



SCC NEWSLETTER



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Merry Christmas
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 17th 11am

Our annual Christmas Program will be held in the church. Parents can be seated at 10:15am and the children will process in at 11:00am. **Children who do not attend this day are welcome to join the performance with a parent in attendance.**

We welcome family and friends to come join us!

Also, please note: following the program the children will process back to their classrooms for 11:30 pick-ups. Thank you!

Happy Birthday Jesus Parties

Thursday, December 18th & Friday December 19th

Each classroom will hold a special **Birthday Party for Baby Jesus**, complete with a special Christmas treat! The children will also hold a \$5.00 book exchange! **Note: Please wrap the book(s).**

If your child attends 5 days, please bring one book for each party day with the exception of Miss Marie's Class.

Holiday Schedule

Preschool classes will end:

Friday, Dec 19th and resume Monday, Jan 5th

Full Day & 8 Hr. Program ONLY

Dates: Dec 29 & 30

School Closed: Dec 22nd - 26th & Dec 31st - Jan 2nd



December Highlights

- Pajama Drive
- Angel Tree Tags
- Christmas Program
- Happy Birthday Jesus Parties
- Merry Christmas!
- Happy New Year!
- Advent at CLC
- Christmas Eve Service at CLC

Message from Miss Meagan

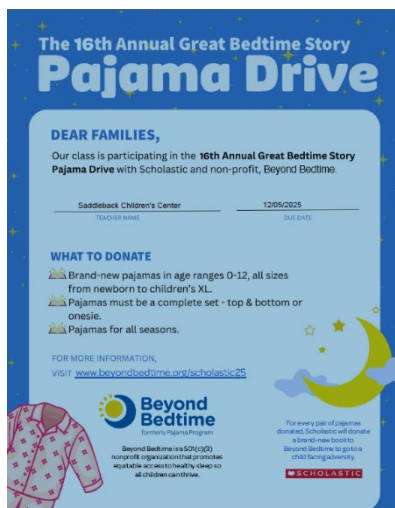
Christmas is such a special time of year with family gatherings, decorations, and gift giving. Our teachers and staff members enjoy learning about many of the traditions that our students share from home. It is also fun to hear all the stories the children bring back with them after they have made new memories during this time. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas filled with joy, hope and peace!

Thank you Volunteers!

Shout out to the parents who donated food and helped prepare our Thanksgiving Feast!

We are so thankful for you and appreciate all the hard work that helped to make this a special day for our children and teachers!

Scholastic Pajama Drive



SCC is participating in the 16th Annual Great Bedtime Story Pajama Drive with Scholastic and non-profit, Beyond Bedtime. For every pair of brand-new pajamas donated, Scholastic will also donate a brand-new book to Beyond Bedtime, which will go to a child facing adversity.

Please leave your donations in the box in the foyer no later than Friday, December 5th. Thank you!

****IMPORTANT NOTE****

We have children with severe allergies. Please show compassion and follow our “no nut policy.”



SCC
Preschool **is**

NUT FREE

**THIS IS A
PEANUT AND
TREE NUT
FREE ZONE**

Angel Tree Tags Giving Back to the Community



This holiday season SCC will be participating in the Salvation Army Angel Tree Program. Please visit our trees filled with Angel Tree tags. Select a child's tag and purchase a \$15-\$25 gift. Return the gift **unwrapped** to one of the collection boxes we have placed in the foyer. All donations must be returned by **Friday, December 12th**. Thank you!

Fundraising at SCC



 Saddleback Children's Center

Coming Fall 2026 SCC is Opening a 2 - 2.5 year-old classroom!

Our classroom and play yard need to be set up before we can apply to add this classroom to our license. We could really use your help by donating where you can!

Check out the links below to help

bit.ly/SCCToddler

bit.ly/AmazonSCC



Fundraising Opportunities

Throughout the year we will have a few fundraising opportunities here at SCC. Some of these opportunities that you may look out for are:

- Family Nights Out
- See's Candies: Spring
- SCC T-Shirts: November
- Tile purchase: Spring

We have some great projects that we are working on at SCC to make our school shine from the inside out even more than it already does! We would like to show you what your fundraising efforts have gone toward and the new projects we are working on.

Ongoing Fundraising Projects

Outdoor Classroom Project

This will be an ongoing project for our play yards. As mentioned in previous newsletters, our very own Outdoor Classroom was certified as a demonstration site in February of 2019. This means that our school offers a curriculum which provides learning opportunities that are multi-sensory as well as holistic.



