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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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| Sunday Morning | |
| Continental Breakfast | 9:20 a.m. |
| Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| Bible Study & Conversation | 11:15 a.m. |
| Wednesday Evening | |
| The People's Pantry | 5:00 p.m. |
| The Clothes Closet Ministry | |
| Community Dinner | |
| Prayer Service | 6:30 p.m. |

Dr. Darryl DeBorde, Minister
Bill Ess, Music Minister
office@BradenPark.org

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Our Church Family

At Home

Kevin Avery Alice Barrett Elizabeth Burke Nancy Holdt
Paula McPherson Georgia Metcalf Bonnie Nutting
Annette and Dennis Parker Billy Shafer Margaret VanHorn

Nursing Centers

Marion Corbett University Village Health Center #333
Hugh Enos Broken Arrow Nursing Home

Prayer Note: At the time of publication, *Billy Shafer* had taken a hard fall damaging his recent back and neck repairs. It appears they may have to redo his surgery at Hillcrest Medical Center.

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Our Lottie Moon and Global Missions Offering

Help Reach Our World for Christ

Our Goal: \$1,000

Updated Abridged Church Directories are now available through the church office in time for the holiday mailing season. Contact the office by email office@bradenpark.org or pick one up in the church foyer.

A Congregational Meeting will be held **Sunday, December 29**, after the worship hour to discuss the Proposed Budget and pending action concerning the mutual operational agreement with Monte Los Olivos.

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

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| Weekly Budget Need | \$ 2,073.00 |
| General Receipts December 8..... | \$ 1,449.00 |
| Christmas Global Missions Offering to date..... | \$ 250.00 |

Thank You to all who are providing sustaining tithes and offerings.

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Reflections

Here are excerpts from a Christmas meditation, *Advent: Incarnation and the Sacramental Life*, by **Dr. Preston Clegg**, pastor of Second Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas:

Christ is found in the ordinary, physical stuff of life... The chorus of angels blends with the mooing of cattle and the bleating of sheep... Jesus was born inside of history, not without. The good news of Christmas isn't "God over us," or "God above us," or "God before us in the future," but "God with us" in the here and now... In the Christmas story, heaven and earth rub shoulders and angel feathers and sheep manure are found in close proximity... The Good News doesn't show up in holy places; it shows up in ordinary places and makes them holy... (Read the meditation in full at GoodFaithMedia.org)

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

Third Sunday in Advent

10:00 a.m. Rejoice Greatly
Isaiah 61:10-11

The Christmas Eve Candlelight

Lord's Supper Service

6:00 p.m.

with a reception to follow

Our Appreciation is extended to *Bryan and Deacon Enos*, and to *Rita and John Snellgrove*, for beautifully decorating the church for the Christmas season. And a **Thank You** goes to the Will Rogers High School Community Foundation for the donation of a dozen extra poinsettia plants to the church.

January Bible Study and Message Emphasis:

Making Sense of the End Times

The Sermons in January will focus on such topics as: The Anti-Christ, The Rapture, The Four Horsemen, Armageddon, The Millenium, and the Great Banquet. Supplementing the messages will be the video series, *What Happens Next: A Travelers Guide Through the End of the Age*, by Max Lucado.