

# THIS WEEK @KHCC



**He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God... John 1:11-12**

## **Christmas Program and Fellowship Dinner Sunday**

Join us this Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. for our church family's Christmas program and dinner.

Gather in the sanctuary at 5:00 for music and pageantry: carol singing, our choir with present two anthems, the children will sing. We will have a time for the children to learn about the Chrismsons. Our youth will present the Christmas stories of Luke and Matthew. We will conclude with singing and adjourn to the Family Life Center at 5:45 p.m. for pictures with Santa.

A dinner catered by Monjuni's will be served at 6:00 p.m. (as of Wednesday, we have 167 reservations, with extra food ordered for those who decide to come at the last minute.) Cost of the dinner is \$8 per person or \$ 24 per family.

The annual Congregational Meeting will follow the dinner. All members are invited to vote on approving the report of the Nominating Committee for church officers and to approve the Budget for 2020.

The choir has been practicing, the children have been learning a new song, and the youth had fun selecting their costumes for the Christmas pageant and will have their final practice Sunday at 3:30 p.m. Committees have been working preparing for this event, and a crew is ready to go to greet the children in the FLC for pictures and to serve a favorite meal (beef lasagna, spaghetti and meatballs, chicken spaghetti alfredo, salad, toast, and dessert.) Come and enjoy!



## 2019 Christmas Special Offering

Received in many congregations on Dec. 15 and 22, 2019

**Our finest gifts support the work of regional ministries this Christmas. Your regional ministry works to:**

- Connect congregations to each other
- Foster faith development
- Gather Disciples in camps, conferences, and assemblies
- Nurture the development of a new generation of pastors
- Assist churches in calling new ministers
- Interpret the global mission of the Church
- Represent the Church in ecumenical gatherings
- Counsel and pray with those who are troubled of spirit
- Lead the Church to address racism
- Inspire leaders to experiment and create
- Witness to the power of God to make things new

**The Christmas Special Day offering supports all of these and many other ministries of our regions.**

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### **ByGeorge**

Last week I announced we would be having a “Blue Christmas” service on December 21 to offer encouragement to those struggling this season. Many of you have commented about this “I never heard of such a service.” and “It seems like a good idea.” In reality, the expectation that we are all happy and filled with festive joy in December is just not realistic. Many of us are missing someone this holiday, some of us are struggling financially, emotionally, or spiritually. Loss, health concerns, stress keep some of us from being in the “holiday spirit.”

If you are feeling sadness during a time when everyone else is celebrating, I invite you to join us for a Blue Christmas service on Saturday, December 21st at 4:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. This date is the winter solstice, the shortest day of daylight and the official beginning of winter – it seems an appropriate day to recognize that disappointment and brokenness are part of our reality.

This service is a time to come together and unite in our love for the Lord, even in times when we don't feel like rejoicing in the glory of Christmas. We gather to recognize pain amid the world's celebration. We look for the themes of Advent (hope, peace, joy, and love) to offer comfort to us as we receive through the gift of Jesus Christ.

This service is fairly brief with readings, prayers, silence, and the lighting of candles of memory. If you find yourself struggling a bit this December, please join with us on December 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

If you are interested in fellowship on this day, light refreshments will be served afterwards in the parlor.



Kings Highway Christian Church is a sponsor for the local Friendship House for Shreveport-Bossier Community Renewal. Please drop off your gift no later than **Sunday, December 15th**. Presentation of the Angel Tree Gifts will be **December 20th, 6:00 - 8:30 pm** at the Community Renewal Christmas Dinner Party in the KHCC Family Life Center.



Juliette Fowler Communities is a faith-based, non-profit organization founded to serve children, youth and the elderly located in Dallas, Texas. Older adults can choose from a variety of living facilities: independent/assisted living, skilled nursing, and affordable senior housing. Children are served through foster care and adoption services and the Ebby House helps young women at risk

for homelessness and who have experienced abuse, neglect or abandonment.

Juliette Fowler Communities have received White Gifts from Disciple churches for more than 100 years. The tradition was started by a church in Ohio to encourage giving to those in need and soon spread across the country. If you grew up in a Disciple church, you may remember collecting items and donations for Fowler. The gifts are wrapped in white tissue to emphasize the act of giving, not the size of or value of the gift inside. As each gift looked the same, there was no glory for the giver only for the One whose loved is shared. Throughout the years, this tradition has evolved, and White Gifts continue to symbolize the joy of giving and our God of love. They remain a blessing to Fowler residents and provide peace of mind and opportunities for joy. This Christmas please consider giving a White Gift to the Fowler residents.

