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| 1—Chris Hall | 2—William Priest | 3—Oliva Brock | 3—Maximus Regula |
| 4—Cade Perry | 8—Hannah Demorest | 8—Caleb Hill | 8—Gianna Jacobs |
| 9—Madison Todd | 10—Piper Argo | 10—Peyton Harmon | 10—Caroline Hernandez |
| 10—Hattie Looper | 11—Kaitlyn Ruiz | 9—Jocelyn Adams | 9—Connor Joyce |
| 11—Joshua Davis | 11—Kalani Gilmore | 13—Anaya Ramirez | 14—Spencer Jones |
| 15—Brayden Leopold | 15—Kathy Moore | 18—Liam Sinani | 20—Mason Eastwood |
| 20—Olivia Rivera | 20—Adriana Searls | 23—Olivia Pontier | 25—Kailey Forbes |
| 21—Mnaikah Guillet | 28—Lilah Rosenberg | 29—Lincoln Walsh | 30—Suzette Cordiviola |
| 31—Ayva Galvez | | | |



Scripture of the Month (1st-5th grades)

Then he said, "Let anyone who has ears to hear listen."
Mark 4:9



- December 2— Parent-Child Dedications, 9:15 & 11:00am
- December 16 – Rehearsal for Christmas Program (after 11:00 service)
- December 19—Children’s Christmas Program, 7:00pm
- December 24-26—Christmas, church office closed
- December 31-January 1 New Year, church office closed



Preschool & Children’s Ministry Newsletter

Hi Families,

Christmas is almost here, and as the holiday gets closer it’s important to take a minute to remember God’s gift to us -- His son, Jesus Christ. Christmas is about much more than piles of wrapping paper and “stuff” under the tree. Christmas is the celebration of Christ’s birth. Take time to revel in knowing how that gift has impacted us all. Share with your children how the birth of Christ brings peace and hope of eternity. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever! 1 John 2:17

God bless,
 Rebeka Corgan ><>
 Minister of Preschool and Children

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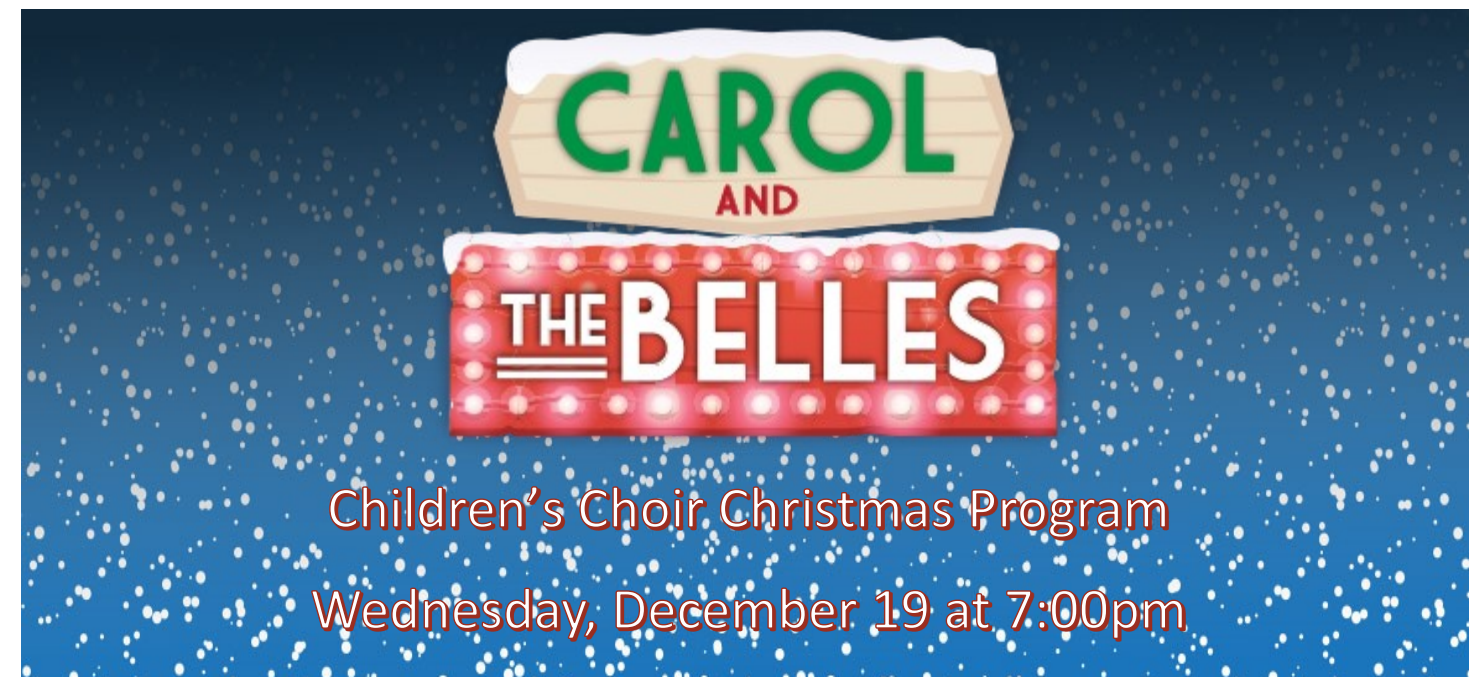
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Sundays - 9:15 & 11:00 am
 Wednesdays - 6:30 -8:00 pm



