

Crescent Hill  
Baptist Church

December 2020

# Life Together

## Advent Services

Services will be posted on the Crescent Hill Baptist Church website ([www.chbcky.org](http://www.chbcky.org)) and on the church's Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/CHBCKY](https://www.facebook.com/CHBCKY)). Each service will remain on the church website until the following Sunday (or until the following service in the case of Christmas Eve) .

### **November 29 - First Sunday of Advent - HOPE**

We begin the Advent season by remembering the hope Christ brings. We will carry some traditional elements such as lighting the Advent wreath.

### **December 6 - Second Sunday of Advent - PEACE**

Advent Vespers Service and Communion

An informal recorded service of music and readings by Crescent Hill members of Advent devotionals. Will include music from Taize and carols as well as Communion.

### **December 13 - Third Sunday of Advent - JOY**

Family-Centered Worship

We will engage the whole family learning about Chrismons and creating our own in addition to other worship elements

### **December 20 - Fourth Sunday of Advent - LOVE**

UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN - Annual Lessons and Carols Service

Recorded service of Advent scripture readings and music of the Advent and Christmas seasons based on the newly published book *Unto Us a Child Is Born* by Tyler Mayfield, A.B. Rhodes Professor of Old Testament at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, who translated the Hebrew lessons. Music will include soloists, instrumentalists and "congregational" carols.

### **December 24 - Christmas Eve Worship**

Recorded Traditional Christmas Eve Worship with scripture, Christmas carols, special Children's Moment, Lighting of the Christ Candle and "singing" *Silent Night, Holy Night*.



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## OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

December 24 — Open 9:00 AM- Noon
December 25 — Christmas Day— CLOSED
December 28 — CLOSED for Christmas Holiday
December 29-30 — Open 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM
December 31 — Open 9:00 AM- Noon
January 1 — New Year's Day — CLOSED

## UCHM Christmas Connection Need Grows



### *Make the Christmas Connection*

Christmas is quickly approaching and the need is great! United Crescent Hill Ministries is asking CHBC to once again help with their Christmas Connection. Current requests of nearly 200 children have far surpassed last year's total of 102. This COVID year UCHM is changing the

### Advent Activities for Children

Our children will be participating in weekly Advent Zoom sessions on **Sundays** at 2:30 PM. We will be sharing a time of devotion and doing a craft together. These Zoom meetings will be recorded; so if your family is unable to join us at the given time, the recordings will be made available on the church website. These times of devotion will be geared toward elementary children, but are open to everyone. So if you would like to join us, please email [andrea@chbcky.org](mailto:andrea@chbcky.org).

For our preschoolers, Andrea will be recording Advent book read-a-longs. Your preschooler can join us each week during Advent for a story time together. These will be posted on the church's website.

For more information regarding either of these two options, please email [andrea@chbcky.org](mailto:andrea@chbcky.org).

process by asking sponsors to donate up to \$125 for each sponsored child. UCHM will purchase gift and food cards for the families and parents will shop for their children this year! How to donate? It's easy!! Please write a check made out to UCHM for whatever amount you would like to donate. Write Christmas Connection on the memo line. Send to: 1) UCHM (150 State Street 40206), 2) CHBC (2800 Frankfort Ave 40206) OR 3) Karen Scott (2825 Brownsboro Road 40206). Any questions? Contact Karen Scott: call 502-299-5004, or email [kls3711@bellsouth.net](mailto:kls3711@bellsouth.net). Checks need to be at UCHM by **Friday, Dec. 4**. Thanks and Merry Christmas!!!

### Advent Worship Bags

We have put together Advent Worship Bags to help us feel more connected during this unusual Advent season when we cannot be physically together. We hope you have already picked-up your bag. If you have not and would like one, email [andrea@chbcky.org](mailto:andrea@chbcky.org). We have a few extras. If you are not local, many of the resources in the worship bag can be emailed to you.

Included in the worship bags: An Illustrated Advent Devotional which we will use to guide our discussion during Wednesday Evening Prayer Meetings, communion elements which we will use together during Sunday Worship on December 6, Chrismon craft activity and supplies which will be used during our family-centered worship service on December 13, candle that will be used during our Christmas Eve service.

## Year End Contributions

In order to be in compliance with the Internal Revenue Service, any contributions which donors wish to be credited as a 2020 contribution for IRS purposes must be **received in the church finance office no later than noon Thursday, December 31**. If the contribution is mailed, it must be **postmarked (not meter-dated) no later than December 31, 2020**. Contributions received after this date, regardless of the date on the check, must be reported as a 2021 contribution. Thank you for your cooperation in complying with this policy. IRS guidelines require that members who wish to itemize contribution deductions must have a copy of the church's contribution report when filing an income tax return. Reports will be mailed in January.

## Wednesdays in December

Join us for our regular time of sharing and praying together via Zoom the first two **Wednesday evenings in December, the 2nd and the 9th**, beginning at 6:00 PM. We will also incorporate a brief Advent focused devotional as a part of our gatherings those two evenings. On **December 16**, we will meet for our final Ministry Forum of the year at which we hope to vote on the 2021 church budget.

We will not meet on **December 23 or 30**.

## Advent Devotional Booklet

Our annual Advent devotional booklet has been posted on our website ([www.chbcky.org](http://www.chbcky.org)) and distributed via email. If you cannot access the booklet and would like to have a copy, please email Janet ([janet@chbcky.org](mailto:janet@chbcky.org)) or call the church office and we will mail you a copy.



## UCHM Santa Sprint



Like the Post Office, neither rain, nor hail, nor sleet, nor snow — nor COVID(!) can stop the Santa Sprint!

UCHM is finalizing plans for a virtual run/walk on **Saturday, December 19**. We will share the details as they become available.

Runners will be able to register via a link on the UCHM website ([www.uchmlouky.org](http://www.uchmlouky.org)). This fundraiser has long been a highlight of the holiday season for our community and for UCHM

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## December Birthdays

24	Alexander Say (15)	24	Britney Page
15	Laura Green	25	Morgan Flecke (21)
17	Faith Bushnaq		John Kio (13)
18	Owen Hackbarth (18)		La Them
18	Maddie Meador (2)	26	Barbara Allen
19	Jason Crosby		Valorie Horn
	Janet Miller		Ju Ray May Paw
	Paway Moo		Jeffson Thoo (8)
27	Paw Ehler Thaw (19)	27	Steve Clark
	Hser Lay Sar Moo (11)		May La Paw
21	Janice Blythe		Eugina Robertson
	Carol Cook	28	Jerry Borgemenke
	Hannah Trudi Leh (4)		Po Si Sit
29	Day Mu	29	Cara Bradshaw (13)
30	Shelley Stepp	30	Lui Mu Po (13)
	Joshua Kio		Carolyn Seiffertt
31	Hay Say (18)	31	Kris Brady
	Jon Sanders		Johnnie Sherwood
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