

WOODSIDE VILLAGE CHURCH NEWS

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Keeping you informed...

December 16, 2011

Next week's church schedule:

Reminders:

Friday - 16 6:30 p.m. MOVIE NIGHT ~ **A Christmas Carol**

And next week ~

Sunday - 18 9:30 a.m. Worship Service + **Christmas Pageant!**
See included photos!

Tuesday - 20 **Village Pot Luck CANCELED!**

Thursday - 22 7 p.m. Choir

Friday - 23 *Office closing early.*

Saturday - 24 10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Sunday - 25 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day Worship Service CH

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## ***PRAYERS OF CONCERN AND COMFORT...***

### **Church members:**

**Veva Wheaton**, health issues, **Eric Pedersen**, pain management, and **Kristy Rice**, seizures

### **Friends and Family members:**

**Phil O'Hara and family** - brother of Barbara Tagg, **Kathy Bassett** - tumor, family friend of the Pedersens, **Scott Michelson** - Colon Cancer, **Cheryl Story** - surgery, aunt of Cindy Murphy, **Ed Decker** - cancer, uncle of Eric Pedersen, **David Amschler** - grandson of Glen Hise, and **Margie Gibson** - cancer, friend of Sandie Pugh, **Shelly Thornwaldson** - cancer, friend of Kristy Rice, **John and family** - serious football injury, friend of Sue Brock, **Dick Alvarez**, knee problems, and **Biff Bafigo** - health issues, friend of Peggy Moore-Kane

*~ It is requested that church members **please** advise the church office of any illness, injury, or hospitalization, so that they may be added to the prayer list, and congregational and pastoral care may be arranged.~*

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SAVE THE DATE:

Sunday, January 8, 2012 Congregational Meeting
(quorum required!)

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*TOYS are needed for the Samaritan House*

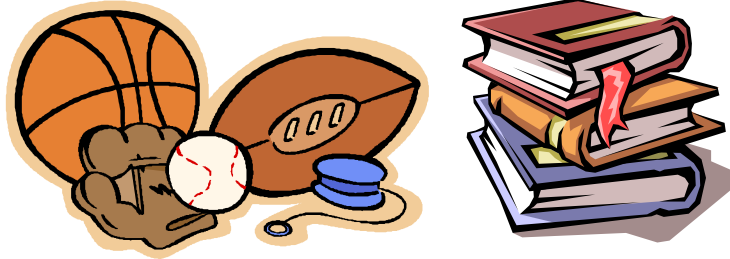


Samaritan House distributes new toys to thousands of underprivileged children every Christmas. You can help by donating to the special Samaritan House barrel placed in the narthex for this season.

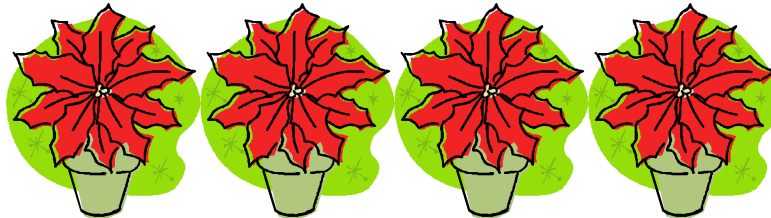
And don't forget the older kids – gift cards are also welcome.

*Bring your donations any/every Sunday!*

*Share your blessings at this season!*



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It's not too late!
Memorial Poinsettias Christmas 2012
\$10
Sign-up in the Narthex



Or call the office and we will add you to the list

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**When was the last time you saw a really wonderful Christmas Pageant?**

Next Sunday we will have a great one – the young people have worked so hard and the dress rehearsal looked very promising, as you can tell from the following photos by Jodie Hackworth:



**Shepherds abiding! And...**



**Angels we will hear on high,  
and a crèche worthy of Pastor Mike's collection!  
Don't miss this wondrous holiday event  
*The King's Birthday*  
This Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Worship Service**

## Twelve Days of Christmas Explained

From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone from that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember

1. The partridge in a pear tree was *JESUS CHRIST*.
2. Two turtle doves were *OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT*.
3. Three French hens stood for *FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE*.
4. Four calling birds were the 4 gospels *MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE, JOHN*.
5. Five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first 5 books of the *OLD TESTAMENT*
6. Six geese a-laying stood for the 6 days of *CREATION*.
7. Seven Swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit: *PROPHECY, SERVING, TEACHING, EXHORTATION, CONTRIBUTION, LEADERSHIP & MERCY*.
8. Eight maids a-milking were the *EIGHT BEATITUDES*.
9. Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit: *LOVE, JOY, PEACE, PATIENCE, KINDNESS, GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS, GENTLENESS, and SELF CONTROL*.
10. Ten Lords a-leaping were the *TEN COMANDMENTS*.
11. Eleven pipers piping stood for the *ELEVEN FAITHFUL DISCIPLES*.
12. Twelve drummers drumming symbolized the *TWELVE POINTS OF BELIEF IN*  
*a. THE APOSTLES' CREED.*

DEACON CHET YEE, with thanks to Deacon Mark Dickey

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## Trumpeting The Holidays



Join in heralding the holiday season with Gabriel's Heavenly Trumpets! Enjoy unique renditions of favorite seasonal songs. Hum along to *Winter Wonderland*, *Silver Bells*, *Feliz Navidad*, *March of the Toys* and many more great tunes! This music program is fun for all ages. [Gabriel's Trumpets](#) is led by Franklin Beau Davis.

**Date: Tuesday, December 20 at 3:30 pm at the Woodside Library**

***Some photos of our Thanksgiving Feast, courtesy of Jerry Straks...***



***The turkey parade!***



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Stay tuned! Photos from the Plum Pudding party coming soon!
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***Have a good week,  
Pastor Mike, Rev. Dorothy, Linda and Anne***