

Mt. Auburn United Methodist Church—12/1/2010

Share the greatest story ever told
with your family this Christmas!



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Mount Auburn
United Methodist Church

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★ Regular Weekly Activities

Sundays

8:20am Prayer in Chapel
 9:00am Worship, S.S. & Life Groups
 10:00am A Time for Fellowship
 10:30am Worship, Life Groups, & Children's Cornerstone
 5:30pm Jr. & Sr. High Youth
 7-9pm Men's Open Gym

Mondays

2pm Staff Mtg.-Library
 7pm Boy Scouts #245 -Sanctuary

Tuesdays

9:30am Women's Bible Study-Rm 205
 9:00am Tai Chi Chair Aerobics-TH
 7:00pm DivorceCare—Youth Rm.

Wednesdays

9:30am Women's Bible Study-Rm 211
 10am-2:15pm Jerry's Dance Class-CR
 6:00pm Bell Choir
 6:30pm Health Counseling—Rm 3

- Solomon's Porch
- Men's Bible Study—Rm 204

 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays

9:00am Staff Mtg.-Library
 9:30am Moms N More-CR, YR. RM 10
 7:00pm Band Rehearsal-The Courts

★ These events take place **EVERY** week at the designated times unless otherwise noted on the monthly calendar.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
KEY: S.S. —Sunday School; UR -Upper Rooms; FH -Fellowship Hall; S —Sanctuary; L —Library BS —Boy Scouts; CS —Cub Scouts; GS —Girl Scouts; Rm —Room; Chapel — C ; OFLC —O'Dell Family Life Center; CR —Community Room; TH —Trinity Hall; YR —Youth Room; K —Kitchen; The Courts—Cts			1 ★ 6:30pm Life Grps-Rm 210 & 205	2 ★ 6pm Daycare Staff-FH 6:30pm GS-S 6:30pm Life Grp-Rm210	3 2pm Life Group at Gettum's 6-10pm Life Gp-CR, Cts 6:30pm Life Group-Rm 210	4 9am Life Group at Lapp's 9-11am Autism Support Grp Christmas-S 1-4pm Book Fair-CR
				Newsletter		
5 ★ 10:45 Club 56-YR 12-6pm Cts & CR-congregational use	6 ★ 5:30-6:30pm Wheeler-Cts 6pm Trustess 6:30pm Women's Bible Study Gathering-TH 7pm Staff Parish-Rm 32	7 ★ 6am Fellowship Grp- 4 Seasons 9:30am Piecemakers-L 1pm Agape-CR 5:30pm GS #1044-CR 6:30pm CS-C	8 ★ 6:30pm Life Grps-Rm 210 & 205	9 ★ 6pm GS-Rm 12 6:30pm Life Grp-Rm210 No Moms N More	10 8:30am Emmaus Reun. StknShake 135 2pm Gettum's Life Grp 6:30pm Life Grp-Rm 210 6:30pm 4:4 Forum 6:30pm BS Lock-in-S	11 8:30am BS Lockin ends 9-11am Breakfast with St. Nick 4-6pm Cong. Use-CR 8:30-10pm GGCB-FH
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12 ★ 10:45 Club 56-YR 12-6pm Cts & CR-congregational use	13 ★ 5:30-6:30pm Wheeler-Cts 6pm Trustees-L 7pm Shalom -Chamness	14 ★ 10am Agape-C 6:30pm CS 7pm Daycare Christmas-Cts	15 ★ 5:30-9pm GS-CR 6:30pm Life Grps-Rm 210 & 205	16 ★ 1pm Sr Moments-K 6:30pm Life Grp-Rm210 No Moms N More	17 7pm Senior Moments Christmas Dinner-TH	18 9-Noon—Cantata Rehearsal 9am Life Group at Lapp's 1:30-3:30pm-CR
19 ★ Cantata & Birthday Party for Jesus at 9 & 10:30 Angel Tree Presents Due	20 ★ 5:30-6:30pm Wheeler-Cts No Daycare Committee	21 ★ 6am Fellowship Grp- 4 Seasons 5:30pm GS #1044-CR 6:00pm Bookies-Martene's 6pm CS-S 6:30pm Scouts-C	22 ★ 6:30pm Life Grps-Rm 210 & 205	23 ★ 6pm GS-Rm 12 6:30pm Life Grp-Rm210 No Moms N More	24 7pm Family Service 11pm Candlelight Service	25 Merry Christmas!
26 ★ 10:45 Club 56	27 ★ 5:30-6:30pm Wheeler-Cts	28 ★ 6:30pm CS-Rm 211	29 ★ 6:30pm Life Grps-Rm 210 & 205 No Men's Bible Study	30 ★ 6:30pm Life Grp-Rm210 No Moms N More	31 ★ New Year's Eve	

