



ST. MARK'S *Classical Academy*

"where the instruction which enlightens the understanding is not separated from the moral education which amends the heart." — Alexis de Tocqueville

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December Newsletter

News & Updates:

Fall Fundraiser. Many thanks to all of our students and parents for your strong support of our fundraiser on election day (November 3). We raised over \$1,500 for the school!

Many thanks (again!) for your support of Operation Christmas Child (we packed 280 boxes this year) and Bethany House (providing winter clothing to children in need).

Field Trip. Our trip to the Nutcracker was a great success - many thanks to those parents who served as chaperones.

Live Nativity Pageant

Saturday, December 12 @ 10:30 am



Hear the Archangel Gabriel retell the story of Christ's Nativity, then come inside for Hot Cocoa, Cookies and a visit from St. Nicholas.

All are Welcome
(bring a friend)!



O Come, Let us Adore Him Christ the Lord!

St. Mark's Church warmly welcomes you to join us for services during Advent or Christmas:

Advent 3 (Advent Lessons & Carols) 12/13 - 10am

Advent 4 (Holy Communion) 12/20 - 10 am

Christmas Eve - Lessons and Carols, 5 pm

Christmas Eve - Candlelit Holy Communion, 10:30 pm

Christmas Day - Holy Communion, 10 am



You're Invited!

The Reimer family have invited all school families & faculty to a Christmas Caroling party at their home, on December 21st at 6 pm. RSVP to Hannah Reimer.

On the Calendar:

December 12 - Live Nativity (10:30 am)

December 18 - No School (Teacher in-service)

December 21 - School Christmas Party at the Reimers'

December 21-January 1 - Christmas Break

December 24 - Christmas Eve at St. Mark's - 5 & 10:30 pm

December 25 - Christmas Day Holy Communion, 10 am

January 6 - The 12th day of Christmas (The Epiphany of our Lord to the Gentiles)

Hymns in Advent:

During Matins and Evensong, we are learning:

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus (Stuttgart)

O Come, O Come Emmanuel (Veni Emmanuel)

Rejoice, Rejoice Believers (Greenland)

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending (Helmsley)

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry (Winchester New)

Lift Up Your Heads Ye Might Gates (Truro)

Once in Royal David's City (Irby)