

NEWS + EVENTS

December 20, 2020

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Christmas Service Dec. 20 at 10:30am (rescheduled from Dec. 13)

The choir and orchestra will lead us in a special time of worship focused on the coming of our King. (Notes: No ABF or Sunday School at 9am through December.)

Please Note: The church office will be closed on Dec. 23-24 and 31.

Important Notice: In order to claim a charitable contribution for 2020, donations must be made online or postmarked by Thursday, Dec. 31. Checks may also be delivered to Heritage on or before Wednesday, Dec. 30 (the church office is closed on Dec. 31). Checks received after Dec. 31 will not qualify for a charitable contribution, even if the check is predated or was actually written in 2020. A record of your contributions to Heritage will be mailed to you in January.

The Lord's Supper will be observed December 27 (rescheduled from Dec. 20) during the worship service. We do this in remembrance of the Lord, and thus proclaim His death until He comes.

Childcare for December: Throughout the month of December, we will be providing childcare for birth-Pre-K during the service, by registration only. Please e-mail kids@heritageokc.org to register.

Showering Blessings on Cora Williams & Baby Girl "Ruby"
Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Shawn McGill, 8316 NW 105th Ter. Diapers and wipes are needed most.

New Women's Bible Study Begins Thursday, Jan. 14 (9:30-11:30 am) The House, Jeremiah, Daring to Hope in an Unstable World by Melissa Spoelstra. This class is led by Cindy McWilliams and Lynn Skeen; you may sign up online.

Lottie Moon 2020 ~ Charlotte Digges "Lottie" Moon (1840-1912) is the namesake of Southern Baptists' international missions offering. Your giving enables missionaries to be sent to make disciples and multiply churches among unreached peoples for the glory of God. If you would like to contribute to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, make your check out to Heritage with "Mission Fund—Lottie Moon" on the memo line. Visit imb.org/who-was-lottie-moon for more information on Lottie.

Faith@Home for the Holidays- We have prepared an excellent packet of creative tools and information, including an Advent outline, so you can lead your family to magnify Christ as you celebrate the holidays. Be sure to pick up *Faith-Filled Holidays* at the *Faith@Home* kiosk.



As a family of forgiven people we are honored that you have joined with us today as we seek to develop people who delight in God and declare His glory—from our neighborhoods to the nations. Our prayer is that you will connect with God through Christ this morning and that this would be the beginning of a deep connection with other believers as well. Please take a moment to fill out the Communication Card located under the pew in front of you and place it in an offering pedestal in the back of the Worship Center.

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Song of Worship

*Hark! The
Herald Angels Sing*

Call to Worship

Pastoral Prayer

Songs of Worship

O Come All Ye Faithful

*Sing We the Song of
Emmanuel*

What Child is This?

Scripture Reading

John 17:1-5

Song of Worship

O Holy Night

Message

**Herndon Hall
Recognition**

Song of Response

*Sing We the Song of
Emmanuel*

Ruth 2 – A New Hope: Do the Right Thing

“He is rich or poor according to what he is, not according to what he has.”

Henry Ward Beecher

“The Christian message is that there is hope for a ruined humanity – hope of pardon, hope of peace with God, hope of glory – because at the Father’s will Jesus became poor, and was born in a stable so that thirty years later He might hang on a cross.”

J. I. Packer

“This gospel anticipates a world far different from C.S. Lewis’s Narnia, where it is ‘always winter, and never Christmas.’ The promise of the Gospel is that it is ‘always Christmas.’ To be ‘in Christ’ is to enjoy each morning as a Christmas morning with the family of God, celebrating the gift of God around the tree of life.” *Kevin Vanhoozer*

“Kindness is a sincere desire for the happiness of others; goodness is the activity calculated to advance that happiness. Kindness is the inner disposition, created by the Holy Spirit, which causes us to be sensitive to the needs of others, whether physical, emotional, or spiritual. Goodness is kindness in action – words and deeds. Because of this close relationship, we often use the two words interchangeably.”

Jerry Bridges

Big Truth of this Series: *God uses even the darkest circumstances and most unlikely people in accomplishing His wonderful plan of redemption.*

Big Truth of Today’s Message: *In the midst of devastating loss and need, God gives new hope through the kindness, protection, and provision of a righteous person.*

Vs. 1-7 – A righteous person puts God first in his or her life and does the right thing.

Vs. 8-17 – A righteous person pursues godly relationships and does the right thing.

Vs. 18-23 – A righteous person does the right thing and provides for, protects, and gives hope to others.