December Birthdays

Dec 1	John Burdsall Bill Waddle	Dec 10	Ella Brown Darrell Francis
Dec 2	Alice Bishop JoAnne Pfeifer Alice Weddle	Dec 11	Ted Polk Ellie Todd Jeff Kruse Alan Rice
Dec 3	Kirk Northern	Dec 12	Logan Wade DeeDee Cox
Dec 4	Alice Burdsall Avery Drane Dennie Lohr	Dec 13	Tonya Overton Keith Barrett
Dec 5	Carolyn Darstek Steve Nordholt Paige Pine Eric Robe	Dec 14	Joel Rifkind Doris Waters
Dec 6	Scott Nichols Gillian Semmler Roy Umbarger	Dec 16	Nancy Board Mary Harbert
Dec 7	Heather Bonser Zachary Kroll Barbara Letts Trevor Speer	Dec 17	Walt Umbarger Macile Fleenor Rick McNeely
Dec 8	Clint Carson Jerry McRoberts Teresa Tom	Dec 18	George Roach Evan Simpson Jeff Brewer
Dec 9	Chase Hawkins Allen Patton Frances Reynolds	Dec 19	Alyssa Harrell Jim Newcomer Ernie Wilson
		Dec 20	Susan Boltz Emily Grider Conner Walsh
		Dec 21	Beth Coffey Paula Kopko Sara Moening Ed Orme David Coles



December Anniversaries

Dec 2	Pat & Donna Nix
Dec 4	John & Paige Pine
Dec 7	Jerry & Kathy Heistand
Dec 15	Denny & Valerie Blessing
Dec 20	Bill & Fran Waddle
Dec 22	Ted & Alecia Adams
Dec 23	Leon & Ramona Nichol森



My Dear Friends,

As a pastor, I have often lamented through the years that the Advent/Christmas season coincides with the end of the year when there is so much business to finish before turning the calendar over to start a New Year. This year, I am determined to change the mood and wait to receive our Savior's birth in a quieter frame of mind.



Yes, there's still loose ends and unfinished business to tend to in the church.

- But, the stewardship drive in November has been a rousing success. We aren't waiting for too many more pledges, and best of all – we believe the budget has been underwritten for next year!
- Capital Funds II doesn't officially end until the end of January 2011, but many of you will want to get your Capital Funds money in for this year's (2010) tax purposes. Some of you will use next year to finish your commitment to Capital Funds II, and we hope all of you will continue giving to the Capital Funds to allow us to pay off our mortgage sooner.
- And, the Angel Tree awaits. It's our big second-mile mission project in December that brings joy to many needy families in our area at Christmas. But, this project can almost function on autopilot, as we have so many organized "angels" in our congregation. The "Angel Tree" is beautiful today. Soon, it will become barren as the ornaments are taken, and then filled once more with mittens and hats for Navajo children in the 4 corners of the southwest, and then finally loaded with presents.

Of course, there will be the special services and extra programs to get ready for to mark this holy season.

- "Breakfast with St. Nick" (December 11), and the "Birthday Party for Jesus" (December 19) are two of them for the children.
- We'll have a beautiful Christmas Cantata presented again by our wonderful Chancel Choir at both services on Sunday, December 19.
- Then, of course, the two Christmas Eve services at 7 and 11 p.m. – they are the highlight of my year! I don't know what I'm going to do when I no longer have the privilege to announce the good news about this wonderful birth on Christmas Eve. I'm going to miss it terribly!

But, I am determined this year to take the time to quietly contemplate the love of God that sent us His Son to save us. More than ever, I need this time of renewal. I want to bow at the nativity, unencumbered by the noise and busyness all around me, to marvel in wonder and awe for this unbelievable gift from God of His Son. I want to worship this God and allow His peace to fill my whole being.

