

2020 ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



Advent 1: November 29th

11:00 A.M. Worship on Facebook Live

*Because of the increased COVID-19 risk due to Thanksgiving travel, this service will be **online only**.*

Friday, Dec. 4th Poinsettia Tree goes up*

4:00 P.M. - Children Hanging of the Greens*

5:00 P.M. - Youth Hanging of the Greens*

**These will be filmed to share during worship on Dec. 6th*

Advent 2: December 6th Hanging of the Greens*

11:00 A.M. Worship in-person & on Facebook Live

**The sanctuary will be decorated throughout the previous week & a video of the decorations going up will be shared during worship*

Dec. 7th, 11:00 A.M. Christmas Monday Morning Music w/ Mark in person & on Facebook Live - West Main Handbell Quartet,

Janet Phillips, flute, Lynne Booker, piano and Mark Gourley, organ

Dec. 11th: Christmas project gifts due back at church

Advent 3: December 13th Lessons & Carols

11:00 A.M. Worship on Facebook Live

*Because of the number of people involved and the amount of singing, this service will be **online only**.*

4:00 - 6:00 P.M. Youth Christmas Caroling

Sign up required. Youth will need a family driver (1per family)

Dec.16th, 6:00 P.M. Children's Christmas Pageant Party for Preschoolers - Fifty6 We will film the Christmas Pageant

(masked and distanced) and have a little fun.

Children must wear a mask and bring a parent to participate.

Dec. 17th, 3:00-6:00 P.M. Christmas Project Wrapping Party

Sign up to help for a one-hour shift (3-4, 4-5, or 5-6)

Advent 4: December 20th

11:00 A.M. Worship in-person & on Facebook Live

Children's Christmas Pageant video will be shown during worship.

Dec. 21st, 7:00 P.M. Holiday Music Program on Facebook Live

Christmas Eve, December 24th

5:30 P.M. Candles & Carols On the Lawn

We will gather in person on the front lawn (dress warmly!) for a brief in-person service to pray for our world, light candles in the darkness and sing "Silent Night."

7:00 P.M. Traditional (On-Line) Christmas Eve Service on Facebook Live

This online-only service will be as close to our traditional Christmas Eve service as possible. Carols, communion, scripture, lighting of the Christ candle, hope for the world.



CHRISTMAS MISSION PROJECT

West Main is sponsoring a large family for Christmas!

We received a call from the Roanoke Rescue Mission about a family who has relocated to Danville and needs assistance purchasing gifts for their children this Christmas. **To participate:**

- **Pull** a tag (or tags) off the mission project bulletin board (You may also call the church and we'll pull a tag for you.)
- **Buy** the item(s) listed on the tag
- **Return** your items to the church by Friday, December 11th.

Please tape the tag to your gifts when you return them. We will have a wrapping party on Thursday, Dec. 17th to wrap these gifts before delivering them to the family.

You may also make a monetary donation if you prefer.

This money will be used to buy gifts and to supply food, toiletry & household items for this family. We will donate any extra funds collected to one of our mission partners.



Looking for an Online Devotion this Advent Season?

Check out:

shereadstruth.com &


hereadstruth.com or

d365.org. Both of these

are also available as apps

for your mobile device.



Following the Star 

© 2015 d365.org

In order to help you get those awesome family photos in front of the poinsettia tree during this unusual advent season, the Sanctuary will be open from 5:00-7:00 P.M. on Sunday, Dec. 13th & on Thursday, Dec. 17th. You are also welcome to come any weekday between 9:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Because of COVID-19, our Advent & Christmas Schedule looks a little different this year. We've done our best to preserve beloved West Main traditions while also protecting the health and well-being of our church family. If it becomes necessary to cancel or alter any of these events, we will communicate that information ASAP.

**This Sunday we begin pledging our 2021
Ministry Budget.**

We will collect pledges now through Sunday
December 31. If you want to make a pledge,
but did not receive a card in the mail, you can
cut out and use this one:

More Than We Can Ask Or Imagine



I will faithfully support WMBC in 2021!

