and small, had fun Sunday afternoon!



Thanks to **Kitty Snow** for providing this holiday treat!

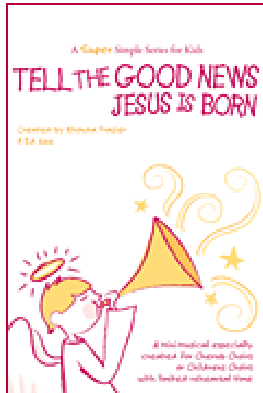
Note: Gingerbread houses will be used as decorations at church this Sunday night. Children may pick up their creations anytime after the Holiday Dinner event.



Ninety lovely poinsettias will be in church this Sunday in honor and memory of loved ones and friends.



The church is all decorated for Christmas thanks to **Gina Thompson** and the great people who assisted her:
Beth & Ken Paul, Rachel Boothe, and Joan Hudson



This Sunday, Dec. 7, 11:00

AM

The Cherub

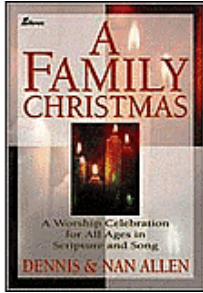
Choir presents

**Tell the Good
News, Jesus is Born**

**and the Children's Choir
presents songs from**

**A Stranger in the
Manger**





Sunday, Dec. 14 – 11:00 AM



The Adult Choir & dramatists present...

A Family Christmas

a worship celebration for all ages

Familiar carols and Christmas songs, and you can sing along, too. Bring family, neighbors, and friends



Holiday Dinner!



This Sunday, Dec. 7, 6:00 PM

A great time to get together with church friends!

Turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, rolls & drinks provided... please bring vegetable dishes & desserts

Most importantly, bring family, friends & neighbors!



Children's Mission Project

Infant Care Kits

If you can donate an item or items from the list below for the Children's Mission Project, contact Stephanie Hancock, 639-6091. The **Friends of Barnabas Foundation** will deliver them to poor families with babies in Honduras.

Items are needed by this Saturday morning,
Dec. 6
cloth diapers onesies
infant pacifiers
diaper pins receiving blankets small
soft toys
diaper rash ointment caps
baby powder
infant vitamin drops socks/booties
wash cloths



Spraker-Snow Open House...

everyone invited!

Saturday, Dec. 13, 3:00 – 8:00 PM

3010 Mount Hermon Road



Mount Hermon Cookbooks

make nice Christmas presents – **only \$12.50**

Happy Birthday this Week!

Dec 7 - Matthew Nichol

Dec 7 - Gary Carpenter

Dec 10 - Ruth Hall

Dec 10 - Brad Eungard

Dec 10 - Betsy Smith

Dec 10 - Kelly Agren

Dec 13 - Judy Mout

Wednesday, Dec. 10 -- No dinner or activities

Choir & dramatists rehearse – **7:00 PM**

Sundays

Children's Church

Dec. 7 - (no Children's Church on this Sunday)

Dec. 14 - Marci Nichol, Lindsey Mann, Darian Spivey

Nursery Care

Dec. 7 - Amie & Chris Edwards, Lindsey Matthews

Dec. 14 – helpers needed, Kim Robben

Ushers

Dec. 7 - Levis Crump, Rachel Boothe, Bob Lanier,
Barry Flora, Mitchell Hauser

Dec. 14 - Ken Paul, Bill Hall, Anne Cox,
Ray Fleming, Charles Payne

Quotes for Today

Rule of thumb: As a rule, keep your thumbs away from hammers.

-- Mark T. Shirey

The winds and waves are always on the side of the ablest navigators.

-- Edward Gibbon

I get up every morning determined to both change the world and have one heck of a good time. Sometimes this makes planning my day difficult.

-- E. B. White

Sunday – November 30, 2008

Worship	131	Contributions	\$ 2,748.28
Sunday School	53	Avg. weekly needs	4,009.00
Building Fund	\$120.00		

Nov. receipts:	\$15,282.87	Given to date:	\$ 168,477.05
Nov. expenses:	15,155.92	Avg. Budget needs:	192,432.00

New and Updated Prayer Concerns...

- **Dorothy Brownley**, Westport Health Care Center, room 217
- **Mary Katherine Causey**, now at the Laurels of Willow Creek
- **Agnes Callahan**, home from hospital and doing much better
- **Sympathies to Mike Garber & family** in the death of his aunt, Mary Ann Foster, Nov. 28
- **Gracie Opp**, two-year old daughter of friends of Bill & Felice Hall, having heart surgery in Rochester, NY, on Tuesday

From the Pastor

Less is More

Yes, the U.S. and world economies have contracted lately, but are things as bad as the hype of media portray? For those who have lost jobs or retirement nest eggs, yes. For the vast majority of Americans, the only difference in is in their feelings. When fear, pessimism, and worry take over, people think they are worse off, even if they really aren't.

Our boss says not to worry about it. Check out **Matthew 6:25-34** to see what Jesus thinks of material wealth. Search every gospel and you find that the Model Human Being is completely indifferent to possessions and things. Those who follow Jesus consider all our "stuff" garbage compared to the true wealth of living a fulfilling life for God through Christ.

We are all ridiculously well off compared to most people alive today, and especially compared to all of human history. When at our best, we hold lightly to things and grasp tightly to the ways of God. The less we have, the more time and reason there is to trust God. The less we concern ourselves with wealth, the fewer distractions there are to experiencing Him.

Advent makes us think about what is important. God's gift to the world is not money... it's a person: Jesus, the Christ.

In His love,

Lee

**Worship – December 7, 2008
Second Sunday of Advent**

Call to Worship Adult Handbell Choir

"On This Day, Earth Shall Ring"

Scripture Micah 5:2,4-5 Lee Thompson

Invocation

Advent Candle of Peace video

Lighting the Candle of Peace

Advent Song: "Silent Night"

* Praise Song 105 "Child in a Manger"

* Greeting each other...

Welcome and Church Highlights

The Bible Says Luke 2:1-7

* Offering Song 107 "O Come, Little Children"

* Offering Statement & Prayer Lee Thompson

Children's Handbell Choir:

Jesus Loves Me, The Doxology, Away in a Manger

Cherub Choir presents

Tell the Good News, Jesus is Born

Children's Choir presents songs from

A Stranger in the Manger

*** Commitment Song 103 “Away in a Manger”**

*** Adult Handbells “Silent Night, Holy Night”**