



Child is born,

unto us a Son

Is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder, and

His name will be called

Wonderful Counselor

MIGHTY GOD

Everlasting Father

PRINCE OF PEACE



ISAIAH

9:6

Greetings from: LINDEN PLACE Steinbach Housing

## From the Chaplain's Desk

Good News, Great Joy! Light of Hope!

In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. John 1:4-5

In this Christmas season, we rejoice in the fact that Jesus was born. We rejoice that God loved the world enough to send His only Son. John 3:16. We join our voices with the angels and the shepherds and with Christians throughout the centuries who have sung praise to God for the wonderful gift of Jesus' birth.

As we read John chapter 1:1-14 we see how John describes Jesus by talking about "the Word." When he describes the event we celebrate at Christmas, he says, "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us." John talks about the great good news of Jesus' birth, saying, "In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind."

But after sharing the good news of this light, John does not pretend that the darkness is completely gone.

There is still darkness in the world. It's not literal darkness, but the darkness of sin and despair.

The truly good news in John's message is, that the light that is Jesus has come into the world, and that light is stronger than the darkness. The darkness cannot overcome the light that has come into the world in Jesus.

What wonderful hope this gives us! The light of God's love for the world in Jesus is so strong that nothing can take away its power.

The shepherds were the ones to whom the angel brought the good news that would cause great joy: A Savior had been born! Whatever darkness they were facing was transformed into the most beautiful light they'd ever seen, as the angels of heaven joined in singing, "Glory to God in the highest. . . ." Luke 2:14 For those shepherds out in the fields of Bethlehem, life would never be the same.

Perhaps this Christmas Season you are finding it difficult to feel joy. Perhaps there is an empty chair at your table. Perhaps you're thinking about a family member who has turned away from the Lord or is no longer a part of your life. Perhaps you have been diagnosed with a terrible illness. Whatever the reason, you don't feel like celebrating.

If so, the Christmas message is for you. There is good news with great joy also for you. Why? Because the Savior came to make things right. He came to heal the broken-hearted, to bring light into your darkness.

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#### **DECEMBER PROGRAMS**



#### Barkman

Bake Sale

Enjoy the freshly baked goodies!

December 4

a 2 pm





#### **DECEMBER 6 AT 1 PM**

Browse a great selection of books, audio books, magazines and more. From Jake Epp Library



### December Birthdays

#### December 9 at 1:30 pm

BIRTHDAY TREATS & COFFEE/TEA - COST \$2.00 Free for those celebrating a birthday this month!

#### Happy Birthday to:

DECEMBER 3 - DELLA HIEBERT (203) DECEMBER 14 - ANNE LETKEMAN (406)



# CHAPEL AT 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY AT 10:30 with John Hildebrand Every Wednesday

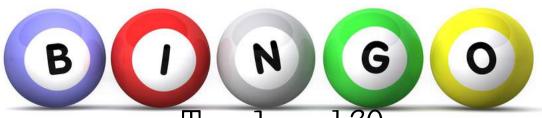
# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE AT 9:00AM December 1 ( Pansy Chapel ) December 8 ( Bill Kehler ) December 15 ( Jake and Helen Harder ) December 22 ( La Broquerie Chapel ) December 25 ( Christmas Morning with John and Klara December 29 ( Logan Friesen SMBC )



Please join us and enjoy the afternoon

#### <u>Christmas</u> <u>Movie</u>

December 5 at 1:30 pm
POPCORN TWIST, TREATS & COFFEE/TEA
COST \$2.00



every Tuesday @ 1:30 pm

Note: A winner only gets prize once, so every one gets a chance





#### Chair Exercise and Stretch Classes

Every other Monday of December at 9:00 am

## TOGETHER OVER COFFEE

EVERY MONDAY AT 10:00 AM



#### **ENTERTAINMENT AT LINDEN:**

#### YOU ARE INVITED!















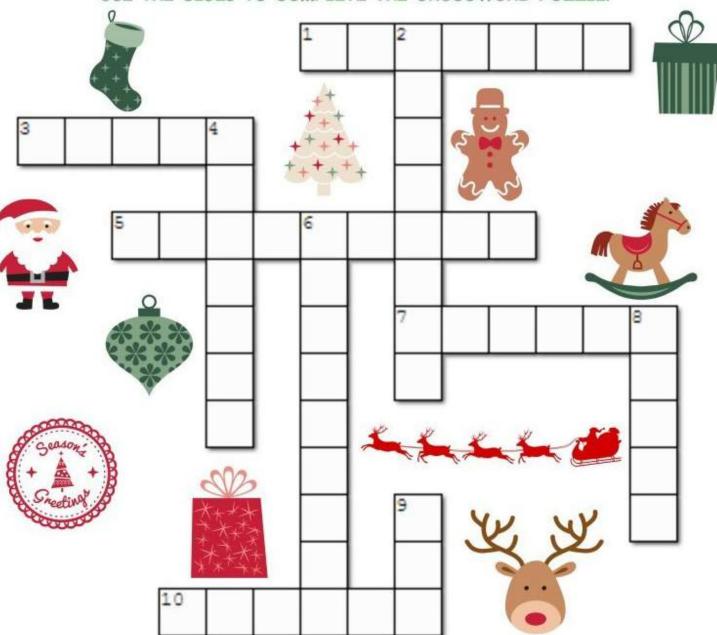


#### CHRISTMAS CRAFT WITH ABBY



#### CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

USE THE CLUES TO COMPLETE THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



#### Across

- 1. One of Santa's Reindeer
- 3. Santa's Helpers
- 5. December 25th is ...
- 7. Christmas Drink
- 10. The name of a popular snowman.

#### Down

- 2. Christmas Month
- 4. He hates Christmas!
- 6. You hang them by the chimney.
- 8. On Christmas morning we unwrap our
- 9. \_\_\_ to the world!



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#### DECEMBER 2024 LINDEN EVENTS



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9 am: Chapel Service (Pansy Chapel)	9:00 am: Chair Exercise 10 am: Coffee Time	12 pm: Group Lunch 1:30 pm: Bingo	10 & 10:30 am: 4 Chapel/ Bible Study 2 pm: Barkman Bake Sale 6:30 pm: VFCG Mitchell Youth Group	10pm: 5 Group Lunch Trailblazer Life Choice Christmas Carolling 12 pm: Group Lunch 1:30 pm: Christmas Movie	1:00 pm: Book Mobile	7
9 am: Chapel Service (Bill Kehler)	10 am: Coffee Time 1:30 pm: Birthday Party	12 pm: 10 Group Lunch 1:30 pm: Bingo 6:30 pm: Isaiah 6 Christmas Program	11 10 & 10:30 am: Chapel/ Bible Study 1:30pm: Christmas Party	10 pm: Craft with Abby  12 pm: Group Lunch	13	11:30 am Couples for Christ Christmas Carol
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