Here is a partial list of items suggested: gift cards (Walmart, Target, CVS), toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream, dental floss, hair brushes, shampoo, bathroom towel sets, toilet paper, Tide pods, pump shower gel, sanitizing wipes, 1 lb, 3 lb, & 5 lb dumbbell sets (for senior fitness), glove/scarf sets and warm socks for Ebby House girls, Ziploc bags, stock the pantry items (oatmeal, canned meat, peanut butter, etc.)

Please place your gifts under the Christmas tree in the sanctuary by Sunday, December 22.

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### Order Your Christmas Poinsettia

It is time to order your Christmas poinsettias and help decorate the Sanctuary. You can place them in honor or memory of someone special to you. Please fill out an order form located in the narthex and the church office. Please turn in with payment to the church office or drop in the offering plate. **Deadline to order is December 20th.**



### POINSETTIA ORDER FORM



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Name Ordering: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

QTY: \_\_\_\_\_ @\$8.50 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of:


In Honor of:


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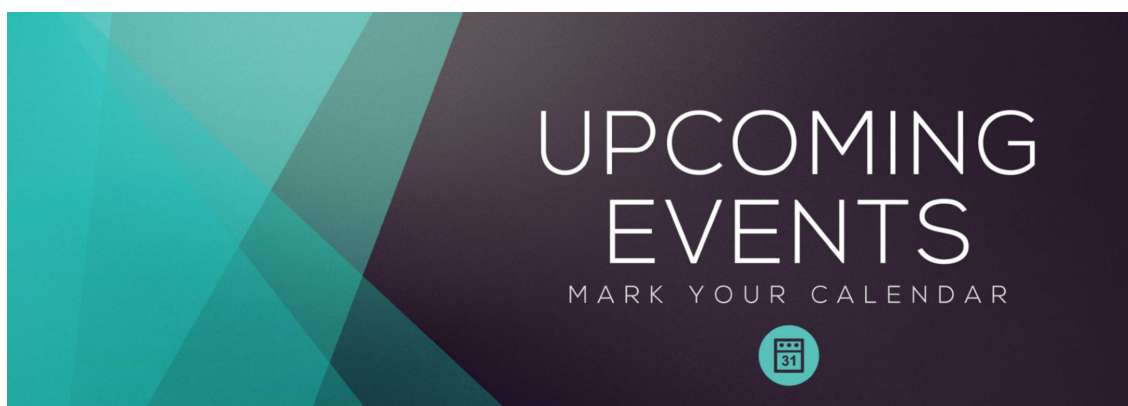
Join us **Christmas Eve** at **6PM & 11PM** for our **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**. We sing carols, celebrate Communion and end the service singing "**Silent Night**" with candles glowing. What a wonderful way to celebrate the birth of our **Lord & Savior Jesus Christ**.

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We want to invite you to join us and celebrate the birth of Christ together. Our prayer is that this Sunday Service and KHCC Special Christmas Events prior lead to more of his hope, peace, joy and love in your life. Traditional Worship at 9:15, Contemporary Worship at 11:11.

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**Saturday, December 14**  
10:00AM - NA Meeting (KC)

**Sunday, December 15**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**Christmas Offering**

- 9:15AM - Traditional Worship
- 10:15AM - Sunday School
- 11:00AM - Sunday School in Spanish (HC)
- 11:11AM - Contemporary Worship
- 11:15AM - Cornerstone Class Christmas Party (FH)
- 11:30AM - Worship in Hispanic (HC)
- 3:30PM - Youth Afternoon Activities**
  - Chi Rho (6th-8th grade)**
  - CYF (9th-12th grade)**
- 5:00PM - Music Program (Sanctuary)**
- 5:45PM - Pictures w/Santa (FLC)**
- 6:00PM - Fellowship Dinner (FLC)**
- 6:30PM - Annual Congregational Meeting**

**Monday, December 16**

- 7:00AM - Elders' Meeting (FH)
- 12:30PM - AA Meeting (KC)
- 5:30PM - NAMI Meeting (FLC)
- 8:00PM - AA Meeting (FH)

**Tuesday, December 17**

- 1:00PM - Retired Teachers Meeting (CP)
- 7:00PM - Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00PM - Doctors' AA (KC)

**Wednesday, December 18**

- 12:30PM - AA Meeting (FH)
- 6:30PM - Contemporary Band Practice

**Thursday, December 19**

- 7:00PM - NA Meeting (KC)

**Friday, December 20**

- 12:30PM - AA Meeting (FH)
- 6:00PM - Community Renewal Christmas Party (FLC)
- 8:00PM - AA Meeting (KC)

