

Young Family Weekly Email

Upcoming Worship and Young Family Events:

Advent Young Family Worship Service December 6- This worship service has been cancelled.

Advent Week 1: The Prophets Lead the Way to Bethlehem Video

Advent in a Box Ready for Pickup!

Christmas Eve Young Family Worship Service December 24 at 3:30 PM

IPM Christmas Stocking Drive- Please turn in stockings by Monday, December 7.

Sunday, December 6

Young Family Worship Service

CANCELLED

Unfortunately, the Advent Young Family Worship Service has been canceled due to rising COVID cases in the area. Although churches are exempt from the Hamilton County health advisory, the church does not want to have a large outdoor gathering that would violate the gathering limit of 10 people when the COVID positivity rate is so high in our area.

We will be releasing Advent videos weekly that coordinate with the Advent in a box reading.

Advent-In-a-Box Kit

Available for Pickup!

Family "Advent-in-a-Box" kits are now available for your Advent at Home experience.

Traditional advent wreaths are also available.

Feel free to text or email Jennifer Taylor if you would like your advent box left on the front porch for contactless pickup. Otherwise, ring the doorbell at the church Monday- Thursday between 9AM - 2PM and someone can bring a box out to you.

The advent boxes are geared to families with children in kindergarten - sixth grade. I added materials for younger children, so the boxes are now in a paper bag labeled with your last name.

[Advent Box Additional Instructions](#)

Faith at Home

Advent Week 1: The Prophets Lead the Way to Bethlehem

For the next four weeks, we will release an advent video on Tuesday. This week we learn about the prophets leading the way to Bethlehem. Next week we will learn about the angel talking to Mary and Joseph.

Discussion Questions:

I wonder how the prophets listen to God?

I wonder how the prophets knew it was God who spoke?

I wonder if there are still prophets today who can show us the way to Bethlehem?

I wonder what the way to Bethlehem is like?

**Inter Parish Ministry
Christmas Stockings**

IPM has had to make a change in their Christmas gift giving campaign. This year's event will be a Drive – Through Christmas where each family will receive the following:

1. A special holiday meal kit, being furnished by the Free Store Food Bank.
2. A Christmas turkey or ham, being furnished by an anonymous donor.
3. A Christmas stocking for each family member which will contain several small gifts (see suggestion lists below) and a \$25 gift card for either Target or Walmart.

We are being asked to help by providing the filled Christmas stockings. (Approximate cost per stocking will be \$40.) IPM hopes to collect 1600 stockings!

Completed stockings can be delivered to church Monday through Thursday between the hours of 10AM and 2PM or left in the breezeway (front porch) on Sundays between the hours of 8AM and 2 PM. They should include a gift tag which identifies the gender and age group for which the stocking is intended. See below for gift suggestions for each age and gender designation.

For anyone who prefers to make a cash donation, please write a check to Indian Hill Church, with "IPM Christmas" noted on the memo line. Checks should arrive at church no later than Friday, December 4th so that we have time to complete the shopping.

If you're able to help, please let us know by emailing Linda Seal at lindaseal48@yahoo.com, with the number of stockings and the age group(s) for which you plan to shop.

All completed stockings should arrive at church no later than Monday, December 7th.

If you have questions, please contact Linda Seal at 513-607-4767.

Note: It is suggested that stockings be between 12 and 18 inches in length.

Age and gender designations, along with gift suggestions are as follows:

Male infant - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: socks, bath items, wipes, bibs, teething toys, baby snacks, hat, mittens, small light up or musical toy.

Female infant - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: socks, bath items, wipes, bibs, teething toys, baby snacks, hat, mittens, small light up or musical toy.

Male child - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: hat, gloves, candy, scented markers, crayons, bath items, Play Doh, Silly Putty, stickers, character Band Aids, small Legos, Hot Wheels, Nightlight.

Female Child - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: hat, gloves, candy, scented markers, crayons, bath items, Play Doh, Silly Putty, stickers, character Band Aids, small Legos, nightlight, figurines.

Male Teen - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: hat, gloves, candy, gum, bath/shower products, wireless earbuds/ portable charger, pop sockets, Sneaker balls, athletic socks, cologne.

Female Teen - \$25 gift card (Target or Walmart), 2-3 stocking stuffers from the following list: art supplies, hat, gloves, candy, gum, bath/shower products, wireless ear buds, portable charger, pop sockets, jewelry, socks, nail polish, perfume

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Power Pack Collection Collections resume on December 2

Indian Hill Church has collected **1,432** Power Packs since May! Thank you for your generosity!

If you would like to help with Power Packs, here is more information:

What makes a good power pack?

1. Look for a **meal** for each bag (microwave mac and cheese, microwave ravioli, soups with pull tab, canned chicken/tuna lunch kits, Hormel shelf stable meals).
2. Add other items such as individual cereals, applesauce, fruit cups, shelf-stable puddings, oatmeal, peanut butter crackers, JIF peanut butter to go cups, raisins, chips, juice box, granola bar, pretzels, microwave popcorn, cheese crackers).
3. Seal items in a gallon Ziploc bag.
4. It is great when the bag is full of items.
5. Feel free to add an encouraging note to the child receiving the Power Pack.

Power Packs can be dropped off Monday - Thursday between 7:30 AM - 2:00 PM on the Indian Hill Church front porch.

Our Daily Bread

Sandwich Collection on December 9

Do you have 30 minutes to make sandwiches for those experiencing homeless in Cincinnati?

Indian Hill Church is providing sandwiches, fruit and dessert for Our Daily Bread on Wednesday, December 9. We would like to deliver 200 Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwiches and 200 meat sandwiches.

[Sign Up Genius Link](#)

Procedure:

- 1- Sign up via sign up genius or by emailing (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org)
- 2- Make bologna, ham and cheese, turkey and cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. (No condiments please.)
- 3- Treats/ Desserts can be homemade or store bought. They need to be individually packaged. I would avoid nuts just to be safe.
- 4- Deliver sandwiches, fruit and desserts to Indian Hill Church front porch. Please deliver on Tuesday between 7:30 AM - 2:00 PM or Wednesday between 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM.

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