

This week's opportunities:

Sunday, December 12

9:30a 9:30 *Alive!**
11:00a Traditions*
5:30p Youth Group

Thursday, December 16

8:00a Men's Bible Study
10:00a Women's Bible Study
7:00p GodSong

Monday, December 13

7:00p Scout Troup 288

Tuesday, December 14

10:00a Intercessory Prayer (Room 209)
6:30p Praise Choir
7:30p Praise Band

Wednesday, December 15

9:30a Mom to Mom*
6:00p C.I.A. (Children In Action)
6:00p Bible Study (Room 207)*
6:00p Y.C.A.M. (Youth Creative
Arts Ministry)

**Please silence cell phones and
other electronic devices during
our worship.**

*Indicates childcare provided
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Youth Minister	Kelly Minter
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Contemporary Music	Scott Tinsley
Traditional Music	Diane Wright
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Welcome to Ponte Vedra United Methodist Church!

We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us. It is our desire that you will feel the warmth of God's Spirit, and will return soon.

MESSAGE

Rev. Jeff Bennett

“Season of Salvation or Celebration of Stuff?”

*Luke 1:46b-55
(Page 57 N.T.)*

This Morning's Music

The Lord's Prayer

Joy To the World

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Hallelujah (He Is Here)

Rejoice



The flowers at the altar today are given by Bob Harding in celebration of Carol Harding's birthday. Happy birthday, Carol!

Thank you, **Anne Torgerson**, for bringing us Children's Time this morning. Thank you, **Carol Kilpatrick** for bringing us the morning announcements.

Following Children's Time, children through 5th grade are invited to enjoy 40 minutes of crafting and learning at Kingdom Kids.

Mission Blitz is coming! Sign up in the lobby this morning to be a part of our church wide mission event! **Beginning Monday** we will be working on homes, hosting holiday celebrations for kids, beautifying parks and reaching out to our communities. Come for a day; be a part of the entire event or anything in between. Not able to physically join us? Sign up to prepare or sponsor a meal for the participants! Contact **Kelly Minter** (kelly.minter@pv-umc.org) for details.

Take the Advent Challenge! In the name of Jesus, **give half of what you'd spend on Christmas gifts** to those suffering extreme poverty. PVUMC's Council on Ministries is designating the people of **Haiti** as recipients of our special Advent offering. In fully meeting the challenge, some might give half of their gift-giving budget; others might match dollar-for-dollar what they're spending on family and friends. Even the smallest of gifts will lessen human suffering and may even save a life!

At the rear of the sanctuary you'll find **The Giving Tree** which is adorned with Christian symbols called Chrismons and gift cards from Publix. You are invited to take a **Publix gift card** from the tree and have Publix "charge it up" in an amount of \$15, \$20, or \$25. Place it in the offering plate the following Sunday and we'll get the cards to [BEAM](#) (Beaches Emergency Assistance Ministry) where staffers will distribute them to those in need of diapers, formula and food items not available in the BEAM pantry. (Please don't put more than \$25 on a single card; a gift of multiple cards is preferred.) Forget to get a card from the tree? Any grocery gift card will do!