

This Week

Christmas Eve Family Candlelight Service

Thursday, December 24, 5:00pm

Come with your family and guests to this beautiful one-hour service of celebration featuring your favorite Christmas Carols, Children's message, devotional thoughts from our pastoral team, and the beauty of singing by candlelight.

Church Office Hours

Please note and be reminded that church offices will be closed this week from Wednesday, December 23 through Friday, December 25. See you at the Christmas Eve Service!

Next week, church offices will be closed Thursday, December 31 and Friday, January 1. See you on the first Sunday of the New Year – January 3, 2016.

Morning Worship

Sunday, December 27, 10:00am

We will gather all together as a church community and our Christmas season guests on this Sunday for a combined 10:00 AM service of adoration and praise to God in music and message from God's Word. Please join us. Kid City Ministries, nursery through 5th grade will meet during this service.

Please note: Atrium Café will not be open on this combined service Sunday.

Regular Sunday Schedule

Sunday, January 3, 2016

The first Sunday of the New Year we'll resume our regular schedule of traditional and contemporary worship services, including all middle hour ministries for Adults, Students, and Children.

NOTES

Gordon Ainsworth <i>Shepherding</i>	Kenneth Gabbert <i>Middle School</i>	Chris Norman <i>Pastoral Ministries</i>
Nancy Baughman <i>Early Childhood</i>	Sue Hoffenbacher <i>SCS Superintendent</i>	Sue Reddypogu <i>Elementary Children</i>
David Borrer <i>Administration</i>	Derrick Jackson <i>Worship & Music</i>	Brent Slater <i>Senior Pastor</i>
Jeremy Einem <i>High School</i>	John Koenke <i>Shepherding Discipleship</i>	Jimmy Smith <i>Young Adults</i>
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Today

December 20, 2015

8:45am

Traditional Worship Service

KID CITY

Joy to the World—#120

Anthem: Once in Royal David's City

O Little Town of Bethlehem—#121

The First Noel—#10

Orchestra: Silent Night

Message: *The Arrival*

Luke 2:1-20

Special: Mary Did You Know

10:10am

Middle Hour Ministries

KID CITY

Student Ministries

Adult Bible Fellowships

11:15am

Contemporary Worship Service

KID CITY

All Creation Sing

O Come All Ye Faithful

Jesus Messiah

For Your Glory

God With Us

Message: *The Arrival*

Luke 2:1-20

Special: Noel

5:00pm

Awana

7:00pm

Christmas Concert

Prayer & Counsel

After the Worship Service there is an elder and his wife at the left front of the worship center to talk and pray with anyone who would find it helpful.

Welcome

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given." (Isaiah 9:6)

Those are stunning words. Jesus was born as a gift to us! God the Father's gift of Jesus, His son, is to you! There is no other gift like this first gift of Christmas.

Have you accepted God's gift to you?

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Get Involved

Christmas Concert

Christmas Concert

The Nativity Symphony

Sunday, December 20, 7:00pm

The Nativity Symphony is a collection of songs, which return us to the humble majesty of the birth in a stable that changed the world forever.

Incredible instrumental and choral arrangements take the listener on a journey through the Bethlehem scene, featuring the musical artistry of Bradley Knight.

Through the story of the Christmas, this concert will unfold the truth and power of the Gospel.

Please join us tonight as the HPBC Chancel Choir & Orchestra, soloist, and guests tell anew the story of the birth of the King.

Concert invitational cards are available at the Welcome Center today for you to invite others to the Christmas Concert tonight.

Ministry Details

The Herd & Crash will not meet for the next two Wednesday evenings. Be sure to come with your family to the Christmas Eve Service and the 10am Christmas Worship Service next Sunday, December 27. See you the week of January 3, 2016.

Our Sympathies to the family of Wendy Althouse, whose mother Marilyn passed away on December 15, and to the family of Sylvia Kyle who passed away on December 16.

Kid City El Family Christmas Celebration is today at 10:10am for children grades K – 5 and their parents. Don't miss out on this special morning of fun, music, crafts, and refreshments as elementary age Kid City and parents celebrate the birthday of Jesus.

Christmas Outreach. A refreshed selection of seasonal tracts, New Testaments, and evangelism booklets are available at the display area in the Atrium Café. Please take what you will use in sharing Christ with others throughout this Christmas week.

Media Resource Center. Books & CD's make excellent Christmas gifts. For families, we are featuring *The Christmas Story for Children*, well-written with excellent illustrations for \$5 each, and *The Case for Christmas* booklet written by Lee Strobel for \$1 each.

Winter Camp is coming on January 15 - 17 for both the Herd and the Crash. Retreats like this make a great Christmas gift for your student. Early registration deadline for the \$125 price is today, December 20. Brochures and waivers are available outside the Student Ministries office or on the website. The final deadline is January 10. Registrations cannot be accepted after that date.

Save the Date. You are invited to a 'Getting to Know You' potluck luncheon for Sandy Eckelberry on Sunday, January 24, 2016 in Fellowship Hall at 12:30pm. Sign-ups for this limited seating potluck will begin January 3.

Pray for Sandy E. as she winds up ministry in Asia and makes final plans to travel back to the U.S. to begin her Home Assignment. She is excited to have her long-time 'national' friend and co-worker, Dess, to be able to join her after given a 10 year, multiple-entry visa for the U.S. Pray that she will make good connections while she is home until May 2016. Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 24, and come to a luncheon in Sandy's honor (Fellowship Hall) and to hear her heart for building His Church in Asia.

Welcome Guests. It is always a privilege to have visitors with us for Sunday morning worship. Please take a moment to complete a Communication Card located near your seat, and place in the drop box as you exit the service today. Further ministry information is available at the Welcome Center, or on our church website.

Ministry Highlights

Dear HPBC Family

The Pastoral Staff and entire HPBC Ministry Team wish for you this week a worshipful celebration of the coming of our Savior, born as both baby and King, the Lamb of God and the Lion of Judah.

He is the Sovereign Lord and Chief Shepherd of this church. Together we all bow before Him and echo the words of the angels, "Glory to God in the highest!"

Season of Giving

The generous financial gifts given throughout the year enable the ministry of HPBC to bring life-giving help, encouragement, and Biblical truth to men, women, teens, and children, spreading the Good News that Christ is the hope of the world.

Our annual budget anticipates much larger offerings during December, which historically is our largest giving month of the year - representing over 15% of our annual budget. What happens this month greatly affects our entire fiscal year income.

We ask that each person and family prayerfully consider their year-end giving to HBPC. Giving can be through our weekly offering or electronically through the website at

www.highlandparkbaptist.com/connect/give.

Please remember that gifts to the church will be counted as 2015 contributions only if they are received by the church, or postmarked prior to the end of the day Thursday, December 31, 2015.

Ministries Women's Ministries Men's Ministries Global Ministries Southfield Christian School Community