



Dear Families,

During this busy time of year, I want to encourage you to take time to participate in the family activities listed in this calendar. My prayer is for you to experience true joy as you celebrate the birth of Jesus this Christmas season. Merry Christmas!









Love, Alyson Walker,  
Minister to Preschool Families

Happy Birthday, Jesus



Each day enjoy this special time with your preschooler! After completing the day's activity, encourage your preschooler to color one of the ornaments on the Christmas tree.

# Advent Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Luke 2:11 "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."						Commit to pray 1 as a family to keep Jesus the focus of this Christmas.
Let your child 2 help shop for a gift for someone from the Angel Tree. (Due Dec 9)	Take a family 3 Christmas photo. A photo backdrop will be set up at the church. 	Decorate 4 your Christmas tree. 	Attend 5 "Christmas Around the World" at 6:30 p in the Preschool area with your child.	Set up a 6 non-breakable manger scene with only the figure of Mary.	Add the Joseph 7 figure to the scene. Talk about the angels' messages to Mary and Joseph.	Enjoy a 8 candlelight pizza dinner with the family.
Look at photos 9 of friends and family members. Say a prayer for each person in the photo.	Let your 10 child help make or send Christmas cards.	Create a bank to 11 collect money to help others know about Jesus. Read Hebrews 13:16	Do something 12 kind for someone in your family.	Decorate 13 an outside tree with treats for the birds. 	Take a nighttime 14 drive to look at Christmas lights. Pray for the people who live in the houses.	Visit an outdoor 15 manger scene in your community. 
Get to church 16 early to attend "Breakfast at the Manger" at 8:30a in the Preschool area.	Watch a 17 favorite Christmas movie as a family.	Make 18 Christmas goodies to share. 	Read a 19 favorite Christmas book with your child.	Add shepherd 20 figures to the manger scene.	Guide your 21 family to role-play the Christmas story.	Sleep by the 22 Christmas tree. (Turn off the lights after the children fall asleep.)
Sing carols 23 / 30 around the Christmas tree. Plan a family game night.	*Attend 24 / 31 worship as a family. 	Add the Baby 25 Jesus figure to the manger scene. Read the Christmas story from the Bible (Luke 2:1-7).	Take a nighttime 26 walk outside to look at the stars. Talk about the night Jesus was born.	Make paper 27 stars and talk about the wise men following the star.  	Write thank 28 you notes as a family for gifts.	Put non-perishable 29 food, toothbrushes and socks in small bags to have available to give to the homeless.

\*Christmas Eve Candlelight Services - 4p or 5:30p - Identical services. Children are included in the service. (Please watch flames & hot wax around children.)

December 23 & 30 - 10:30a worship only - BFG only for birth-age 4.

# December Preschool Events

December 2 Parent Commitment/Baby Dedication - Register by noon November 25: [babydedication.fbcallen.org](http://babydedication.fbcallen.org)

December 5 (6:30-7:30p) Christmas Around the World - Preschool Area - Parents encouraged to attend.

December 7 (6:30-9:00p) BFG Childcare Night - Online reservations required: [bfgchildcare.fbcallen.org](http://bfgchildcare.fbcallen.org)  
(Brown, Carpenter/Rawlings, Cox, Kemp/Winchester, Smith/Lamkin, J. Strawn, Wooldridge BFGs)

December 16 (8:30a) Breakfast at the Manger - Preschool Area

December 19 (6p) Final M&M (Music & Missions) for 2018

December 23 & 30 (10:30a only) Worship Service, BFG for birth-age 4

December 24 (4p or 5:30p) Worship Services  
(Children attend service with their family)

December 24 & 25 Church Offices Closed

December 26 & Jan 2 NO Wednesday programs/meals

January 1 Church Offices Closed

January 9 (6p) M&M (Music & Missions) Resume

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