



December 3, 2023 • 10:00 AM

Today's Message:
Stellar Christmas
Children's Program

10:00 AM
WORSHIP SERVICE
December 3, 2023

Call to Worship

Announcements

Friendship Greeting

Stellar Christmas Program

Light of the World

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Offering

What Child Is This?

Special Music by Jennie Cully

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Special Music by Jennie Cully, Evangelina Deans,
Joel Hertlein, & Hannah Hertlein

God of the Stars

Kids' Prayer

Turn Your Eyes

This Little Light of Mine

Benediction



JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM: THE SERIES

Week #2: *Stellar Christmas*

December 3rd, 2023 – Our CTAC Kids

Shine Jesus' Light!

Notes & Comments:



Welcome to our Kids Christmas Program -
Stellar Christmas!

***Join us today as we learn to Shine Jesus' Light
and we celebrate the birth of our savior!***

Mary – Corinne Kurek

Joseph – Will Berger

The Angel – Willow Kurek

The Shepherds – Josiah Deans

Gavin Swaney

Wiseman #1 – Andy McCracken

Wiseman #2 – Jeremiah Deans

Wiseman #3 – David Freeman

Cosmo the Star – Jill Berger

Ringo the Planet – Silas Freeman

Luna the Moon – Evelyn Kim

Sol the Sun – Jonah Hertlein

Hal the Comet – Noah Hertlein

Tax Collectors – Gavin Swaney

Andy McCracken

The Donkey – Brody Burnsworth

The Chicken – Carly McCracken

The Camel – Abram Freeman

The Pig – Paisley Burnsworth

The Sheep – Paige Barnes

Layla Higinbotham

Hayden Keefer

Paxton Keefer

The Puppies – Ava Barnes

Isabella Smith

Reader #1 – David Freeman

Reader # 2 – Bella Keefer

Reader # 3 – Isaac Hertlein

Reader # 4 – Josiah Deans

Reader # 5 – Gavin Swaney

Reader # 6 – Jill Berger

***Church Family: We welcome you to join us in the Fellowship
Hall following this morning's service for light refreshments!***

**Please note: our communion service for December
will be held next Sunday, December 10th.**

Angel Tree - Gifts Due TODAY

Please note: if you took a tag from the angel tree, these
gifts are due back to church **TODAY, December 3rd.**

Please bring your gift, wrapped (using gift bags / tissue
paper ONLY please!) & with your child's ornament
attached to the outside. If your gift will be late,
please contact Marnie Williams.





Thanksgiving Offering

Please note that **TODAY, December 3rd** is the last day to donate to our Thanksgiving offering for the Fayette County Community Action Food Bank. All money received through the offering in your colored "Thanksgiving" envelopes & regular envelopes clearly labeled "Thanksgiving" will go to support this cause.

You may also give online by selecting the Fund as "Other" and indicating "Thanksgiving" in the Memo/Note field.

Soul Sisters

Our next Soul Sisters meeting will be held at CTAC this Thursday, **December 7th** at 6:30 PM. Please bring a new wrapped gift valued at \$5 for our gift exchange game (if you bring a gift, you will go home with a gift. If you choose not to participate, that's ok too).



If you would like to participate in the cookie exchange, please bring 3 dozen cookies of your choosing (homemade if possible). If you did not sign up for this part of the event at the last meeting, please call Luann to let her know what kind of cookies you would like to make, to avoid duplicate kinds.

We will read the Christmas story from the Bible and play some fun games. Please bring a *festive* snack to share & come prepared for some great fellowship!



Men's Small Group

Our next men's small group meeting will be held here at Cherry Tree Alliance this Saturday, **December 9th**. The meeting is from 8:00 - 10:00 AM and will include breakfast and a time of study based on the book *Beautiful Outlaw* by John Eldredge. Please sign up at the bulletin board in the foyer.

Two of our youth will be baptized in the Sunday morning worship service on December 17th. If anyone else (of ANY age!) wishes to be baptized that morning, please reach out to Pastor Joshua at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

Advent Brunch

You are invited to an Advent Brunch on Sunday, **December 17th** following the 10:00 AM worship service. Please sign up in the foyer if you would like to attend. We look forward to celebrating the Christmas season with you!



If anyone would like to express appreciation for our pastors who have stepped up & helped care so well for our church during this time of transition, there will be a card basket in the foyer until the end of the year.

