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THE PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND is our primary resource for meeting pressing financial needs for individuals and families in our church and community. Pastor Duane administers this fund directly. We invite you to make a gift to this fund by bringing your donation when you come forward to receive communion and placing it into the designated collection basket.

ADVENT SERMON SERIES: During Advent, we will look at four gifts that we are called to receive: **December 7**—"The Gift of Judgment," **December 14**—"Unexpected Gifts," and **December 21**—"Unwanted Gifts."

POINSETTIAS: Forms to purchase a poinsettia plant (\$10) to decorate our worship spaces are available in your December *Methogram*, in *E-News* articles, and inserted in your bulletins today. Online purchases are also available under the GIVE heading on our website (<https://www.fumcgraham-nc.org/give/poinsettia-dedication>). Deadline for purchase is **tomorrow at noon**.

ALL AGE CHRISTMAS PARTY: *Everyone* is invited to a Christmas party **this evening** from 5-7pm in Stafford Hall (Rm. 125). Dinner will be served, and there will be Christmas songs, reindeer games, cookie decorating, and more. Please make plans to join us!

GIFT WRAPPING SUPPLIES NEEDED: Boxes to collect package tie-ons, tape, and heavy wrapping paper for our gift-wrapping project are in the coffeeshop and sanctuary breezeway.

THE GIVING TREE: You are invited to donate items to our Giving Tree, located in Stafford Hall near the stage. All donations are due by **December 15** and will be delivered to Southern Alamance Family Empowerment (SAFE). A list of needed items is available near the tree and in your December *Methogram* and issues of *E-News*. Monetary gifts are also welcome.

ALAMANCE CHORALE CHRISTMAS CONCERTS will be held at

Grove Park Baptist Church on Thursday, **December 11** at 7pm and Saturday, **December 13** at 3pm. All are welcome to these free concerts which include seven members of FUMC!

KIDS ON A MISSION: Children, 4 years old-5th graders, are invited to join us on Saturday, **December 13** for our December Kids on a Mission. We will meet at 2pm in the church kitchen (Rm. 124) and leave by 2:30 to take poinsettias to our more senior members at their homes, sing Christmas carols, and change their smoke detector batteries. Everyone will return to the church by 4:30pm.

STAFF LOVE OFFERING: If you would like to contribute to a love offering for our church staff, please make your donation by **December 14**. You may place your donation in an offering box or make an online donation on our website under the GIVE heading (<https://www.fumcgraham-nc.org/give/staff-love-offering>).

FESTIVAL OF CAROLS: Mark your calendar for the 34th Festival of Carols, hosted this year by FUMC! Join our choir and the choirs from First Baptist and Graham Presbyterian for a concert of Christmas music Sunday, **December 14** at 7pm in our sanctuary.

GIFT WRAPPING PROJECT FOR RTSA: If you would like to help wrap presents for RTSA on Thursday, **December 18** from 9:30am-noon, please contact Carolyn Barnes (csbarnes@triad.rr.com) to sign up.

CHRISTMAS BOOKS are pulled and located on the Spotlight Shelf in our library, thanks to our Library Ministry Team. Check them out (literally)!

PLAY SCHOOL NEWS: December is always a busy month at Play School with visits from Santa, arts and crafts, and Disney on Ice. Don't forget to check out our art gallery in the coffeeshop. We change it out each month! Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

—Tracy Johnson, director

Our Faithfulness			
Attendance	ONLINE	IN PERSON	TOTAL
11.30	5*	117	122
11.23	35	130	165
11.16	3*	137	140
11.9	52	144	196
Giving (Needed Weekly \$9,630.00)			
11.30		\$9,740.00	
11.23		\$13,751.66	
11.16		\$8,200.00	
11.9		\$4,837.00	

* Online numbers only reflect those who viewed archived services. Livestreaming numbers were unavailable.