I hope you will join me this year. God has once again given us this opportunity.
—Jim Hertel

Dec 21	Betty Crouse Jason Miller Charlie Platt-88 yrs! Jane White
Dec 22	Luke Appleton Taylor Carter Jenna Coy Gabriella Hoover
Dec 24	Roland Lorenz Cristy Roleson Aileen Beeler Phyllis Kidd Clara Sjoquist
Dec 25	David Lorenz Douglas Meyer Mary Walker
Dec 26	Mary Marshall Alex Plummer
Dec 27	David Armenoff Melissa Carson Norma Jones Mary Kinder Joel McClurg Jamie Newcomer Nate Robe Cassidy Stiffler
Dec 28	Claudia Braman Reese Brichler Katie Gainey Sean Gainey Tyler Hansen Kathy Rice Heather Silvertooth Duane Sjoquist, II
Dec 29	Meredith Braman Jacki Grider
Dec 30	Debbie Bryant Lora Thompson
Dec 31	Jordan Coy Drew Dobbins

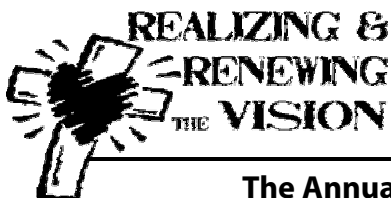
Weekly Report of Attendance and General Giving:

Week Ending	Worship Attendance	S.S. & Life Groups	Budgeted Ministries	Capital Funds II	Other Funds	Total Received
11/14/2010	524	354	\$25,738.32	\$11,524.50	\$64.00	\$37,326.82
11/21/2010	473	328	\$21,388.09	\$3,322.00	\$2,049.68	\$26,759.77
11/28/2010	490	263	\$13,418.58	\$2,142.00	\$548.00	\$16,108.58

Needed weekly for budgeted ministries in 2010 \$20,971. Other Funds include: \$725.00 for Elizabeth Francis Memorial.

Year-End Giving Instructions

About 10% of our annual offerings are received during the month of December. If you want to make a gift to the church and receive credit for tax purposes this year, then be sure to have your offering into the church office no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 30. If you intend to gift to the church by stock for the 2010 donation year, please do so on or before December 20 to allow adequate processing time. If you need help with this, please call the Church Office.



**The Annual Stewardship Campaign Update!
Have We Heard from YOU?**

We've had a fantastic response so far! The key to finishing successfully is in the hands of those who have yet to respond this year. HAVE WE HEARD FROM YOU? Please, return your commitment forms ASAP.

At 11/29/2010 for 2011 Stewardship:

Total pledges or commitments received	201
Total dollars pledged or committed	\$ 806,526
Estimated dollars received from all sources	\$ 254,993
Giving units not yet heard from	86
Other Revenue Sources (not offering)	\$30,000
Estimated Total Possible	\$ 1,091,519
2010 Budget Goal	\$1,129,430
Time and Talent Commitments Received	300



The Senior Moments Ministry



Christmas Dinner & Entertainment

Dec. 17 at Mt. Auburn

(Please note date has changed)

Our Christmas event has always been a delightful way to spend an evening, and this year will be no exception! Come and enjoy an evening with family and friends. Dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m., followed by some wonderful entertainment. The cost is \$10 and there will be a sign up sheet at the Welcome Center. Contact John Skaggs with questions (535-8555).

What is Advent?

Advent is the season when we prepare ourselves to receive God's gift of Jesus. It is a time of "getting ready" for the celebration of Christmas. During this time, Christians observe a season of prayer, fasting and repentance, followed by anticipation, hope, and joy.

Many Christians celebrate Advent not only by thanking God for Christ's first coming to Earth as a baby, but also for his presence among us today through the Holy Spirit, and in preparation and anticipation of his final coming at the end of time.

Watch each week at Mt. Auburn as we light a candle representing this special time.

- 1st Sunday of Advent (Nov. 28) – Hope**
- 2nd Sunday of Advent (Dec. 5) – The Way**
- 3rd Sunday of Advent (Dec. 12) – Joy**
- 4th Sunday of Advent (Dec. 19) – Peace**



Upcoming SERMONS

- Dec. 5** "Unrecognized Greatness," by Dr. J. Wesley Hertel
- Dec. 12** "Shattered," by Pastor Ben Greenbaum
- Dec. 19** "Night of the Father's Love"
Presented by the Chancel Choir
- Dec. 24** "But Then You Came," by Dr. J. Wesley Hertel

Sympathy Notices

Please keep Linda Carney and family in your prayers at the passing of her beloved husband, Al Carney. Services were held November 16 in Greenwood.

