

Advent Midweek Gatherings

You are invited to make a quiet place in the middle of the week to prepare for Christmas with fellowship, worship and music. Bring guests and family.

Wednesday, November 30

6:00pm—Soup Supper

7:00pm—Worship with Holden Evening Prayer

Wednesday, December 7

7:00 pm— Colfax High School Choir

Award winning Colfax High School choir will sing Christmas music and carols. An offering benefits Colfax High School Music program.

Wednesday, December 14

7:00pm—Advent Concert Featuring Owen Myers

Don't miss Owen's beautiful Christmas music featuring his own compositions and variations on sacred music. An offering benefits Auburn Interfaith Food Closet.



Advent Greenery

Saturday, November 26 at 9:00am

Help is needed to hang traditional Advent greenery and red bows on the church windows and doors. It takes only about an hour to create the setting that welcomes Advent and makes our church look and smell beautiful for Christmas.

Ladies Tea Party & Tree Decorating

Saturday December 3 at 2:00pm

Ladies of all ages are invited to a tea party where we will decorate the sanctuary Christmas tree, share some tea and cookies, and have a short Christmas devotional. Childcare is provided on request. (Contact Cam Bennett at 530-277-6968 or heybud@cebridge.net)

Bring 3 or 4 dozen cookies for a cookie exchange, and a small wrapped gift (under \$10) for a gift exchange.



Christmas Worship Schedules

No midweek worship December 21

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worships

- + **7:00 pm worship with candles, carols, processional and choir music**
- + **9:30 pm worship with candles, carols, special music, and communion.**



Members are invited to place "memory candles" on the altar for Christmas Eve, in honor of loved ones who have passed away. Pillar style candles should be brought to the church office the week before Christmas.

Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day

Single morning worship at 9:30am

Sunday, New Year's Day

Single morning worship at 9:30am

Senior Moments Potluck

Tuesday, December 13 at 12:00pm

Senior Moments will have a holiday potluck at the home of Arlen and Janet Deutsch, at 5615 Stanley Drive in Christian Valley. Contact Janet at 530-878-0172 for directions and more details.

Children's Sunday School in Advent

- ☆ November 27 at 9:45am kids and teachers begin practicing music for the Christmas program
- ☆ December 4 at 9:45am we continue preparing for the Christmas program
- ☆ December 11 at 9:45am is dress rehearsal followed by program at the 11:00am worship
- ☆ December 18 is the last Triple Play Sunday for this year—No Sunday School on December 25 or January 1



Don't miss the Sunday School program at 11:00am service, on December 11—Their Christmas offering to God and the congregation.

Loaves and Fishes Stockings

Beginning November 27 we are gathering stockings for Loaves and Fishes in Sacramento. The stockings filled with small comforts and necessities are given out at a special Christmas dinner put on by this ministry.

A list of items to be included will be available at the back of the church along with a supply of stockings. Filled stockings need to be brought to the church by December 18. Contact Cam Bennett at 530-277-6968 for more information.



Winter Blood Drive

Due to a scheduling conflict our winter blood drive will be Sunday January 29 this year instead of in December. Watch for a signup in January. For those who are regular donors, you can donate at another location anytime up to December 2 and still be able to give the gift of life at our church blood drive.

Poinsettias for Christmas Eve

If you would like to provide a Poinsettia plant for the altar on Christmas eve, please sign up on the clipboard at the back of the sanctuary. Bring the flowers to church office Monday—Thursday mornings, before December 22.



Auburn Interfaith Food Closet

Here are some suggestions of items to bring for the 4 Sundays of Advent:

Advent 1—Nov. 27: *Tuna, peanut butter, healthy granola bars, hearty pasta and rice cups (no ramen noodles please.)*

Advent 2—December 4 : *Canned fruit and vegetables, bags of apples, oranges, potatoes or carrots.*

Advent 3—Dec 11: *Canned soups, stews, main dishes and chili.*

Advent 4—Dec. 18: *Baby foods and formula, cookies and holiday treats*

AI FC Adopt A Family Program

During December and January we will have “*Adopt a Family*” packets available at the back of the sanctuary for folks who would like offer monthly food support for needy families through Auburn Interfaith Food Closet.



All Church Christmas Party Saturday December 17 5:00pm in the Fireside Room

Everyone is invited to gather for potluck dinner, fellowship, fun and Christmas carols.



Bring your favorite holiday potluck dish to share.

Kids' activities, coffee tea and lemonade provided

Christmas Miracle Gifts

At the back of the sanctuary, members may sign up to provide a gift for kids in Placer children's emergency services. Look for a paper ornament at the back of the church with the child's name and gift wish. Purchase the gift and bring it back unwrapped, to the church with the paper tag attached by **Wednesday, December 7**. If you have questions, contact Danell Mulligan 878-8621

Coats for Tahoe

Bring your outgrown or extra coats to church, clean and in good repair, before December 4. There is a marked collection area for them under the stairs at the back of the Fireside Room.

