



## KEMPTON NEW CHURCH NOTE HOME – December 12, 2024

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- Fri., Dec. 13* 10:00 a.m. Moms and Tots at OSV  
7:15 – 9:00 p.m. Youth Group CL class at John and Alexandra Cole's
- Sun., Dec. 15* 9:00 a.m. Young Children's Marionette Service. *Setup: Matt and Sheila Heiter*  
10:00 a.m. Sermon Service. *Usher/Setup: Mike Heiter*  
6:00 p.m. Spiral Garden
- Mon., Dec. 16* 6:30 p.m. Women's Cookie Exchange
- Wed., Dec. 18* 3:00 p.m. Christmas Storybook time at OSV  
7:30 p.m. Men's Divine Providence class at OSV
- Thurs., Dec. 19* 11:00 a.m. KNCS Christmas Program. School dismissal after program.

*Change of Date for Young Adult's class:* The class that was originally scheduled for Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> has been moved to Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **The Spiral Garden**

On Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. you are warmly invited to participate in a Spiral Garden at the Kempton New Church. This beautiful tradition is a way to participate in a symbolic experience of moving from darkness to light with candles and beautiful music as we prepare to celebrate the Lord's coming into the world on Christmas. Please come quietly through the school entrance and leave your coats there, in time to be seated in the Society Room by 6:00. We will signal an early leaving time for families with young children. Teens and adults are welcome to stay on.

Just a quick note for parents: We leave it up to you to decide if your child is old enough to carry a candle or whether they would enjoy that part of the event. The experience can be just as lovely whether or not the child places a candle of their own. Please contact Genta (267-981-8833) or Sheila (484-661-8999) with any questions and/or if you would like to help.

**Moms and Tots** will be happening this Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Feel free to bring riding toys and balls for your children to play with! Children who are in kindergarten are welcome to come and play too. The more the merrier! Hope to see you there!

### **Cookie Exchange:**

Women, college age and older, are invited to a Christmas Cookie Exchange on Monday, Dec. 16 in the society room from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Cookie Swapping begins at 7:00 p.m. Please bring an hors d'oeuvre or a bottle of wine to share.

#### **COOKIE EXCHANGE RULES**

1. All cookies should be homemade and of the same variety.
2. Make 3 dozen cookies.
3. Make little packages of 3 cookies each. (You should have a total of 12 packages that have 3 cookies in each)

Any questions, please call or text Suzanne King (484-793-1451) or Leona Fritch (570-449-8221).

**Toy donation:** I am collecting toys for *Toys for Tots* this year at the Kempton New church. There is a box located behind the front desk at the school where toys can be dropped off. The final day to bring toys in is this Friday the 13th. The toys will be picked up on Friday afternoon and delivered to a *Toys for Tots* drop site. Thanks so much and have a great day! Sarah Heinrichs

**Christmas Store!** We will be opening up this Thursday! We do still have room if anyone is interested in bringing crafts. Please let us know, even if it is only one or two leftover items! Store Hours:

Thursday, Dec. 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 19 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 20 <sup>th</sup>	7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**A big thank you** from the Christmas wreath fundraiser to those who...  
Donated greens, from boxes full to whole bushes to box truck load!  
Prepped pinecones and ribbons!  
Gave wreath frames, wire, and more ribbons!  
Braved the chilly weather to harvest greens!  
Came together, giving up precious time, to make wreaths of all sizes!  
Purchased wreaths at the craft sale!

It took all of you to make this a success, and we raised just over \$1,000 for the church and school.

**Caleb's Café:** Thursday and Friday 7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., and Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Like-new snow plow for sale:** 108" Wide Skid Steer Manual Angle Snow Blade with Curved Top from Spartan Equipment. Too wide for my driveway. Would cost \$3,800+ today. I can lift it onto your trailer. Text offer to Judah 484-878-7026

### **Kempton Craft Sale - THANK YOU!**

What a wonderful craft sale this year! I want to thank everyone who helped make this craft sale possible, from those who volunteered their time getting the venue ready (posters, set up, tables), to our crafters themselves supporting us during the shift in date, time and venue, to our wonderful buyers who continue to support our crafters in their hard work, time and beautiful/fun results. It was so wonderful seeing the array of crafts this year and that even with the new space, we filled it nicely.

Now on to three announcements.

1. A big THANK YOU for those who participated in the raffle and the cake walk. We were able to raise \$350 for the church!
2. Another big THANK YOU for those who helped donate to the cost of the space. I know it was new this year for there to be a cost, and I appreciate the support in making that possible.
3. I'd like to hear from you on how YOU think it went. I have created a short survey (<https://forms.office.com/r/uEv4d4thWE>) with questions asking about your role and ideas on what went well and what could be improved for next year. I'd love to hear folks' ideas and feelings, as I believe they are all very valuable to making this a community event.

Again, I'm so glad you were able to come and make this a wonderful sale this year. I realize the short notice changes were not an ideal circumstance, but you all made the most of it, and for that I am incredibly grateful. Merry Christmas to everyone!