

# Calendar of Events

## December 15 — 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Young Adult Breakfast Club  
 9:15 am Church Nursery  
 9:30 am Sunday School  
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School (GP 3)  
 9:45 am Choir Practice (S)  
 10:50 am Worship  
 12:15 pm Congregational Care Meeting (CR)  
 2:00 pm BSA Committee Meeting (GP)  
 6:00 pm Blue Christmas Service (GP)

## December 16 — Monday

10:00 am The Gathering Place (FH)  
 6:00 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball\* (GP)  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)  
 7:00 pm Mission Team Meeting (Zoom)

## December 17 — Tuesday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)  
 6:00 pm Basketball (GP)  
 6:30 pm Cub Scouts: Tiger Cub (GP 1 & 2)  
 7:00 pm CENTI Bible Study & Worship\* (FH)  
 7:00 pm Faith Development Meeting (Zoom)

## December 18 — Wednesday

3:30 pm WOW (S)  
 6:00 pm Advent Party (FH)  
 7:00 pm Handbell Choir (S)

## December 19 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)  
 1:00 pm Pastor Mark's Bible Study (Zoom)  
 6:00 pm Fairbees Square Dance\* (GP)

## December 20 — Friday

**PresPress Articles Due**  
 6:00 pm Young Adult Roller Skating Night  
 7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program\* (YR)

## December 21 — Saturday

6:00 pm CENTI Church Service\* (GP)

## December 22 — 4th Sunday of Advent

9:15 am Church Nursery  
 9:30 am Sunday School  
 9:30 am Children's Chime Choir (S)  
 9:45 am Choir Practice (S)  
 10:50 am Worship  
 12:00 pm Called Congregational Meeting

## December 23 — Monday

6:00 pm Special Olympics: Volleyball\* (GP)  
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

## December 24 — Tuesday

**Academy Closes at 2:30 PM**  
 5:30 pm Refreshments  
 6:00 pm Christmas Eve Service



## December 25 — Wednesday

**Church & Academy Closed**



## December 26 — Thursday

**Church & Academy Closed**

## December 27 — Friday

7:00 pm CENTI Youth Program\* (YR)

## December 28 — Saturday

11:00 am Hot Meals  
 6:00 pm CENTI Church Service\* (GP)



\*Outside SBPC Reservations & Events  
 (CR) Conference Room  
 (FH) Fellowship Hall  
 (GP) Gathering Place  
 (L) Library  
 (P) Parlor  
 (S) Sanctuary

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# Spring Branch Presbyterian Church



## Third Sunday of Advent

### December 15, 2024

## Announcements & Events:

**The Flowers** for this morning are given by Marguerite Priest, to the Glory of God, and are in celebration of Bryan's birthday.

**Sunday evening, December 15th, our church will hold a Blue Christmas service at 6:00 PM in our Gathering Place.** A Blue Christmas Service is offered especially for those hurting during the holidays. Some come because they are mourning the death of a loved one. Join us for this wonderful service of healing and hope.

One of our long-time Missions in December is the **PCHAS Ornament Tree**. During Advent time, we hang ornaments on a Christmas tree. Each of the ornaments has a PCHAS tag attached with a suggested donation amount. You take the ornament home with you and leave the donation in the basket provided. *(If you pay by check, please make checks payable to SBPC and put "PCHAS Ornament Tree" in the memo line.)*

**Please turn in all outstanding receipts for reimbursement** to Jorida in the church office no later than Sunday, December 15th.

**Please join us for the annual Advent Party this Wednesday, December 18th,** at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. There will be singing, games, crafts, great food, and more! On the menu is a Holiday Party Buffet. Wear your Christmas best—we will have lots of photo opportunities! Bring an ornament for the ornament exchange, and a can of food for Fair Haven or our Angel Tree Families. We hope to see you there!

You are invited to roller skating night with Pastor Savannah Goodman at **Dairy Ashford Roller Rink** (1820 South Dairy Ashford, Rd., Houston, TX 77077) on **Friday, 12/20, at 6:00 PM**. The church will cover the price of admission and roller skate rental for each person. Bring money for food and drinks. **If you need childcare, please email Pastor Savannah Goodman ([savannah@springbranchpres.org](mailto:savannah@springbranchpres.org)) by Friday, 12/6, at 5:00 PM, so she can make the necessary childcare arrangements with The Academy.** Also, please email **Pastor Savannah Goodman ([savannah@springbranchpres.org](mailto:savannah@springbranchpres.org))** to RSVP (so she can get an accurate head count) and/or if you any questions. We look forward to connecting with you then!

**Please don't forget to turn in your Pledge Card and Time & Talent Pledge.** You can find blank copies in the Narthex, Church Office, or Parlor. There is a box in the Narthex for submitting cards. Cards can also be mailed to the Church Office, to the attention of Jorida. Thank you for your continued commitment!

**Poinsettias are available for purchase again this year.** A sign-up sheet is located in the Church Office & Narthex to place your order until Sunday, December 22nd. Remember to indicate who you are honoring, and/or remembering, with your payment of \$10 to SBPC, which you can drop off in the Church Office, or during Worship in the offering plate.

**There will be a Called Congregational Meeting immediately following Worship on Sunday, December 22nd.** The purpose of the meeting is to Elect the Nominating Committee.

**You are invited to join us for the Candlelight Communion Christmas Eve Service!** Hot Chocolate and Cookies will be served at 5:30 PM. The service will begin at 6:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

**The Christmas Joy Offering begins next week.** When you give, you are faithfully supporting current and retired church workers through assistance in their time of need, and cultivating racial ethnic education and leadership development. This offering will be collected on Sunday, December 22nd and 24th.

Christmas Time Is Here

Winter Wonderland

Carol of the Bells

Lead Me Back to Bethlehem

In the Bleak Midwinter

O Little Town of Bethlehem  
*(Congregation Sings)*

O Holy Night

Mary Did You Know

The Jesus Gift  
*(Offering)*

The Bells on Christmas Day