GIVING: THE BEST GIFT OF ALL



A Give-me Generation...

"It feels like our society is too focused on material goods."

"My children have more things than I ever did growing up, but they don't seem any happier."

"How do I help my children to enjoy giving instead of always receiving?"

These comments reflect the concerns of parents at holiday time and throughout the year. They want to raise children who feel good about giving to others, but this generosity of spirit does not always come naturally to children. It is up to you as a parent to instill kindness and sensitivity toward others and to teach your children skills that reflect generosity.

Creating a Giving Generation

Here are some suggestions to make the concept and the act of giving a part of your regular interactions with your children:

Teach what it means to share. One way you can help your children understand what it means to give is to teach them the importance of sharing. Often, when you think of the word "sharing," you picture dividing tangible things like splitting a piece of cake with someone or letting friends play with toys. Even these small examples of sharing can help your children understand, in simple and concrete terms, what it means to be generous.

Model generosity

Think about your attitudes toward charity and what messages you send to your children.

Do they reflect the same kindness and sensitivity to others that you would like your children to exhibit?

Do your children see you helping neighbors, giving to charity, or donating items to needy people?

Often your children are unaware when you write checks for charity or they do not see you when you run an errand for an infirm neighbor or cook a double batch of dinner for a struggling family. Let them know when you perform acts of kindness.

Talk about your feelings when you give

Tell your children how you feel when you make charitable contributions or buy things for those in need.

Do you feel proud, helpful, kind, or generous?

Does it make you feel good that you can make a difference in other people's lives?

Take time at dinner or even while driving in the car to discuss what you do to help others and how it makes you feel.

Do it together

Ask your children to help you when you pack up donations of clothes or household items or when you help a friend. Spend an afternoon at a food bank or at a community clean-up project. Let them experience first-hand what it feels like to give their time to a cause. Often these activities become the highlight of your family's time together. Get input from your children and include them in decisions about how your family is going to give to others or be charitable.

Praise the giving impulse

When you see your children being generous, point it out and praise them. Help them put into words the positive feelings they may have as they help others.

