

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service (S)

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

9:00 am Baby Closet

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14

6:00 pm Church Council Meeting (HH)

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15

10:30 am Bible Study – James 5:13-20 (HH)  
3:30 – 5:30 pm Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)  
3:30 – 6:30 pm Baby Closet  
5:30 – 7:00 pm **No Supper - WWW Kids Club**

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16

1:00 pm Baby Closet  
4:30 pm Women's Bible Study (online)  
5:30 pm Matt Smith's Graduation Party (HH)

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

1:00-3:00 pm No Quilling Paper Art Class (HH)  
1:30 pm No Worship Team

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service (S)

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**DECEMBER 12, 2021**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** – *We are glad you have joined us!* Please complete a **Connection Card** or **ONLINE (scan QR Code)**. Leave in the pew after the service. Share greetings, prayer concerns, reservations, questions, and comments with the Church Office and Pastor on the back of the Connection Card or email [pastor@wsbctopeka.org](mailto:pastor@wsbctopeka.org).



**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE** - JESUS gives us HOPE! Jesus is this reason for the holiday season! **Bring the family to our CHRISTMAS EVE Service at 7:00 pm. No reservations. We will SING some of your FAVORITE CAROLS!** A free soup supper will be served – with lots of cookies – starting at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Call the Church Office for a complementary **Christmas Eve Home Worship Service Bag**. We will porch-drop all the supplies you need to join the online service. Discover **HOPE** this Christmas! We would love to see you!

**CHRISTMAS INVITATIONS** – Invite your family or friends to our Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service on December 24 at 7:00 pm simply by sharing their contact information with the Church Office – on a Connection Card, email or scan the Code. The Church will send a postcard invitation to Christmas Eve, along with an email. We will use the information only for this purpose. Questions? See Pastor.



**UGLY SWEATER or SWEATSHIRT or TIE SUNDAY** – Wear an ugly Christmas sweater, sweatshirt, or holiday tie to worship at 10:30 am the Sunday after Christmas (Dec. 26, 2021).



**ANNUAL REPORTS** – It is that time again for all the Council members to start thinking of what you want in your report. Please submit your report to Lynda ([office@wsbctopeka.org](mailto:office@wsbctopeka.org)) by Tuesday, January 18. The **Annual Meeting and Potluck Luncheon will be held on Sunday, January 30 at 12:00 pm, downstairs in Fellowship Hall. See Pat Carpenter for more information and agenda items. Annual reports will be distributed prior to the meeting.**

**BABY CLOSET CARE PACKAGES** - The volunteers in the Baby Closet are busy putting out the winter clothing for the children and packing away summer clothes. It is time to prepare for the **personal care Christmas bag** given out to Baby Closet families in December. We are asking for donations from our church to help fill these bags. These bags are filled with personal care items such as **shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste, lotion, body wash, razors, Band-Aids, and miscellaneous items.** Thanks to all for your support of the Baby Closet.



**BIBLE STUDIES, SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, & SMALL GROUPS** – Join a Bible Study, Sunday School Class, or Small Group by **Scanning the QR code** or visit the church website at [www.wsbctopeka.org](http://www.wsbctopeka.org). Classes are free and taught by gifted leaders and teachers for adults, beginners, and women.



**GRADUATION PARTY** – Ashley and Colleen would like to invite the congregation to Matt's graduation party **Thursday, December 16 from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm in Holmer Hall.** Please RSVP before Dec. 9 to Ashley Smith (785) 289-3905 or Colleen Smith (785) 213-1062.

**NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE** – Turn in your newsletter articles on Friday, December 17 for January publication!

**NURSERY CARE** – We thank God for every parent and child! Free nursery care with trained staff is available downstairs, as well as a child changing station. Follow the signs or ask an Usher to guide you to the Nursery.



**QUILLING PAPER ART CRAFT CLASS** - Learn the art of paper Quilling, or expand your skills, at a friendly **six-week workshop beginning Saturday, November 13, 2021, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at West Side Baptist Church, 1008 SW. 4th St., Topeka, Kansas 66606.** Deborah Edwards, a skilled quilling instructor, will teach basic skills for the holiday season for beginners and advanced students. Class size is limited, so register online or contact the Church Office at (785)233-4241 to register and for more details. Cost \$10.00 for basic materials and supplies.



**WWW KIDS' BIBLE CLUB ON WED. will be on CHRISTMAS BREAK until after the NEW YEAR. NO WWW Kids' Bible Club** – Dec. 15, 22, or 29<sup>th</sup>. **We will start again at 5:30 pm on Jan 5 for a free supper.** Classes for children and youth start at 6:00 pm to 7:00pm. Activities include a free supper, creative Bible stories, fun games, easy-to-learn songs, and the Bible Buck store. Call if you need a ride – (785) 233-4241.



**MISSION MOMENTS - RETIRED MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES OFFERING:** We will be collecting the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO) in December. This year's theme is **A Financial Services Ministry™ "Transformed by Generosity"**. "And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit." - 2 Corinthians 3:18 The RMMO acknowledges and shares our collective appreciation for the extraordinary commitment of those who serve God's people. By participating in the RMMO, all congregants can celebrate the strength and perseverance of ministers, missionaries, and their widowed spouses by contributing to provide emergency assistance and "Thank You" checks. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to support those who have been faithful in following God's call through the years. **Our goal is \$1,500.00.** On December 5, the balance given was \$1,090.00 leaving a balance to give of \$410.00.

## OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Coronavirus (COVID 19) Pandemic

Beyers, Martha – Healing

Brousseau, Barbara – Healing (Bev McCurdy's niece)

Carpenter, Al & Bradley – Healing

Carpenter, Ken – Healing (Harry's brother)

Carpenter, Pat, and Harry – Healing

Cottril, Nancy and Wayne and extended family – Healing

Freddie, Stacy – Healing (Nelda Janway's cousin)

Fry, Kathy – Healing (Matthew Fry's mother; volunteer)

Fry, Matthew – Healing (hospitalized, Food Pantry volunteer)

Hager, Barb – Healing (Alice Payne's family)

Hunter, Aaron, and Family – military service (Russ & Fran Hunter's son)

Ketter, Robbin – Healing for heart issues (Nancy Ohse's cousin)

Kirby, Karen - Healing

Lewis, Joanna – Healing (Nelda and Jack Janway's grandniece)

Lindberg, Howard – Healing (Nancy Lindberg's brother)

Magistro, Steve – Healing (Clarence Payne's friend)

Manley, Nadine – Healing after shoulder surgery

May, Nancy, and Dick – Healing

May, Renea and Steve - Healing

McCullough, Mark – Healing and cat (Nancy Cottril's son)

Morris, Molly – Healing

Peck, Carolyn – Healing (Matthew Peck's grandmother)

Poe, Becky – Healing

Scheeler, David – Healing for cancer and chemo treatment (Nancy Ohse's cousin)

Springer, Keith – Healing (Marianne Spano's brother)

Swain, John – Healing

Zab, Lola – Passed Away December 6 (Marianne Spano's sister)

The Church and people in:

- 12 - 18 December 2021 Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam
- 19 - 25 December 2021 China, Hong Kong, and Macau<sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup>Ecumenical Prayer Cycle "In God's Hands - Common Prayer for the World" from the World Council of Churches (<https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/prayer-cycle>)

