



# STAY CONNECTED

## ADVENT SERMON SERIES – RECEIVE THE KING

2020 has been a very difficult year. We invite you to end this year, not in sadness, but in celebration of the hope of Christmas: Jesus, The King! Come experience the gift of God's Son, Jesus, and the peace, love, and joy He brings to our lives when we Receive Him as our King!

**December 13:** The King of Joy

**December 20:** The King of Love

**December 24:** Receive the King! Christmas Eve Service

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Join us on Thursday, December 24 for two very special services at 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM. Join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus through beautiful music, drama, and God's amazing Word. It will be a great way to end a year of uncertainty as we fix our eyes on THE KING! Two services will allow for reduced capacity and social distancing. Please follow the safety protocols at this service as well.

## KIDS MINISTRY CHRISTMAS VIDEO

We are making a kid's Christmas video this year, instead of doing the regular kid's Christmas program. This will be a video of the kids telling the Christmas story in their own words. Please contact Ms. Miranda for details!

**[mirandah@orchardhill.org](mailto:mirandah@orchardhill.org)**

## KIDS MINISTRY FACEBOOK

We have a Facebook group for families with kids ages newborn - 5th grade, called "Orchard Hill Kids Ministry." Find it at: [facebook.com/groups/ohckidsmin](https://www.facebook.com/groups/ohckidsmin). This group have resources for you to disciple your children and, in the near future, will have the live stream of the Sunday kid's service for families worshipping at home.

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## YOUTH GROUP

Join us as we gather virtually to have some fun and discuss our week of devotions. This week is all about self-control!

High School - Tonight @ 6:00 PM.

Middle School - Wednesday @ 6:30 PM.

**[gregs@orchardhill.org](mailto:gregs@orchardhill.org)**

# SERVE

## CHRISTMAS OUTREACH UPDATE

Orchard Hill, thank you for partnering with local families in need by providing Christmas blessings in the name of Jesus!

1. Children's gifts must be returned TODAY. Please place gifts in the marked bin by the West Entrance.
2. Gift cards may be turned into the front office TODAY.
3. Volunteer for present pick up by loading gifts for parents or giving them their Christmas kits (designed to help families celebrate Jesus) and praying for them (Dec. 15 & 16). Email Pastor Laura to sign up!

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## CONNECTION CORNER

We are looking for people to serve in the Connection Corner, as they help get people connected and growing deeper at Orchard Hill. For more information, contact Pastor Kathy.

**[kathyb@orchardhill.org](mailto:kathyb@orchardhill.org)**

## ONLINE GREETERS

We are looking for 1 more online greeter to welcome people, tag announcements, and have short conversations with those who are watching our services online. This position would be once a month. Must be on Facebook and have access to a computer or smart phone. Contact Wendy Huizinga to become a greeter.

**[wendyh@orchardhill.org](mailto:wendyh@orchardhill.org)**

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## BLUE CHRISTMAS: A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

Our in-person Blue Christmas Service has been moved online. If you are struggling this holiday season or missing a loved one, join us any time online for the Blue Christmas service, starting December 15. Go to [www.orchardhill.org](http://www.orchardhill.org) and click on the Blue Christmas tab. If you know of someone who might benefit from this, email Pastor Kathy their address so they can receive a small gift and invitation.

**[kathyb@orchardhill.org](mailto:kathyb@orchardhill.org)**

## CHRISTMAS INVITES

Grab some invitations from the entry ways. Use these as conversation starters to share the good news and invite others to celebrate Christmas with you at Orchard Hill!

## SHUT-IN CHRISTMAS CARDS

Please be sure to drop off your Christmas cards for our shut-ins TODAY in the basket by the Connection Corner.

## LIVE TO TELL BOARD

Visit the Live to Tell board in the lobby as we stay on mission! Write the name of a person you want to tell about the hope of Jesus and pin it on the board. Pray for these names and our church as we have the spiritual conversations we committed to with the Git 'Er Done Campaign!

## LIBRARY

The church library has opened once again! Please social distance while you are browsing the books.

## GENEROSITY/FINANCES

As we navigate through this season of COVID-19, unfortunately we are continuing to see a drop off in general fund giving. Through the first 22 weeks of this budget year, we are \$10,665, or \$485/week, behind budget (-4%). The weeks prior to COVID-19 we had an average of 89 giving units contributing to our finances, while in the weeks following COVID-19 we have only averaged 65 giving units.

We want to encourage everyone to faithfully support the ministry and work of your church family. The ministry of Orchard Hill has not lessened any because of the Corona Virus. If anything, it has created more opportunities and need for ministry as we strive to serve those hit hardest by this pandemic.

Please, continue to give faithfully to Orchard Hill Church. The best way to ensure this happens on a regular basis is to visit the Orchard Hill website, follow the "giving" tab, and sign-up to give online. If you are joining us on-site, please use the Giving Boxes at the door.