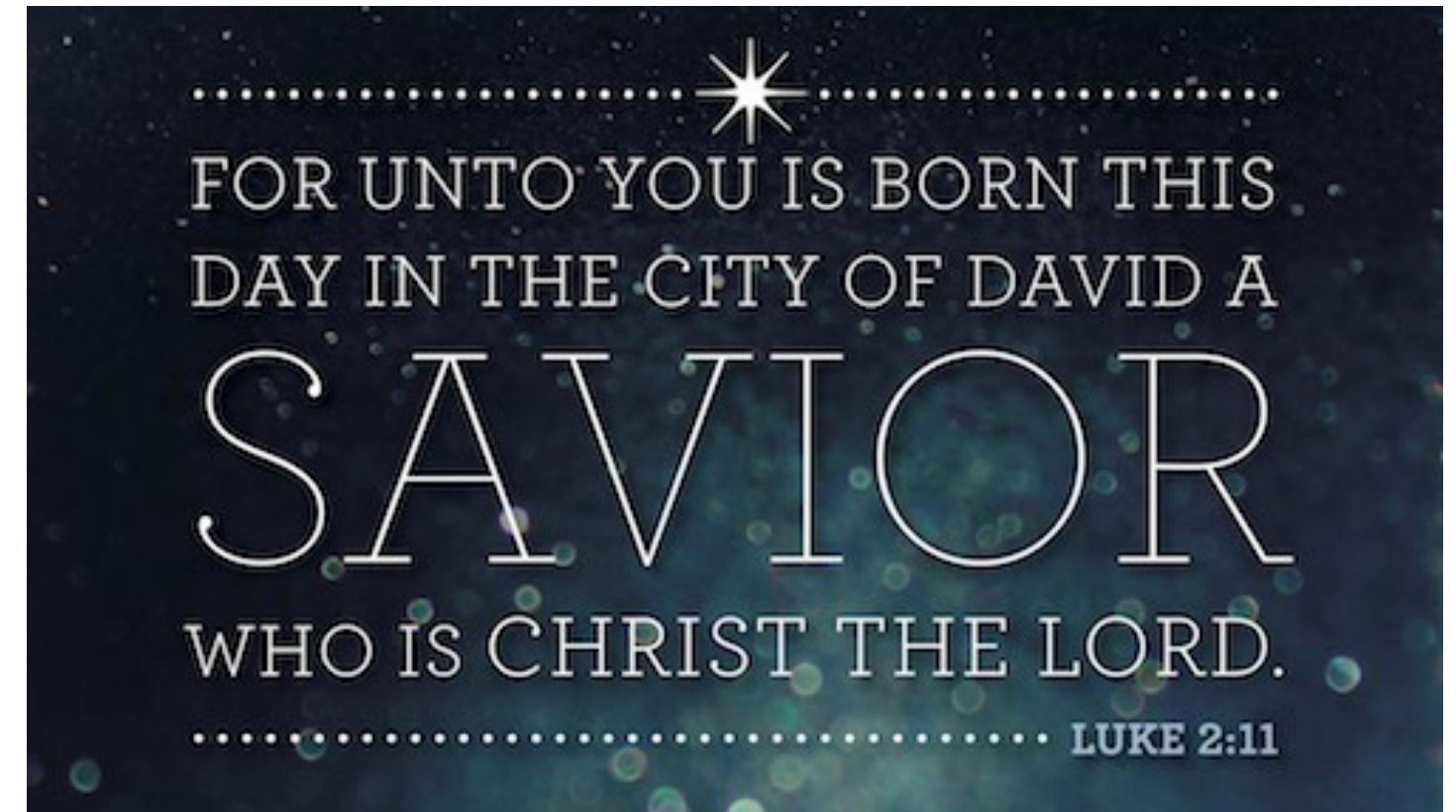
If, for example, your son helps his sister find something she lost, tell him that was a kind thing to do and that he can feel proud for taking the time to help her.

Create opportunities

Introduce ideas and opportunities for your children to give time, contribute money, or donate personal items. You might, for example, suggest they visit an elderly neighbor who can't get out much anymore, choose a charity to support, or give some of their less-used clothes to a community shelter for women and children.

Children usually want to help; they just don't know how they can make a difference. Talk with them about ways they would want to give back: find activities that are aligned with their interests.

For example, if your child loves animals, volunteering time or giving support to an animal shelter might be a good choice. There is no reason why being generous can't also feed a child's personal interests. Children are more likely to be sincere in their helping efforts when they personally care about the cause.



Patrick and Amy Modglin—9:15 5th Grade



Patrick was born in Alaska and brought up Missouri and Arizona. Amy is from Boston MA. Both are US Navy veterans with a combined total of 38 years or honorable service. They moved to Apollo Beach, FL in 2016 from Virginia Beach, VA. Patrick is a certified home inspector with Florida Building Inspection Group and Amy is owner and president of Modglin Leadership Solutions. They have 4 kitty kids: Scupper, Molly, Calvin and Bella. Patrick believes in providing mentorship and guidance to the young people of the world as commanded in scripture, "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it", Proverbs 22:6. For Amy, having the privilege to teach the 5th grade class gives her the



Merry Christmas