



Community Kids

Corner

Special points of interest:

- Connect! Worship on 1/5 at 10am in Commotion.
- New Year!!! Yay!!!
- Bob and Casey's final Sunday, 1/19

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A New Decade and New Beginnings

Can you think of another song that is associated with the New Year besides Auld Lang Syne? Now, without looking it up, can you say what "auld lang syne" means? If so, you are smarter than I am. After looking up the definition, I found the term to be very apt for where we are right now. Before going any further, let's define this term. Interpretations and definitions vary but most settle along the lines of "days gone by" or "old long since". We sing this song at New Year's as a remembrance of what was and as an anticipation of what is to come. We look back at the year, remembering family and friends as well as the notable events and hope for a better year to come.

In many ways, we as a church, are in the process of singing our own version of Auld Lang Syne as we prepare to say good-bye to the Reverend Doctors Bob and Casey Baggott, giving thanks for life and ministry to Community Church for over 15 years. We are remembering the days gone by, the old long since their arrival, celebrating all that they have given the community and honoring who they are as ministers and community leaders.

But that is only half of the story. We are remembering and honoring our beloved ministers, at the same time, we are preparing for what is next with hopeful anticipation. We remember all that has passed in the hope for what is to come. After all, we are a people rooted in the hope and the promise of Gospel; that no matter what God loves you, chooses you, and claims you has a child of God.

I am sure that for most of you 2019 ran the gambit with joys and sorrows, fun and frustrations, new friends and old friends, and surprises both good and bad. Some of you may enter 2020 with great joy or with trembling trepidation. As a church we are grieving the coming departure of two beloved leaders while being uncertain of what comes next. We may be unsure of what will come in 2020 but we are sure of the love of Jesus. Of the promise of salvation and forgiveness. Of a loving church that supports each other and the community. Of a children laughing in Sunday school and great music in worship. Of a loving church and community that will continue to thrive. So as one decade and one era ends, we can look back at days gone by and remember how they were once new beginnings. Here is to 2020, new beginnings, and hope in the things to come.



This Month in Godly Play



Each week our children do their “work” with the story through art and play.

Each Sunday morning we have two different Godly Play classrooms for our elementary children: a Pre-K - 2nd grade class and a 3rd - 5th grade class.

Godly Play immerses the kids in a different story each week based on different stories of the Bible, parables, church liturgical practices and other pieces of faith. After hearing the story the children “work” with the story through faithful play using the art and story resources in each room. This could be done with drawing, playing with the physical elements of the story, clay, yarn, glitter, glue, or simply reading the Bible.

This Month’s Stories Are:

1/12 - Holy Baptism

1/19 - Parable of the Good Shepherd

1/26 - Parable of the Good Samaritan

What are you most looking forward to in 2020?

Celebrating Bob and Casey

There are two days of celebration for Bob and Casey on January 18th and 19th.

There is a reception for Bob and Casey at 3:30pm on January 18th in Community Hall.

January 19th, is Bob and Casey’s final Sunday. There will be one service at 10am. We are going to celebrate Bob and Casey’s final Sunday by opening Commotion to families to watch the live stream in lieu of our normal Sunday school. Families are welcome to worship in the Sanctuary or with other families in Commotion.

Join a Godly Play Teaching Team!

WE HAVE CREATED NEW TEAMS TO TEACH GODLY PLAY!
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN ONE OF THESE AMAZING TEAMS WE STILL HAVE NEED FOR MORE TEACHERS TO HELP TEACH.

TEAMS TEACH NO MORE THAN ONCE PER MONTH .
TEAMS ALWAYS WORK TOGETHER, SO YOU ALWAYS KNOW YOUR CO-TEACHERS.

QUESTIONS: CONTACT DOUG JOHNSON



A big thank you to all of our volunteers that helped with Jingle Jam in December: Kelly, Chris, Sue, Carrie, Karen, Erin, Jade, Savannah, Zack, James, Ellie, Bryce, and Cece. Thank you all for a wonderful and joyful day!



January

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HAPPY NEW
YEAR



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New Year!!!



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Connect
Service - 10am

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Epiphany

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National
Rubber Ducky
Day.



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Bob and
Casey's Good-
bye Celebration
3:30pm - 6pm

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Bob and
Casey's
farewell
Service - 10am

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Martin Luther
King, Jr. Day
Office Closed

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Annual
Meeting - 5pm

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