Mt. Auburn member, Liz Francis, passed away on Nov. 16. Please keep the families of Elaine Collins, Dan Francis, Darrell Francis, and Valerie and Denny Blessing in your prayers.

We remember Gretchen and Jeff Beaman and family at the passing of Gretchen's grandfather, Joe Huff, on November 27.

Thank You's

Thank you for all of your prayers, cards, and for the Prayer Shawl. I know having the Prayer Shawl, I feel God's Love and Blessings Embrace me. My family feels so blessed to have a church family that is so loving and giving in Christ's Love. Thanks to the Prayer Shawl team for all that they do for our church and everyone. — Stephanie Weidman

Dear Mt. Auburn:

Thank you for your generous offering. The \$1,000 donation will be used to purchase and place God's Word. It will provide approximately 200 Bibles here and around the world. Thank you,
—Ned Barr, Johnson Co. Gideons

Thank you so much for all your cards, calls, and the beautiful flowers. These and your prayers helped so much in our time of sorrow.
—The Family of Al Carney

Operation Christmas Child was another huge success this year! Thank you for donating over 197 boxes!

340 food bags were collected for the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Thanks to all who helped with the sorting and delivery.



SHALOM CIRCLE: Gift Wrapping at DAMAR on Saturday, Dec. 11, 9:30–Noon

For those of you who have indicated a desire to make our second trip to DAMAR to help wrap gifts for their children, here is the information you will need.

Meet in the front/south parking lot at church at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 11...out close to Stones Crossing Road. We are also planning to have lunch at Gray's Cafeteria after we're finished at DAMAR, so bring your appetite with you.

We will probably need two vehicles to get us all to DAMAR, so need a second driver besides me to step forward and volunteer. If you previously said you would join us on this trip and now cannot make it, please let me know prior to Saturday morning if possible.

Don't forget to bring your Christmas wrapping paper, tape, and scissors. We had such great fun last year...looking forward to another year of the same. See you on the 11th. —Marlene (881-7194)

Blue Jeans Needed for Fletcher Place Camp Bags

Calling all blue jeans! Shalom Circle makes camp bags from old blue jeans and fills them up with goodies for the summer campers at Fletcher Place. If you have some jeans that aren't doing anything except taking up space in your closet, why not donate them to this project. A donation box is placed in the closet off of Fellowship Hall.



Calling All Food Enthusiasts!

We are starting a culinary discussion group at Mt. Auburn. Come with your questions & your expertise (or not) to share knowledge and information on anything food related. Experience is not required—you don't have to have a degree in culinary arts—just have an interest in food. All are invited to participate in this new group. Some possible topics we might cover are foods in the Bible, cooking techniques, what to do if a recipe starts to go wrong, understanding a commercial kitchen vs. doing something at home, how to plan for small/large parties & have the food all ready at the same time, or other topics for which the group wants to pursue. The direction of discussion may lead to trying some techniques using the OFLC kitchen.

Our first group meeting will be on Saturday, Jan. 8, from 9:30–11 a.m. in the OFLC (church) kitchen. Other meeting dates will be determined by the group. Joel Rifkind and Marge Patton will be leading this group. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk in Trinity Hall.

Administrative Boards Actions in November

At the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Administrative Board, the members made three important decisions for the congregation.

1. **The Board Approved the 2011 Operating Budget of \$1,131,000.** This is the earliest anyone can remember the budget being approved in years past, and it was made possible by the tremendous response of the congregation to the annual stewardship drive on Celebration Sunday, November 14. The Board received the report that when the last pledges are received, the Finance Committee expects that the congregation will have underwritten 95% of the budget for the year.

Mt. Auburn's operating budget for next year is an increase of 3.5%, and requires \$21, 750 each week. The members of the Ad. Bd. wish to commend the congregation for its rapid and generous response in this time of so much economic uncertainty.

2. **The Board Approved Moving Forward to Study Plans for the Use of the Old Sanctuary.** For the past several months, a self-appointed group from the congregation called the Phase IIb Committee has been studying the needs of the children's ministry with an eye toward the use of the old sanctuary. The November meeting of the Ad. Board was the first opportunity for this group to present its initial plans and ideas.

