

TODAY



Fourth Sunday Advent- The candle of Love

The fourth Candle is the candle of love, we light this candle to remind us how Jesus, the light of the world, came to show us God's love. **Reading: Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; Luke 1:47-50 .**

Christmas Caroling

Holden Nursing Home /Rehabilitation Center

Meet Bob Hetu and his family right after service, in the lobby. Everyone is invited to join us.

The more the merrier!



For Your Convenience

Offering Envelopes for the New Year 2017

Available at the Information Desk. *Please sign your name and the number of the booklet in the Purple Binder.* By using the envelopes we are able to send you a statement at the end of the year for your tax purposes. If, you are using the E-Giving system, Offering Envelopes are not necessary.

How to Begin E-Giving

Go to www.holdenchapel.org and click on the E-Giving tab for instructions and a tutorial.

Guest Card

If you are new to Holden Chapel we encourage you to fill out our guest card insert so we can welcome you personally and answer any questions you have.

Hearing Assistance

We provide listening aid devices for the hearing impaired. Please inquire at the Information Desk prior to Worship Service to obtain a receiver.

As a courtesy please mute all cellphones.

Feel free to follow the Twitter conversation using #HCPreach

JOIN US DURING THE WEEK

MONDAY:

9:30-10:30am **Prayer Keepers** **Prayer Office**
Sweet Hour of Prayer
Contact Elaine McKay: 978-928-3866.

7:30-9:00pm **Young Adult Bible Study** (Ages 18-30)
Contact Pastor Mike: 508-829-4441 ext. 225

TUESDAY:

6:00-7:00am **Men's Early Risers Bible Study** **Res. Room**
Contact Dan Fleurant: 774-239-3712.

9:30-11:30am **Men's Community Bible study** **Wel. Center**
Contact John Colby: 508-795-1704.

9:00-11:30am **Women's Community Bible Study** **Small Chap.**
Will resume January 3, 2017 with an 11 week study, "Becoming a Woman of Prayer."
Contact Charlotte Waite: 508-829-7711.

6:30-8:30pm **DivorceCare** **Wel. Center**
Will Resume January 10

WEDNESDAY:

**PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN MIDWEEK PROGRAMS
DINNER, ELEVATE AND TEAM KID RESUME
JANUARY 4, 2017.**



**To access internet log onto: sanctuary_guest.
Password is: Welcome To The Chapel
(there is a space between each word)**

Save the Dates

(Tear this page off for reminders to invite friends and family to the following events on both sides)



Christmas Eve Service 4:00pm

Invite your family and friends for an interactive, hands-on, intergenerational, Christmas Eve Service.

Christmas Gathering December 25th, 10:00am Sanctuary

"Let's gather to remember that Jesus **IS** the reason for Christmas in the first place." With Scripture reading, prayer, and singing we will gather to acknowledge the greatest gift of all the gift of our Savior, Jesus Christ." This gathering on Christmas morning will be an intimate time for those who can gather with us on Christmas morning.

Bring in the New Year With a Bible Study!

January 3rd ~ Becoming a Woman of Prayer *Contact facilitator Charlotte Waite, for more information: 508-829-7711.*

January 11th ~ Love and War *Contact facilitator Dan Fleurant, for more information: 774-239-3712.*

January 19th ~ Precepts Upon Precepts the book of Exodus *Contact facilitator Wendy Stewart, for more information: 508-845-9585.*



PLEASE NOTE:

Community Prayer Breakfast

The date has been changed. The Prayer Breakfast will be January 7th and 28th, 2017. Contact Elaine McKay for more information: 9780928-3866.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Nate and Caroline Daman

The navigators at UMass Amherst

Ask for specific prayer, that God would continue to provide students with the opportunity to share their faith with others on campus, and that He would help create a loving caring community in the Navigators group.

Our missionaries would love to hear from you!

Please refer to the Address for sending letters/cards of encouragement.

Year End Giving:

Please consider a few Year End Reminders:

All financial gifts and contributions to Holden Chapel are considered charitable giving and are tax deductible. According to IRS rules, a contribution is recognized on the date of delivery – so, mail must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2016. Checks that are written, mailed and postmarked in 2016 will be deductible in 2016 even though they may not be received by Holden Chapel until 2017.

Don't forget – we also have E-giving for your convenience: go to www.holdenchapel.org and click on the E-giving tab for instructions and a tutorial.

Financial Update:

	Budget	Giving	Variance
Fiscal Year to Date	222,185.00	202,838.00	-19,347.00



Youth Group (6th-12th grade) Winter Retreat

Friday, Feb. 10th- Sunday, Feb. 12th, 2016

Location: Monadnock Bible Conference Center in Jaffrey, NH

\$125/student (If paid by Jan. 1st, 2017)
\$150/student (If paid by LAST deadline: Feb. 1st, 2017)

Highlights include:

- ◆ Indoor Heated Swimming Pool & Game Room
- ◆ XTREME Snow Tubing & “Do it Yourself” Tie-Dye
- ◆ Group Games, Activities & Tournaments
- ◆ Dynamic Biblical Teaching & Group Discussions
- ◆ Christian Band “Road to Damascus”
- ◆ Indoor Mini Golf, Camp Store, Speedball & Paintball
- ◆ Lots of time to just hang out & have fun with friends

We have reserved 15 slots for the gentleman, and 15 slots for the ladies. Registration is open until all slots are filled, or until the LAST deadline of Feb. 1st, whichever comes first. You can officially register by turning in your check to Pastor Mike made out to “Holden Chapel”.



December 18, 2016

Our mission is to glorify Christ Jesus by our giving, growing and going.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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| Prayer Keepers (prayer office) | 9:00am |
| Pre-Service Prayer Sanctuary | 9:30am |
| Songs of Worship | 10:00am |
| Lighting of The Advent Candle | |
| Children Sing | |
| Special Music | |
| Offering | |
| Sermon | Pastor Mike |
| Benediction | |
| Prayer Teams available in Prayer Room & Altar | 11:30am |

10:00 – 11:30 Children’s Programs available today

- Nursery Room (9 months—age 2)
- Preschool Room (PreK-Kindergarten)
- Grades 1-5 sit with their parents through worship songs and are dismissed with their teachers after prayer at the altar. Please pick up your children promptly in the Small Chapel.

The Family Room is available during service for parents of young children. The nursing mothers’ room is available for mothers with babies to have a private space to listen and view the service.

Our Altar is a place for responding to the invitation of Jesus during Worship time. Our Elders are available to anoint you with oil and pray for you upon request according to Scripture James 5:14. Prayer teams are also available before and after service to pray with you. Please be considerate of those in need of prayer and leave the sanctuary to carry on conversations. Thank you.