My (Our) 2021 Pledge is:

\$ _____

Name(s): _____

Pledge Day is Sunday, November 22

Pledge cards can be turned in to the church
office or placed in the offering plate before
December 31, 2020.

**Monday Morning Music with Mark
November 23 & December 7 at 11:00 A.M.**

in the Sanctuary and live-streamed on Facebook
Recordings are posted on the music page of our website.

November 23 - *Music for Thanksgiving*
Lynne Booker, piano; Mark Gourley, organ

December 7 - *Music for Christmas*
West Main Handbell Quartet; Janet Phillips, flute;
Lynne Booker, piano; Mark Gourley, organ

POINSETTIA TREE ORDER FORM



Our annual poinsettia tree will be up on December 4 and will
remain until after the morning service on Dec. 20. **Orders
must be placed by November 30!** You may mail your order,
call the church or drop it by the church office.

I would like to order _____ Poinsettia Plant(s) at \$10.75 each

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ made out to:

West Main Baptist Church

Please indicate in the program that my plant is given in HONOR,
GRATITUDE or MEMORY of (please circle one):

By: _____

*I understand that I may pick up my plant(s) from the
fellowship hall on or after December 21st.*

**IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers**

WEST MAIN MEMBERS

Chuck Ayuso
Sue Covington - surgery 11/17
Lee Wayland
Raymond Elliott
Jimmie Payne
Jeannett Meetze

ASSISTED CARE

Nancy Buchanan - Commonwealth
Virginia Powell - Roman Eagle
Mercer Motley - Riverside
Nell Moore - Riverside
Russell Hines - Atlanta
Joyce Payne - Roxboro

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Jamie McAdams' cousin
Donna Comper's sister's fiancé
Mary Jane Buchanan's husband
Helen Jane Hodges' father
David Williams' son, Sebastian
Alan Hepler's mother & cousin
The Tucker's friend
Tanya Jones' friend
Sue Irby (Wee Center teacher)
Michelle Bloomer's mother
Pete Heath's father
Katie Brooks' father
Jane Willis' nephew & family

Barbara Pleasant's mother
Tracey Smith's mother
Pam Pulley's mother
Mark Gourley's uncle
Peyton Keesee's mother-in-law
Kevin Kirk's uncle
Jim Fuquay's niece
Donna Helton's parents
Rena Vaughn's brother
WH & Melodie's friend
Jennifer Horne & other staff on
Sovah 5a & the ICU
Robin Turner's friend
Mike and Donna Comper's
friend
Judy Gourley's sister in law
Lili Manning
Sallie Minter's friend, Judy
Nolan's grandson
Chris Hill
Becky Barker's brother
Bobby Harris' friend

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20

God's power at work within us was able to accomplish abundantly more in 2020 than we could have asked for or imagined.

In this year we have carried much anxiety and grief, but we have also become more resilient as a church. We learned to worship on Facebook and to pray and talk on Zoom. We made phone calls and wrote notes to encourage one other. We filmed silly videos and chaperoned camps to weather a "bummer summer." We visited on the porch. We drove through the church parking lot to see each other and get hotdogs and Halloween candy. We baptized new members in the river. We mailed our check or learned to give online. And now as some of us return to the sanctuary we have our temperatures taken, wear a mask, and keep our distance.

During this pandemic, we have looked beyond our own needs and given to our neighbors with open hands, sustaining the work of missions partners, feeding nurses, roofing a Habitat for Humanity House, doing yard work, making bags of COVID essentials for the Danville Police Department, and collecting shoes for the Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association.

What might God do within us and through us in 2021?

The answer depends on your continued generosity. In 2021, we need your presence in-person or online. We need your prayer. We need your willingness to serve. We need your financial contributions.

For those of you who need to reduce your giving, we ask you to give what you can.

For those of you who are able to maintain your current level of giving, we ask you to continue.

For those of you who can give a little more, we ask you to consider increasing your gift.

And for those of you who are not currently giving financially, we ask that you consider starting small, even a few dollars a month makes a big difference. Every gift matters to us and matters to God.