The dream is to transform this area into a space for multiple uses – primarily large group children's worship on Sunday mornings. It would also be used by the weekday children's ministry during the week, and be available for weddings, funerals, or smaller worship services by the congregation anytime.

With the assistance of architect Barney Boyd, the group showed a design plan that it had agreed upon. The Board decided to take the next step to continue this study by approving money for additional architectural drawings to show what it will look like and to determine what it will cost.

3. **The Board Received a Very Generous Gift.** The members were made aware of the decision by Dr. and Mrs. Leon (Ramona) Nichol森 to give to Mt. Auburn a house in Greenwood located at 358-360 W. Main St. The proceeds upon the sale of this house are to be distributed in the following manner: 1/2 for a new sanctuary, 1/4 for debt reduction, and 1/4 children's ministry.

God's blessings continue to be poured out upon Mt. Auburn! The Board rejoiced, gave thanks to God, and then adjourned.

LIVE CHRISTMAS TREES & WREATHS

available from
Boy Scout Troop 245
of Mt. Auburn UMC

Proceeds to benefit BSA Troop 245



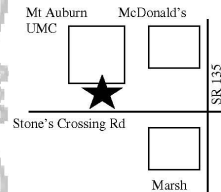
3100 West Stones
Crossing Rd

SIZES / PRICES:

Wreaths: \$25
24" diam with red velvet bow, 3 pinecones
wrapped and secured on wire frame

Trees—Douglas Firs:

5 ft - 6 ft: \$30
over 6 ft: \$40



LOT HOURS:

Friday, Dec 3rd

5:00 pm—8:00 pm

Saturday, Dec 4th

9:00 am—5:00 pm

Friday, Dec 10th

5:00 pm—8:00 pm

Saturday Dec. 11th

9:00 am—5:00 pm

Reserve your Trees & Wreaths NOW to guarantee availability!

Call Dan Francis 535-9628(h), 431-6156(c) or email dan47@embarqmail.com

Book Fair to Benefit Taylor Adoption Fund



Linda and Erin Swisher are hosting a book fair with Usborne Books to benefit Sarah and Travis Taylor's adoption fund! You will find fun, educational books for all of the children in your life. Usborne offers more than 1,800 titles—from infant board books to middle school reference books and lots in between.

The Book Fair will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, in the Community Room from 1 to 4 p.m. Besides having a broad book selection, you will also be able to place special orders from the entire Usborne collection. Can't come, shop online at www.ubah.com/BG43393.

Start your Christmas shopping now! **All sale proceeds will be donated to Sarah and Travis for their adoption fund.** Visa, Mastercard, Discover, checks and cash accepted. Presented by Linda & Erin Swisher, Usborne Books. Contact Linda for more info at: laswisher7845@yahoo.com or 771-3504.

Life Group for Indian Outreach Meets Saturday

Dr. Hertel and Rev. Mecwan's Life Group meets this Saturday, Dec. 4, at 5:30 p.m. in the Pastor's office. The pastors would appreciate some additional volunteers. Consider joining them!

Here's what's happening!



The Bookies

The December 21st meeting of the Bookies will be at the home of Marlene Withrow at 6:00 p.m. and includes a light supper. We will be discussing "The Heart Mender" by Andy Andrews. Come join us for an evening of food, fellowship, and a

good discussion. Our selection for January is "House Rules" by Jodi Picoult, and in February, we will be reading "Blind Side" by Michael Lewis.



2011 Church Leadership Meeting—Saturday, Jan. 22

The leadership set-up meeting for the 2011 Leadership Team will be held on Saturday, Jan. 22, from 9 a.m.—1:00 p.m. If you are on the Administrative Board, the Council on Ministries (which includes the team leaders of the various Ministry Teams), the Board of Trustees, Finance Committee, Daycare Committee, or Parish-Staff Committee please plan on attending. Lunch and childcare will be provided.

Upcoming Newsletters

The next church newsletter is scheduled for Wednesday, December 15. If you have something to submit, please send it to the church office or to amys@mtauburnumc.org by the Monday of that week. Thank you.

Feliz Navidad!

