NEWS+EVENTS

December 15, 2024

For more details and registration, go to heritageokc.org/news+events

December Memory Verse: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change." ~ James 1:17 Find this month's 2-Year Reading Plan at the Welcome Desk or on our website.

Life Adult (60 & up) Christmas Luncheon: TODAY, after the worship service in the Chapel/Café.

Christmas Caroling: A few groups of carolers will visit the homes of several members of Heritage on Wednesday, Dec. 18th. We will leave the church at 6pm. If you would like to participate, contact Jonathan at (918) 766-5249.

The Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday, Dec. 22 during the worship service. We do this in remembrance of the Lord, and thus, proclaim His death until He comes.

Important Notice: To claim charitable contributions for 2024, donations must be made online, postmarked, or dropped off at the church by Tuesday, Dec. 31. Checks postmarked after Dec. 31 will not qualify for a charitable contribution, even if the check is predated or written in 2024. A record of your contributions to Heritage will be mailed to you in January.

Christmas Eve Service: Tuesday, Dec. 24, 5:30pm, We will meet in the Worship Center to celebrate our Lord's first advent! Join us for a brief time of singing carols and remembering our Savior's coming.

Visit News+Events at <u>heritageokc.org</u> to see our Holiday schedule and for more details about upcoming events.

NEW 4Men beginning Jan. 7 - **Tuesdays** 6-7am or **Wednesdays** 6:30pm "A Fight to the Death" by Wayne Mack explores sin's dangers and the believer's duty to overcome it. Register online!

NEW Women's Bible Studies beginning Jan. 8 - **Wednesday PM** – "Finding God Faithful" studies the life of Joseph, recognizing God's sovereignty in dark times. **Thursday AM** – "The Women of the Bible Speak" looks at the lives of 16 Biblical women to gain insights that can transform lives today. **Thursday PM** – "Job: Trusting God When Suffering Comes" focuses on Job's story as it reveals God's power and purposes and how faith can endure suffering in a world full of pain. Register online!



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 in the chair pocket near you and place it in an offering pedestal in the back of the Worship Center.

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Call to Worship

Luke 2:8-14

Pastoral Prayer

Chad "Kicker" Kositzky
Student Pastor

Songs of Worship

Angels We Have Heard on High

Come All Ye Faithful

Scripture Reading

Romans 11:33-36

Songs of Worship

Exult in the Savior's Birth

In Christ Alone

Message

Marty Brown
Teaching Pastor

Song of Response

Exult in the Savior's Birth

"If God had perceived that our greatest need was economic, he would have sent an economist. If he had perceived that our greatest need was entertainment, he would have sent us a comedian or an artist. If God had perceived that our greatest need was political stability, he would have sent us a politician. If he had perceived that our greatest need was health, he would have sent us a doctor. But he perceived that our greatest need involved our sin, our alienation from him, our profound rebellion, our death; and he sent us a Savior"

~ D.A. Carson

"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

"A Jesus who never wept could never wipe away my tears."

~ Charles Spurgeon

"God cannot give us happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing."

~ C. S. Lewis

He Is All You'll Ever Need, Part 3 His Name Shall Be Called Counselor Isaiah 9:6

Big Truth of this Series: The prophet Isaiah foretold of the coming Messiah who would deliver His people and who would be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Big Truth of Today's Message: What is God's answer to the darkest times in life? In a way that we would not expect, God has sent His deliverer, the Messiah, and His name shall be called Counselor.

v. 6a – "For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called... Counselor!"

He understands exactly what you are going through. He is a Counselor **TO** you.

He never stops caring for you.

He is a Counselor **WITH** you.

He is totally committed to you.

He is a Counselor **FOR** you.