Whatever you feel God calling you to give, we ask that you make a pledge so that we can plan for the year to come. I believe that God's power is at work within us, always doing more than we can ask or imagine.

Thanks be to God,
Drew

Youth NEWS

Youth Encounter-November 22

Join us this Sunday at 6pm for Thanksgathering Turkey Trivia and some good news about how God offers us a circle of care and support in life, so we can stay strong in the pressures of life.



***Join us online,
Wed. Nov 25, 8:30pm
for a game of "Among Us"!



NOMINATING COMMITTEE Seeks Deacon Suggestions

If you would like to suggest someone to be a Deacon at West Main, please call Billie Jo in the church office. Deacons serve for 3 years and must be over 18 and have been a member of West Main for at least one year.

Please note: all suggestions will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee to ensure that our Deacon Council reflects the demographics and needs of our church.

There will be no newsletter next week because of the Thanksgiving holiday.



1	Bonnae Buchanan	21	Sandy Buchanan
4	Megan Bond		Tom Gay
5	Pam Pulley		Nancy Dalton
6	David Helton		Mark Lewis
8	Pat Adkins	22	Linda Porter
	Anna James		Ken Carlson
	Abercrombie		Wendy Abercrombie
9	Jeff Smith	23	Dylan Turner
	Josh Lineberry		Nancy Davis
12	Vickie Jones	25	Ashley Harper
13	Tim Montgomery	27	Susan Crews
	Lynn Huckabee		Charlotte Zagol
	Bill Harville	28	Becky Bolton
	Chloe Gay	29	Jean Jones
	Lisa Moore		Sandy Ramsey
16	Rena Leggett		Joseph Uitto
	Ellen Gray Lackey	30	Lee Wayland
18	Helen Grace Wales		Susan Huckstep
	Kullen Payne		Tom Zagol
19	Elizabeth Gentry		Evienne Bond
	Carol Floyd	31	Janet Hankins
20	Madison Syvanthong		

hi-lites

WEST MAIN BAPTIST CHURCH
450 WEST MAIN STREET
DANVILLE, VA 24541

Nonprofit Organization
U.S. Postage Paid
Permit No. 8
Danville, VA 24541



WORSHIP THIS WEEK
NOVEMBER 22, 2020
at **11:00 A.M.**
*In person & on Facebook Live**

Drew Herring's Topic:
"The Cycle of Abundance"
2 Corinthians 9: 6-15

Pledge Sunday: see info. inside

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
AN ONLINE, AT-HOME THANKSGATHERING

Join us for this fun, at-home edition of
THANKSGATHERING!
Sunday Night at 6:00 P.M.
On Facebook Live*

West Main Turkey Trivia, Golden Turkey Awards,
a Thanksgiving Slideshow and more!
The "Youth Table" - West Main Youth will tune in during
Youth Encounter on Sunday Night.



See our 2020 Advent & Christmas
Schedule inside this newsletter!

WEST MAIN
BAPTIST CHURCH
NOVEMBER 18, 2020

www.westmainbaptist.org
westmainbaptist@comcast.net
Church Office closed for
Thanksgiving holiday:
Wednesday Nov. 25th at
noon - Friday Nov. 27th

West Main Baptist Church
450 West Main Street
Danville, VA 24541
Phone: (434) 792-5960
E-mail:
westmainbaptist@comcast.net
Temporary Church Office
Hours: Monday - Friday
9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

West Main
Baptist Staff
Drew Herring- Senior Pastor
Skyler Daniel - Associate Pastor
for Youth and Families
Jennifer Clatterbuck - Associate
Pastor for Children and Families
Mark Gourley- Min. of Music
and Worship
Billie Jo Reynolds - Church
Administrator
Sherry Price - Communications
Sec. and Director, WEE Center
Daryl Edwards - Custodian

UPCOMING CALLED
BUSINESS MEETING
Dec. 2 @ 6:00 - Special
Called Business meeting
on zoom to vote on
recommendations from
the nominating committee
and by-law changes.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED