

Crystal Springs United Methodist Church



Spirit

Winter 2014–2015

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Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends,

Peace on earth! God has come to dwell among us so we can proclaim peace—Immanuel! We celebrate the greatest gift of all: the birth of God's only Son, Jesus. This Christmas season, I invite you to be aware and proclaim the Prince of peace within and among us. Christmas is also an exciting and fulfilling time for us with opportunities to visit with family and friends. We remember in our prayers our church family members who are sick and homebound.

Our Crystal Springs church family is moving through the season of Advent now in preparation for the wonderful celebration of Christ's coming. This Advent season is very meaningful with Christmas Music Celebration, Advent studies and prayer, the puppet series for the children's message, Chancel drama, Advent prayer breakfast, making clothes for Africa project and so forth. Our church programs teach and empower us to perceive Christ's birth as not only a historical event, but a manifestation of Christ here and now.

During Advent, we are hosting a classical Christmas play as A Live Radio Christmas Play, "It's a Wonderful Life" a meaningful message for this Christmas for all of us. Crystal Springs has grown in spirit. We are becoming a more vibrant community. We are especially grateful for your very kind cooperation and generous support this past year during our Extravagant Generosity (Treasure) program. Thank you for your commitment and dedication.

As an extension of the Christmas spirit, we continue to invite you to support our community. A year end Christmas gift to your Church family is your chance to go beyond your daily and weekly support for the church. If you have not been frequenting our Sunday services, but still belong to Crystal Springs family, this is also your opportunity to join us in a commitment to serve. Christmas is a spiritual opportunity to respond to God with gratitude for His many blessings. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and needed.

We hope to see you this Christmas season in our many celebrations at Crystal Springs UMC. The following is a schedule

of our services this season. We hope to see you soon!

☆ **A Live Radio Christmas Play, "It's a Wonderful Life": Dec. 5 (Fri., 8:00 PM), Dec. 7 (Sun., 2:00 PM), Dec. 12 (Fri., 8:00), Dec. 13 (Sat., 8:00)**

☆ **Advent Studies, starts Dec. 4 (Thurs., 7:00 PM)**

☆ **Sunday December 14, 2014: 10:00 AM Christmas Celebration Service with Special Music, Advent Puppet Series and Christmas Potluck, Christmas Women's Tea Party**

☆ **Sunday December 21, 2014: Christmas Celebration with Chancel Drama & Puppet Show**

☆ **Saturday December 24, 2014: 7 PM Christmas Eve candlelight service and Children's program at 7:00 PM**

☆ **Mary's Baby Shower (Donate children's items for children in need) from 11/30–12/24/2014**

☆ **New Years Eve Service 11:00 PM (Tongan & English Service)**

Peace, Hope, Love, Joy to you at this blessed season!
**Hee Soon,
Your Pastor**

Mary's Baby Shower

Please bring unwrapped items for children (ages 0 to 16) and leave them under the church's Christmas tree. The shower is from November 30th (Sunday) to December 24th (Wednesday). The gifts will go to Samaritan House for children in need.



Puppets Return for Advent

Kathleen Maxwell, assisted by Tamera and David Rodney, and the Christmas puppets are returning to make Advent more interesting for children of all ages. They will be presenting Christmas Carol and the tale of the Littlest Bell Ringer.

Carol is a lonely little girl, her mom is very busy and doesn't have time to play with her brother Timmy. She gives the children music lessons and encourages them to practice. Carol and Timmy set off to find a musical group they can join. Their HOPE is nearly dashed by fear when they run into a Roman soldier who wants to find out if their family has registered to pay their share of taxes. A wise camel named Camilla encourages them to leave fear behind and follow the song in their hearts and come with her to Bethlehem for the music festival there.

On the second Sunday of Advent the children are filled with FAITH. They start walking toward Bethlehem where they heard there would be a winter music festival. They have imagined that by being at the festival and being willing to do even a small part, they can find a musical group to join. While walking they meet Holly Berry, the hip hop bunny who is very cool and into the music scene. She tells the children what they need most is FAITH in themselves and the gifts they have. She teaches them that it is cool to pray for courage whether you are afraid of Roman Soldiers or being rejected by grown ups.

Christmas Carol, the little bell ringer and Timmy, the little drummer boy arrive in Bethlehem with their friend, Camilla the camel. The town is pretty crowded, but they manage to find an inn keeper who will let them stay in his stable in exchange for help feeding the animals and cleaning it out daily. The pair next meet Brother Bill who needs help with his Christmas concert. The Littlest Bell ringer get her chance to "substitute" for a missing bell player. The Little Drummer Boy helps out too. They are filled with Christmas JOY because they get to participate in the fabulous music of the season.

Christmas Carol, the little bell ringer and Timmy, the little drummer boy wander around Bethlehem under the watchful eye of the camel Camilla. There is excitement in the air because a wonderful person is going to arrive from God, a Messiah to lead a nation occupied by the Romans that longs for peace and wholeness. The children try to discover who and what a Messiah might be by interviewing the animals in the barn, including Constance the cow, Harriet the horse and the baby lamb(s). Just when they couldn't be more confused, Harold the Angel comes by to enlighten them about God's plan and his gift of LOVE.

Christmas Eve (Dec 24) God's gift of Light

Harold the angel comes back and asks the children why they are still in the stable. They retell their story. Harold encourages them to clean up the stable as a very important guest is coming and since this is the only place with any room left in town they will have to share. Mary and Joseph and the baby arrive moments later. Everyone rushes to help them and give them presents. As they do, they receive the faith, hope, love, and light they were looking for.

Christmas Music Celebration

On Sunday morning, December 14th, 2014, at 10 AM there will be a special Christmas Music Service. Please come join the fun and bring some guests who would like to get into the Christmas spirit!

The Adult Choir will sing Christmas choral selections. Our Handbell Choir will accompany the choir on some of the choral pieces.

We will also have a guest flute soloist, Pamela Ravenelle. She is an excellent flutist and the founder of the beloved Magic Flutes Flute Orchestra. Ms. Ravenelle will play Christmas music and accompany the choir on a few beautiful Christmas choral selections.

Christmas carols and puppets will also add to the service festivities. Afterwards there will be a nice potluck to which guests are most welcome. Don't forget to stop in to say hello.



Women's Christmas Tea

Sunday, December 14, 1:30 PM

Join the women of the church for tea at the Humkes in Redwood City. Guests are welcome! Please bring a wrapped "white elephant" gift for exchange and some tea sandwiches or treats to share.

If you can help with set-up and clean-up, please let Ingrid Humke know. This would mean arriving at 1:00 p.m. to set-up and staying until 5:00 p.m. to clean-up.

Please RSVP by December 12th (Friday).

Support Group for Caregivers

Taking care of a family member is sometimes difficult. Communication with others that have had similar experience can help. Our support group meets every 3rd Monday at the Crystal Springs Church at the bottom of Bunker Hill Dr., 5:00-7:00 PM in the Fireside room. A caregiver is available to take care of your loved one while we talk. Our goal is to assist you in finding help, equipment and support.

In addition to the Monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday evening, we send information about available classes and helpful caregiving tips by e-mail.

Dianne Weitzel 867-729 kona_caves@juno.com

Dear Friends,

This morning (Nov. 17) we delivered to Second Harvest the food you so generously provided during our food drive. It weighed in at 238 pounds! How wonderful to be part of such a giving community! Thank you for your generosity.

Diane

New Children's Ministry Coordinator: Becky Cuthbert

My fellow brothers and sisters in Christ,

I bring to you great happiness and news that indeed our prayers have been answered. For a few months we have been expressing our need to develop our Children's ministry, and surely God has nudged our very own. We have seen first hand the enthusiasm in her spirit and her vision for the Children's program. Her conviction expressed that this is her calling, and a role she can provide for our church. The Staff Parish Relations Committee is beyond appreciative. The discussion in Becky's vast experience impressed us with confidence that she will give this ministry her all. I am pleased to present to you our new Children Ministry Director, Becky Cuthbert!!!

Her role will commence Jan 1, 2015.

Sincerely Serving You,

Susana Pau

SPRC, Chair



Please Welcome New Crystal Springs United Methodist Church Members



**Becky
Cuthbert**



**Mezee
Park**



**Kathleen
Nichols**

Samaritan House needs: disposable diapers, baby food, nonperishable foods, personal hygiene products, toys, games, blankets, towels, used automobiles and trucks in good condition. Put food, etc. in the barrel in the Fireside Room.

Advent Studies

Led by
'Ivoni Maama



Imagine Jesus from Mary's point of view—proud of her son, in awe of his gifts and mission, guided by love for him as a person and so much more. In this book, Adam Hamilton begins at the end, with Mary at the crucifixion and resurrection; travels back in time as she witnesses his life and ministry; and ends at the beginning, with the Christ child born in a stable, Mary's beautiful baby. This year, experience Advent and Christmas with Mary.

Dates: **12/4 (Thursday), 12/11 (Thursday), 12/18 (Thursday)**

Time: **7:00 p.m.**

Location: **the In Crowd Room**

The content of the three sessions are:

- 1. Beginning with the End**
- 2. The Piercing of Mary's Soul**
- 3. Amazed, Astounded, and Astonished**
- 4. Mary, Full of Grace**
- 5. It Was Not a Silent Night**



Steve's View

As I write this the rains are steadily attempting to make up for the void created by the drought of the past few years. Falling as snow in the mountains should help fill reservoirs that are now at low levels. Living in California, we are accustomed to the boom and bust of water available.

Look to the west. There is something called the Pacific Ocean, which is loaded with all the water we need. When will we learn to take advantage of this endless supply of water? The only impediment to using this source is the 3.5% of salt and other dissolved minerals. So all we have to do is to remove it and we are in business. This is not difficult. We just have to use the same process that provides the water that comes down as rain. Water is evaporated from the oceans by the energy provided by the sun.

We use a similar process on the ships that ply the oceans. We heat ocean waters to boiling and then condense the steam, leaving behind concentrated sea water. A very simple process. The problem, of course, is that this process takes a lot of energy.

So where do we get this energy? The most obvious is nuclear power. Great efficiencies can be obtained by combining a nuclear power plant with a distilling plant. Now, the difficulty in doing this is more political than technical. The permitting process is lengthy and costly. Again more political than problems with building the plant. Down the road, using fusion energy will avoid many of the issues posed by fission.

However, long term this is a good way to go to moderate the effects of droughts. Other things can be done, of course, to avoid putting all the burden on distilling sea water. We can recycle a lot of the water we use by cleaning it up by something called reverse osmosis, filtration, etc. Where available we can distill brackish water instead of the ocean. Brackish water has less salt and takes less energy to distill.

There are other benefits to a nuclear power and distilling plant. There is excess heat which can be used in fish farming.

And the concentrated sea water can be mined for things like magnesium and even gold.

Are we looking ahead to doing any of this? Possibly, but it doesn't make the news. Sooner or later we may be forced to move away from depending on all our rivers and ground water for our needs as we put more pressure on our other resources.

The garden season has been extended this year to almost Thanksgiving. There are still tomatoes, beans and cucumbers on the vines and even some tomato flowers. The signs of winter are obvious though, and it is time to wind things up. There will be plenty of green tomatoes, which will make their way into pickles and relishes.

The pair of ravens that keep watch over our front yard have become more bold. They will start cawing if they are close by when we go in front in hopes of caging some scraps of stale bread.

They used to fly away if we put bread out before returning after we leave. Now they will stay in the tree above us watch as we scatter the crumbs..

Now politics. I am deeply distressed at the recent events playing out in our nation. Where are we headed? It seems politics and power are trumping what is good for our nation.

—Steve Schlichter



Crystal Springs Players

We are eagerly awaiting the Radio Play version of the classic, "It's a Wonderful World," as Clarence gets his wings for showing George

Baily that the world would be a much worse place without his presence. Kathleen is directing a great cast. The show will open December 5.

Early next year we will start working on Beth Covey-Snedigar's idea of putting on short children's plays for families in our meadow. If we do this right, we have a good chance of exposing more people in the neighborhood to our church.

—Steve Schlichter

Masterworks Chorale Performs A Glorious White Christmas

Sunday, December 7 at 2 PM and 4 PM
Congregational Church of San Mateo
225 Tilton Avenue, San Mateo

Featured on the program are J.S. Bach's exuberant Christmas cantata, Gloria in excelsis Deo and a delightful selection of songs from White Christmas by Irving Berlin. Our holiday cookie buffet follows this family-friendly concert.

**Tickets: \$20 advance purchase; \$25 at the door
\$10 with student ID; Children 5 and under free**

Click or call www.masterworksong/1.800.838.3006
Ext. 1

Magic Flutes Winter Concert

Saturday, December 6, 2014; 2:30 PM

St. Matthews Catholic Church

1 Notre Dame Ave. @ El Camino Real, San Mateo

Featuring the music of Tchaikovsky, Beethoven, Handel and others

Magic Flutes is a 30-piece flute orchestra featuring piccolos, orchestral flutes, alto flutes, bass flutes directed by Pamela Ravenelle

**Admission: \$12; Students and Seniors (with ID) \$6
not suitable for children under 6**

For more information: www.magicflutes.org

DEDICATE A POINSETTIA

In Memory or in Honor of:



No. of Poinsettias _____ @\$10 each = \$ _____

*Please put this form with your payment into the offering or send to the office.

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Bake Sale

December 20, 10 AM – 2 PM

Support our Sunday School Ministry

Homemade Baked Goods from the Ladies
of Crystal Springs UMC
make wonderful Christmas gifts!

Call 650-345-2381 or 650-430-4101 if you want us to deliver!

STEWARDSHIP

Prayers, Presence, Gifts and Service

Prayers



J.J. Orecchia, Nancy Nixon, Children's Ministry Coordinator, Edward & Ge Kim, Marcia Eves, Nancy Tamburello, Marilyn, Steve, Jennifer, David, Rolfe Cuthbert, Vivian Lin, Ethel Schwartz, Christine Feagin & Family, Favre & Lois Eaton, Joy & Family, Virginia Spinelli & Erica Spinelli, Nancy Kronovich, Marjorie Carroll, Jim & Cheryl, Steve Hwang, Chuck, William, Terry, Matthew Christy, Jan Ryan, Jo Nassutti, Kim Leeds, Veronica Rausch & Family, Flints, Ann Sammut, Kirsten and Ray Molencupp, Juan & Ames, Messiah & Toa Walker, Leslie and Les Brown, Kathleen Trombino, Joe, Joseph Patrick Sheredon, Carol Griffin, Barbara Parker, Cathy Little, Cosette Trombino Zugale, Sarah Crane, Barbara Phillips & Family, Araceli Martinez, James Goodwin,

Eric Rivello, Tony Gasperich, Carl Farley & Family, Bill, Paul, Fergusons, Esther Kim, Middle East, Our Troops, Our Government, North Korea.

Finances

Crystal Springs UMC revenue for the first 10 months of 2014 is \$137,156, of which 45.6% is from donations, 0.9% from activities (GGRO and E-scrip) and 53.5% from rental income. Expenses recorded for the same period were \$126,558.53.

Presence

(Attendance at church service)

9/7	40	10/19	63
9/14	42	10/26	50
9/21	44	11/2	65
9/28	68	11/9	58
10/5	42	11/16	49
10/12	40	11/23	58

Please! Use the Buckets!

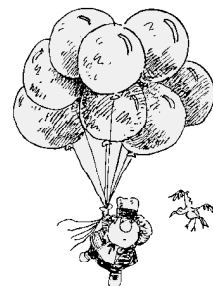
At each door at the end of each service, you'll find a small bucket (small so you can fill it!). The idea is to bring your pocket change to church to put into the buckets for Apportionments. While "small change" will in no way pay our Apportionments, it will go a long way toward reminding us of our share of A-Portion-Meant for others.

Our Purpose

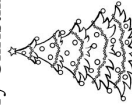

To be a caring Church family that nurtures creative spiritual growth within ourselves and the community.

December, January, February Birthdays and Anniversaries


Dec. 2	Emily Humke	Jan. 18	George & Jeanette Hobbs (A)
Dec. 3	Sivale Saelua	Jan. 19	Becky Cuthbert
Dec. 12	Wally & Carrie Rutherford (A)	Jan. 25	Ingrid Humke
Dec. 16	Matt Rodney	Jan. 27	Jim & Ineke Bolander (A)
Dec. 17	Connie Mobley-Ritter		Johanna Anton
Dec. 18	James Pacquette	Jan. 29	Johanna Norman
	Conor & Laura Johnson (A)	Jan. 30	Hee Soon Kwon
Dec. 20	Ellen Pearce	Feb. 1	Cheryl Pierson
Dec. 24	Kurt Schlichter	Feb. 9	Roland Bunch
Dec. 25	Nicky Mobley-Ritter		John McEvoy
Dec. 28	Karl Pope	Feb, 10	Angela Bunch
Dec. 31	Steve Schlichter	Feb. 17	Jim Bolander
Jan. 1	India Gay	Feb. 18	Joy Eaton
Jan. 2	Eric Humke	Feb. 27	B0b Franklin
Jan. 15	Foa Mafile'o	Feb. 29	Marsi & Jeff Riley (A)





December 2014

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:00 p.m. Charge Conference 7:30 p.m. GGRO	9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 7:00 p.m. Advent Studies 7:00 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Coffee Break – Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AA 8:00 p.m. Christmas Play	9:00 a.m. Church Work Day
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10:00 a.m. 2 nd Sunday of Advent 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 2:00 p.m. Christmas Play	7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	9:00 a.m. 2 nd Harvest 3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 4:45 p.m. Safe Harbor 7:00 p.m. Advent Studies 7:00 p.m. AA	7:00 p.m. AA 8:00 p.m. Christmas Play	139:00 a.m. Advent Prayer Breakfast 8:00 p.m. Christmas Play
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:00 a.m. 3 rd Sunday of Advent *Christmas Music Service 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 1:30 p.m. Women’s Christmas Tea	5:00 p.m. Caregiver Support Group 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 Choir Rehearsal	3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 1:00 p.m. Little Dresses for Africa 7:00 p.m. Advent Studies 7:00 p.m. AA	10:00 a.m. Coffee Break – Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AA	9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
10:00 a.m. *Christmas Celebration Service 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Worship-Ministries Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service & Children’s Program	Merry Christmas! 	9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor	9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor
28	29	30	31			
10:00 a.m. 1 st Sunday after Christmas Day 11:00 a.m. Fellowship	7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 Choir Rehearsal	10:00 p.m. New Year’s Eve Vigil 			

January 2015

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				New Year's Day		9:00 a.m. Church Work Day
4 10:00 a.m. Epiphany Sunday 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal	5 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	6 3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	7 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	8 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 4:45 p.m. Safe Harbor 7:00 p.m. AA	9 10:00 a.m. Coffee Break – Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AA	10 10:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast 10:00 a.m. Christmas Decoration Clean-up
11 10:00 a.m. 1 st Sunday after the Epiphany 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal	12 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	13 9:00 a.m. 2 nd Harvest 3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	14 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	15 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 1:00 p.m. Little Dresses for Africa 7:00 p.m. AA	16 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation Workshop 7:00 p.m. AA	17 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor
18 10:00 a.m. 2 nd Sunday after the Epiphany 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Worship-Ministries Committee Meeting 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day 5:00 p.m. Caregiver Support Group 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	20 3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	21 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	22 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 7:00 p.m. AA	23 10:00 a.m. Coffee Break – Women's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AA	24 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor
25 10:00 a.m. 3 rd Sunday after the Epiphany 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal	26 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	27 3:30 p.m. After-School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	28 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:00 p.m. AdBoard Meeting 7:30 p.m. GGRO	29 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 7:00 p.m. AA	30 7:00 p.m. AA	31 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor

February 2015

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 10:00 a.m. 4 th Sunday after Epiphany 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal	2 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	3 3:30 p.m. After- School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	4 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	5 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 7:00 p.m. AA	6 10:00 a.m. Coffee Break – Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. AA	7 9:00 a.m. Church Work Day
8 10:00 a.m. 5 th Sunday after Epiphany 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal	9 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	10 9:00 a.m. 2 nd Harvest 3:30 p.m. After- School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	11 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing 7:30 p.m. GGRO	12 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 4:45 p.m Safe Harbor 7:00 p.m. AA	13 7:00 p.m. AA	14 149:00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast Valentine’s Day 
15 10:00 a.m. Last Sunday after the Epiphany (Transfiguration Sunday) 11:00 a.m. Fellowship 11:30 a.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 11:30 a.m. Worship- Ministries Committee Meeting	16 5:00 p.m. Caregiver Support Group 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation	17 3:30 p.m. After- School Drama 7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	18 3:45 p.m. Childrens Dancing  7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service	19 9:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation 1:00 p.m. Little Dresses for Africa 6:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting 7:00 p.m. AA	20 10:00 a.m. Coffee Break – Women’s Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Centering Prayer Meditation Workshop 7:00 p.m. AA	21 9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting with Pastor
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It's a Wonderful Life

This beloved American holiday classic comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. There will be a mix of live and digital sound effects. The experience is enhanced with vintage artwork and photographs. An ensemble cast of seven brings to life over 35 characters.

It's a Wonderful Life is the story of idealistic George Bailey, played by Pete Shearer. George longs for a life of adventure beyond the his small town of Bedford Falls, New York. As the oldest son he is pulled back into the family business of keeping the Building and Loan running so the community has an alternative to getting loans from Henry Potter, played with bluster and bravado by Stanley Scheidlinger. George is supported in his efforts to keep the Building and Loan afloat by his forgetful Uncle Billy (Robert Berger), his wife Mary (Kathleen Maxwell), and his old flame Violet (Deborah Bentley). James Paquette rounds out the supporting cast, playing a diverse number of roles, including cousin Eustace, Jimmy the Bird and Dr. Campbell.

As George considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve, he is visited by his Guardian Angel Clarence, tenderly

Starring

Debra Bentley
Robert Berger
Mike Foley
Kathleen Maxwell
John J. McEvoy
James Paquette
Stanley Scheidlinger
Peter Shearer

December 5, 12, 13 & p.m.
December 7 at 2 p.m.
All Seats are \$10

played by John McEvoy, who helps him to see that every life is valuable and that he has had a pretty Wonderful Life after all.

This show is in full color and full of laughter, music and good holiday feelings. Bring your friends and your family to celebrate this wonderful holiday classic. Each general admission seat is only \$10 children under 11 are free.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS

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