Capacity Announcements

Capacity: Wednesdays, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM / 6th-12th Grade
Please contact Pastor Joshua with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.



Capacity Christmas Party - The Capacity Christmas Party will be **December 20th** from 6:00 - 9:00 PM (please note the time change for this evening). We will have a \$5 gift exchange & students are encouraged to wear their best Christmas pajamas for our annual Capacity Christmas fashion showcase!

Capacity WINTER JAM 2024 Trip - Capacity will be traveling to the Petersen Events Center the night of **January 19th** for the annual Winter Jam Concert! If a student 6th -12th grade would like to join, please reach out to Pastor Joshua as soon as possible as we are already making travel plans! Winter Jam cost is a \$15 donation at the door.



Christmas Services

Christmas Eve Morning Service
Sunday, **December 24th** at 10:00 AM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Sunday, **December 24th** at 6:30 PM

Please join us for a time of worship to celebrate our Savior's birth!

Capital Campaign Launch

We are launching a capital campaign for a needed upcoming purchase of a new church van. We have ordered a van for approximately \$65,000, which will take at least one year to arrive from the manufacturer.



As we wait, we need to begin collecting funds for this expense. The dealership has agreed that if we do not have the needed funds when the van arrives, we do not have to take it; however, we want to avoid this as we would likely then have to go back on the waitlist for ordering a vehicle. **To contribute to this fund, please mark your offering envelopes or online donation "Van."**

We thank you for your support!



Christmas Card Exchange

Are you planning to send Christmas cards to your friends who attend our church? If so, please feel free to save a few stamps by dropping off your cards for your church friends in the plastic boxes on the table in the foyer.

Please sort your cards by the first letter of the recipients' last names and place them in the appropriate folders in the boxes.

C&MA Christmas Offering

Last week, we introduced the Alliance Great Commission Fund Christmas offering. Please check out the insert included in today's bulletin & prayerfully consider making a contribution to enable new ministries to launch and established ministries to continue to do God's work in every nation. If you feel led to make a donation, please designate your offering envelopes or online contributions to the Great Commission Fund and return to the church by **December 31st**.

Moms in Prayer - Mondays at 6:00 PM

Please ask the church office for Teresa's number for the meeting details.



Bible Quiz Practice

Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:00 PM / 2nd-12th Grade
Please contact Pastor Joshua with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.



AWANA Clubs

Ages 3 years old through 5th grade
Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:00 PM.
Ages 3 years old - 5th Grade



Register online at: www.cherrytreealliance.org/ministries/childrens-ministry

International Workers of the Week

Please pray for our Alliance worker of the week, Ellen Fong, who serves in Aruba, working primarily with the 5,000 Chinese immigrants there.

"Current Priorities & Vision: To strengthen the faith and belief of the core Church group. To equip them to do outreach to the non believers.

To establish a church group on Bonaire Island.

Prayer Requests: Pray for the Aruba Church that God may strengthen their faith and trust in Him. Pray for the Chinese people group there that God may open their hearts to Him. Pray for the spiritual, emotional, mental and physical strength for me to carry out the ministry."

Prayer of the Day

Isn't it wonderful seeing the children in our sanctuary during the Christmas season? Please take time today to pray for the little ones in our church family & our faithful volunteers who lead them each week.

May these precious children continue to grow in their faith & knowledge of Jesus Christ!



Kids & Capacity Sunday Ministry

Jr. Kids Church - 10:00 AM on Sunday Mornings
Ages Pre-K / K-2nd Grade / 3rd through 5th Grade
Nursery Care available

Capacity Church - 10:00 AM on Sunday Mornings
6th-8th Grade - Contact Pastor Joshua with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.



Immerse Small Groups

College Age Group - Sundays at 5:00 PM
Ladies' Small Group - Wednesdays at 6:30 PM



Offering plates will be passed during the service. You may also place your offering in the wall lockbox outside the church office door. To give online, visit our website at www.cherrytreealliance.org/giving to check out our electronic donation service using the program Tithe.ly.

Thanks for your faithful giving!

GIVING

Operating Fund Giving for November: \$20,362
(Amount needed monthly: \$27,734)
Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$205

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Worship Service: 123
Kids Church & Capacity Church: 17
Livestream Views: 177

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