The Lunch Bunch and Romeo's will enjoy our monthly dining experience together for lunch on Thursday, Dec. 16, at 11:30 at Lucero's. Bring your appetite and a friend to this Mexican restaurant on Smith Valley Road, in the shopping area by Hampton's. The menu includes Mexican and American food. The sign up sheet will be available on December 12. If you have any questions, call us at 882-0404.

— Gene & Carolyn Freeman



Four Corners Mission Opportunity

After the tags are off the tree, our Christmas tree looks really lonely. Help decorate it by bringing mittens, gloves, hats, or scarves for our friends in the Four Corners area of the U.S. Many of the native Americans live in the high desert area where it gets very cold. It has been our tradition to send these

winter items to Shiprock, Arizona, where they are distributed to those in need. Any questions? Call us at 882-0404. Gene and Carolyn Freeman



Be an Angel... Pick an Ornament!

The tree for the Christmas Angel project is up!

Beginning Sunday, Dec. 5, you'll be able to select one or more "ornaments" and purchase the gifts indicated on the tag for the 60 children of the families that Mt. Auburn adopts.

The shape and color of the paper ornaments indicate the family and child represented. Five gift tags will be made for each of the 56 children we will serve this year. Here are a few things to keep in mind:

1. Please select one or more ornaments;
2. Purchase only the gift specified on the tag;
3. Wrap the gift;
4. Tie the paper ornament to the gift (please do not tape the ornament tags to the packages);
5. **Return these to the church by noon on Sunday, Dec. 19.**

Mt. Auburn has always been a generous congregation, and we know you will want to help provide some holiday joy for these families in need. Please, though, only purchase the gift as designated. Since there are multiple children in most of the families we have adopted, we want to be sure that each child receives the same number of packages.

Volunteers are needed to deliver the gifts and ham for a holiday dinner to the families, who are all in the Greenwood/Whiteland / Franklin areas the week of Dec 19. If you can help or have questions, please contact Maureen at 535-8292, or during the day at 328-7700.



Salvation Army Bell Ringers Needed

What: Ring bells for the Salvation Army
When: 9am-9pm on Friday, Dec. 10, & Saturday, Dec. 11
Where: Friday @ Kroger (135 and Fairview),
Saturday @ Mall (Johnny Rockets entrance)
Experience: None required!

Sign up sheets will be at the Welcome Center on Sunday.

Share the greatest story ever told
with your family this Christmas...



Breakfast with St. Nick—Saturday, Dec. 11

An event for the whole family! Two seatings: 9 a.m. & 10 a.m. Tickets are on sale now through December 9th. There are a limited number for each seating. Tickets are pre-sale only and will not be sold the day of the event. You may purchase tickets on Sunday morning at church or in the daycare office daily from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Night of the Father's Love—Sunday, Dec. 19

Join us Sunday morning, December 19th, at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. when our Chancel Choir will lead us in a musical worship experience: *Night of the Father's Love*. This musical offering of fresh new songs, well-loved carols, and thoughtful readings is a powerful retelling of God's gift to us in the birth of Jesus.

A Christmas Tree Narrative & Birthday Party for Jesus —Sunday, Dec. 19

All children are invited to celebrate the birth of our Savior.
9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in the old sanctuary

Christmas Eve Services—Friday, Dec. 24

7 p.m. Family Service
11 p.m. Candlelight Service



*"For today in the city of David there has been born for you
a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:11*

A Christmas Tree Narrative & Birthday Party for Jesus!



Date: Sunday, December 19
Time: During both the 9 & 10:30 service;
Check in begins at 8:50 & 10:20
Place: Former Sanctuary
Ages: Preschool through the 4th grade

Children ages four through the fourth grade are welcome to join us for A Christmas Tree Narrative and Birthday Party for Jesus, presented by the fifth and sixth grade Sunday school class. Join us as we learn about the real meaning behind Christmas as the Sunday school class performs an interactive play. We will then have some fun activities to celebrate the real meaning of the season and a birthday cake, too! Please bring the donation of a canned good for Mt. Auburn's food pantry. See you there!

Breakfast with St. Nick!



Saturday, Dec. 11

Two Seatings: 9 & 10 a.m.

*Tickets limited & presale only.
Tickets on sale Sunday and in the
Daycare office daily from 6am—6pm

Cost

\$5.00/adults
\$4.00/children (3-11yrs)
Free/2 & under

Children's Activities

Crafts & Games
Visit St. Nicholas and have
your picture taken!



Invite family, friends, and neighbors!