**Saturday, December 21**

- 10:00AM - NA Meeting (KC)
- 4:00PM - Blue Christmas (Sanctuary)**

**Sunday, December 22**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**Christmas Offering**

- 9:15AM - Traditional Worship
- 10:15AM - Sunday School
- 11:00AM - Sunday School in Spanish (HC)
- 11:11AM - Contemporary Worship
- 11:30AM - Worship in Hispanic (HC)
- 1:00PM - Hispanic Ministry Christmas Party (HC)
- No Youth Afternoon Activities**

**\*You can view the KHCC monthly calendar on our website at [www.khcc.org](http://www.khcc.org).**

FLC - Family Life Center  
FH - Fellowship Hall  
KC - Keystone Classroom

## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

**9:15 Traditional Worship**  
**10:15 Sunday School**  
**11:00 Sunday School in Spanish**  
**11:11 Contemporary Worship**  
**11:30 Worship in Spanish**

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## THE RIVER SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Kindergarten - Fifth Grade

This Sunday we continue the story "David the Chosen King". We have lots of great activities planned. We hope to see you there.

**Teachers:** Linda Dame, Carol Peyton,  
Barbara Peyton

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## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

### Chi Rho (Middle School) Class

The Chi Rho class meets on the second floor across from the River Sunday School. In this class we listen to and discuss Bible passages that help us to understand how God wants us to treat other people and make good decisions in our life.

**Teachers:** Trish Krippner, Carol Pabst,  
Martha Burgess

### CYF (High School) Class

Our CYF class meets on the third floor of the Education Building across from the archive room. In this class we study Bible passages that help us to better understand the Good News of Jesus

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## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

### Preschool - Second Grade

Following the Children's Moment in our 9:15 & 11:11 worship service the children from preschool age through second grade are invited to follow their teacher to Children's Church. This special program takes place in the preschool room on the first floor across from the nursery. During Children's Church the kids will hear a story from the Bible, share a snack, and have some guided playtime.

**Sunday, December 15**

**9:15 Teacher** - Sheryl Nelson

**11:11 Teacher** - Debbie Renfro

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## SERVING SCHEDULE

### Sunday, December 15

#### 9:15 Greeters

Madeline Holder & Dennis Wissing

#### 9:15 Table

Jimmy Monk & Jessica Monk

#### 9:15 Advent Candle lighters

Elliott Family

#### 11:11 Advent Candle lighters

Jarratt & Humphries Family

#### 9:15 Diaconate

Irene Butler, Jim Bodenheimer, Allison Bushnell, Russell Elliott, Carol Pabst, Ken Shively, Betty Wise

#### 9:15 Soundboard

 - James Monk

#### 9:15 Communion Preparation

Irene Butler

#### 9:15 Counters

Rick Elliott & Russell Elliott

Christ and how we can be good  
disciples of Jesus.

**Teacher:** Kathy Elliott

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## **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP**

**Chi Rho (Middle School)**

**CYF (High School)**

This Sunday we continue our youth programs for middle school (Chi Rho) and high school (CYF.) Both groups will have a regular meeting time from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. and we will be serving a snack supper about 5:00. No charge, but there is a free will offering box.

Our youth groups will generally meet at the same time, but separately. The format is the tried and true “games, group building and teaching, food, and worship” format. However, our curriculum is new to us this year – it’s called Orange. It’s based on the idea of blending the love of the home (represented by the color red) and the light of the church (represented by the color yellow) and it provides a new perspective in partnering with parents in the spiritual growth of our youth. You can check out Orange at

<https://thinkorange.com/>

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### **Thanksgiving Special Offering Update**

Thank you for giving to the Thanksgiving Special Offering. We collected \$860.00! One half of this offering will go to Hope Connections (local outreach) and the other half will go to the Disciples Mission Fund designated to Colleges, Universities, Seminaries, and Divinity Houses affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

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If you would like to send a card or visit Dwight Bailey, his address is listed below.  
(Visitors welcome after 4pm)

Rev. Dwight Bailey  
WK Rehab Institute  
1111 Line Avenue  
Room #219  
Shreveport, Louisiana 71101

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If you would like to send a card to Martha Ellis, her address is listed below.

Martha Ellis  
9227 Moss Trail  
Dallas, TX 75231

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Our long time church friend Helen Hoffman, will be 100 years old on December 12. There will be a birthday party for Helen on December 14th at 1 pm at the address below.

If you would like to send a card, her address is listed below.

Helen Hoffman  
20 Pegues Place  
Longview, TX 75601

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An advertisement for AmazonSmile with a light blue background. On the left, there are two hanging Christmas ornaments: one with white and blue stripes and another with a white starburst pattern. To the right of the ornaments, the text reads: "#1 holiday hack: When you buy your gifts at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), Amazon donates." Below this text is the AmazonSmile logo, which consists of the word "amazon" in black and "smile" in a lighter blue, with a curved arrow underneath "amazon".