To find out more about this you can go to www.outdoorclassroomproject.org.

Fundraising Needs

1. Supplies for our Toddler Room & Outdoor Playspace
 - See links above
 - Gently used items welcome!
2. Outdoor Playhouse: \$8,900

THANK YOU!

So far this year

WOW! As a school, we raised over \$2,000 this year already: \$320 from the Poppin' Popcorn Fundraiser, \$1,450 from Sprouting Joy, \$264.73 from Selma's and \$110 from T-Shirt sales! A huge THANK YOU to all who participated! With this money we are closer to our goal of purchasing a playhouse for the Outdoor Classroom!

Thank you for all of your generosity! It is truly appreciated. We are closer to our goal of purchasing an outdoor playhouse for the large yard.



Community in Christ / Reaching out!

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Getting Ready for Christmas

Pastor Matt Anderson

It's been a blast to be with your students for chapel time so far this year! I'm looking forward to seeing them (and you!) at the upcoming Christmas program. Speaking of Christmas, I would like to invite your family to join us at CLC during this holiday season. Our theme for the holidays is "Are You Ready?" This is a question we often ask one another during this time of the year, and it speaks to the stress that can result from all the activities and preparation. But what does it really mean to "be ready"? Being ready to receive Jesus doesn't mean having it all together - in fact it means the opposite! When we realize we can't do it on our own - that we need help! - that's when we are ready to receive him. I hope you can join us for Advent worship and to celebrate Christmas this December, no matter what your state of mind! (Note: Nursery care is available for children under 5 every Sunday and at the 4:00 service on Christmas Eve.)



Christmas Presents

One of the main reasons we have the custom of giving and receiving presents at Christmas, is to remind us of the presents given to [Jesus by the Wise Men](#): Frankincense, Gold and Myrrh...

Christmas itself is really about a big present that God gave the world about 2000 years ago - Jesus! One of the most famous Bible verses, John 3:16, says: '*God loved the world so much, that he gave his one and only Son, so that whoever believes in him may not be lost but have eternal life.*'

All over the world, families and friends give presents to each other. Most children around the world believe in a [Christmas gift bringer](#). It's often [St. Nicholas, Santa Claus or Father Christmas](#), but in parts of [Germany](#) they believe that it is the Christkind, in [Spain](#) they believe it is the Wise Men and in parts of [Italy](#) they believe it is an old lady called Befana.

These presents are also left in different places! In most of Europe, the presents are left in shoes or boots put out by the children. In Italy, the [UK](#) and the [USA](#) presents are left in stockings, often left hanging by a fire place. In many countries, presents for friends and family may be left under the [Christmas Tree](#). In the UK, they are often opened on Christmas day morning with all the family together.

The custom of hanging stockings comes from the story of St. Nicholas.

Presents are opened on different days all over the world as well. The earliest presents are opened on St. Nicholas' Eve on December 5th when children in [Holland](#) often receive their presents. On St. Nicholas' Day (6th December) children in Belgium, Germany, Czech Republic and some other European countries open some of their presents.

Children in the UK, USA and many other countries, such as [Japan](#), open their presents on Christmas Day, December 25th. The latest presents are opened on January 6th (a month after the earliest). This is known as [Epiphany](#) and is mainly celebrated in Catholic countries such Spain and [Mexico](#).










<https://www.whychristmas.com/customs/presents.shtml>



December 2025



December Concepts
 Color: Green
 Number: 4
 Shape: Triangle

M	T	W	Th	F
1	2 Chapel	3	4	5
8	9	10 Chapel	11	12
15	16	17 Christmas Program 11:00am in the church	18 "Happy Birthday, Jesus!" Parties 	
22 Merry Christmas  SCHOOL CLOSED	23 Merry Christmas  SCHOOL CLOSED	24 Merry Christmas  SCHOOL CLOSED	25 Merry Christmas  SCHOOL CLOSED	26 Merry Christmas  SCHOOL CLOSED
29 PRESCHOOL CLOSED CHILD CARE FOR FULL DAY & 8 HR. PROGRAMS ONLY		31  SCHOOL CLOSED	1  SCHOOL CLOSED	2  SCHOOL CLOSED



December Bible Verse:
 "God's son is born for us."
 (See Isaiah 9:6)

