

# THE HIGHLIGHTS

## Woodland Heights Baptist Church

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*One in Worship...Many in Service*



# December 2023



# Peace on Earth, and Good Will toward Men!

## Father, Hear Our Prayers for ...

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|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Vicki Rosenbloom           | Anne Lowery        |
| Carole Timberlake & Friend | Virginia Massey    |
| Jean Elliott               | Mac & Sandy McGee  |
| Kathy Berg                 | Ramona Perry       |
| The McCloy Family          | The Rudd Family    |
| Clinton Anderson           | Christine Severson |
| The Ficklin Family         | Jane Tanner        |
| Edna Fleming               | Betty Tiller       |
| Clayton Gates              | Carol Wingo        |
| Peggy Gross                | Charles Wingo      |
| Carolyn Keller             | Su Zachary         |

### Financial Stewardship



#### Receipts & Expenses YTD

Receipts thru 10/31/23 .....	\$ 113,711.13
Expenses thru 10/31/23 .....	\$ 149,821.82
Expenses over Receipts .....	\$ (36,110.69)

#### Special Offerings - October

Anonymous to Building Needs .....	\$ 111,801.33
Food Ministry .....	\$ 700.00

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Please, join us this holiday season for our Advent series,

### **The Senses of Christmas: Meeting Jesus through Taste, Touch, Smell, Sound & Sight.**

- 12/03 *The Tastes of Christmas,*
- 12/10 *The Touch of Christmas,*
- 12/17 *The Sounds of Christmas,* with Commonwealth Winds Brass Quartet under the direction of Dr. Terry Austin.
- 12/24 *The Smells of Christmas,* with Children's, Sanctuary, & Handbell Choirs, 10:30 am.
- 12/24 *The Sights of Christmas, Christmas Eve Candlelight Service,* 5:00 pm.

### Gifts for Kids!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2023 Operation Christmas Child campaign. We experienced another successful year by collecting 23 boxes to send to kids throughout the world. We are truly blessed to be able to share our gifts with others. Many thanks!

Marie Kelley & Anita Floyd

### One Year Remembrances

*Phyllis Godfrey Wright*

June 14, 1929 - December 10, 2022

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*Ronald Kent Sprouse*

August 12, 1944 - December 22, 2022

# December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	<div style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>A Look Ahead!</b>                      Feb. 7, 2024, Annual Business Meeting, 6:30 pm.                      April 24, 2024, Quarterly Business Meeting, 6:30 pm.                 </div>				1	2	
						Decorating Church for Christmas, 10:00 am.	
<b>Weekly Church Activities</b> <b>Sundays</b> 9:30 am Handbell Rehearsal Sunday School 10:30 am Worship <b>Wednesdays</b> 12:30 pm, Book/Bible group, paused until Jan. <b>Thursdays</b> 10:00 am Food Pantry Ministry	3 <span style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 2px;">Communion</span> <i>The Tastes of Christmas &amp; Hanging of the Greens</i>	4	5	6	7	8 <span style="background-color: #b71c1c; color: white; padding: 2px;">Hanukkah Begins</span> Deadline: Poinsettia Orders	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	<i>The Touch of Christmas</i>	Deadline: January The Highlights Submissions		Scheduled Business Meeting, 6:30 pm.			
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	<i>The Sounds of Christmas</i>				Winter Begins		
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	The Smells of Christmas New Year's Eve 31	<span style="background-color: #c8e6c9; padding: 2px;">Christmas Day</span>	<span style="background-color: #b71c1c; color: white; padding: 2px;">Kwanzaa Begins</span>				

**WHBC Food Pantry**  
 In the month of **October** our Food Ministry served **80** individuals, supplying **60** bags of food to people in need!  
Donations Needed:  
 Cereal, Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Macaroni & Cheese, Tuna, Vienna Sausages, Bottled Water & Brown Paper Bags with handles.

Join us this Advent season for



***the Senses of Christmas:  
Meeting Jesus through  
Taste, Touch, Sound, Smell & Sight.***

Sundays, Dec. 3, 10, 17 & 24, at 10:30 am  
& Dec. 24, at 5:00 pm.



Come, celebrate Jesus's birth by  
imagining what it was like to be there.

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We are inviting children to sing with our choirs on December 24, during our 10:30 am service. There will be two practices -- the first will be Saturday, December 16, at 3:00 pm, and the second will be Saturday, December 23, at noon. If this is something your child/children (or youth) would like to do, please let us know by **December 10**. You may sign them up by emailing their name(s) and age(s) to [office@whbcva.org](mailto:office@whbcva.org) or by calling our church office at 804-233-2222 (Tuesday - Friday, between 8:30 am and 1:15 pm). We sincerely hope that your child/children will sing with us and share the spirit of this wonderful season!