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*Did you know that when you shop for the holidays at [smile.amazon.com/ch/72-0423897](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/72-0423897),  
AmazonSmile donates to Kings Highway Christian Church?*

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## Prayer Concerns

Our Senior Minister Search Committee

*Phillip Semon* – Broken ribs

*Denise Dupont Harrington* – Recovering from surgery at home

*Dwight Bailey* – Spinal Cord Injury, WK Rehabilitation Institute #219 (visitors welcome after 4pm)

*Richard Thompson* – Recovering from surgery at WK Extended Care #108

*Clint Snell* – Recovering from fall

*Jimmy Monk* – Undergoing Chemotherapy

*Becky Flippo* – Recovering at home from hip surgery  
*Dorothy Semon* – Health concerns  
Jason Terry – Kidney surgery 12/9 (Friend of *Angela Thomas*)  
Jacy Januário da Silva – Serious health concerns (Father of *Irene Butler*)  
Irani Bremerkamp – Health concerns (Sister of *Irene Butler*)  
Dr. Laurie Grier – Serious health concerns (Friend of *Trish Krippner & Dennis Wissing*)  
Nan Magness – Surgery (Friend of *Mary Anne Bowie*)  
Bo Campbell – Alzheimer's (Friend of *Bobby Shields*)  
Bill Chambless – Undergoing Chemotherapy (Son of *Mary Jo Chambless*)  
Amanda Womack – Brain cancer (Friend of *Renee Eakin*)  
Michael Houston – Health concerns (Friend of *Mary Anne Bowie & Dennis Wissing*)

**Please keep Elders updated on prayer request made. Names will be removed after 2 weeks if no update is given.**

### **MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS**

All members of our armed forces  
*Mitch Pabst* – Deployed, Iraq  
*Adam Jarratt* – Marine Corps Reserves  
*Daniel Jester* – Air Force Reserves  
*Jay Shaw* – Marine Corps

### **ON-GOING PRAYER CONCERNS**

Karen Allen, *Virginia Bacon*, *Ione Barham*, *Roger Barham*, Donnie Barmore, Carol Barnes, Candice Berg, Gary Bowie, *Jason Bratlie*, Cade Brewer & Family, Robert Allen Brown, Sonny Brown, *Randy Burch*, *Dave Burk*, *Elsie Butler*, Nancy Cothorn, *Frank & Nell Crane*, Edinar Alves daSilva, Jacy daSilva, *Linda DeMann*, *Melissa Drinkard*, *Martha Ellis*, Susan Ewing, Sally Falkenrath, *Bette Farmer*, Jonn France, *Kent France*, *Kim Fricks*, *Mona Lisa Garrett*, Mark Gray, Esther Griffith, *Mary Ann Hallett*, Hallie Hart, Barbara L. Hebert, Fred Harrell, Mark Head, Burly Herrin, Debra Herrin, *Helen Hoffman*, Shelby Houston, *Pat Jones*, Amy Kinniard, *Mahamalea Blizzard Latterner*, Keith Lauter, *Linda Luttrell*, Emma Martin, Laura Martin, Adam McCollough, Joe Micotto, Eva Moton, John Novak, Albert Perrine, Denver Phillips, Fred Phillips, Doris Pijanowski, Nancy Poland, Jim Reccelli, Shawna Reeves, *Sue Rodenroth*, *Marina Rodriguez*, *Charles Sherrer*, *Dolores Sherrer*, Mary Sistrunk, Bill Smith, Jimmy Smith, Margaret Sour, *Jerry Spearman*, *Peggy Taylor*, Mercedes Terry, *Marcy Tobey*, *Clara Williams*, Gary Willingham, Chris Wilson, José Zambrano, *Don Zesch*

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**Below is the list of KHCC Elders. Please feel free to contact an elder when you are in need.**

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318-455-0907	318-465-9461
Bobby Shields	Kay Shaw
318-465-4330	318-286-4610
Carolyn Brewer	Bill Shaw
318-347-8927	318-218-1050
Deanna Beaubouef	Mary Anne Bowie
318-573-0440	318-422-9666
Jeff Beaubouef	Pete Bratlie
318-734-7630	318-518-3615
Jessica Monk	Thomas Butler
318-393-8057	318-469-6555

Jimmy Monk  
318-393-0743  
Trish Krippner  
919-602-5530  
Dennis Wissing  
318-573-9788

Eunice Dickinson  
318-455-9385  
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