

## This week's opportunities:

### Sunday, December 4

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

### Thursday, December 8

8:00am Men's Bible Study  
7:00pm Traditional Choir Rehearsal

### Monday, December 5

6:00p Scout Troop 288

### Tuesday, December 6

10:00a Intercessory Prayer (Room 209)  
6:00p Scout Troop 291  
6:30p Praise Choir  
7:30p Praise Band

### Wednesday, December 7

6:00p C.I.A. (Children In Action)  
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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## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Jeff Bennett
Youth Minister	Kelly Minter
Children's Minister	Anne Torgerson
Contemporary Music	Scott Tinsley
Traditional Music	Elisabeth Callahan
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# *I Have Seen The Light*



December 4, 2011 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Presented by:  
Traditional Choir  
Praise Choir  
C.I.A. (Children In Action)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Kilpatrick (9:30)  
Susan Gelb (11:00)

LIGHTING OF  
THE ADVENT WREATH Jeff, Catherine, Christy &  
Faith Timm (9:30)  
Jen & Hannah Howard (11:00)

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS Danny Booth



## *I Have Seen the Light* *The Search for Christmas*

“I Wonder as I Wander”  
Soloist, Jack McCall

“The Triumph of the Skies”  
with  
“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”  
“O Little Town of Bethlehem”  
“We Three Kings”

“Light Your Christmas”

“Wishing on Stars”

“Wishing on Stars Reprise”  
(Children K-5 may be dismissed to Kingdom Kids)

“Let Christmas Come Tomorrow”  
Soloists, Dona Prall, Kris Boehner

“Alleluia, Emmanuel”  
with

“What Child is This?”  
“The Majesty and Glory of Your Name”

“Gloria”  
with

“Angels We Have Heard on High”

“Star of Bethlehem”

“In the Manger”

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

“I Have Seen the Light”  
Soloists, Elisabeth Callahan, Scott Tinsley

“Finale”  
with

“The Triumph of the Skies”  
“Gloria”

“I Have Seen the Light”



Narrators  
Bette McEvoy, Cynthia Jordan

BLESSING

Rev. Jeff Bennett

Our pastor, staff and musicians have served us well this year. If you'd like to bless them with a monetary gift at Christmastime designate your gift "**Staff gift**" and turn it in by December 20 to the office or through the weekly offering.

***Fulfilling Our Faith*** with our time, talent, and resources is an ongoing stewardship challenge for each of us. For those not yet tithing (giving 10% of) their income, please consider taking **the 2% challenge**: increasing your giving by 2% of your income. The anticipated budget is lean but continues to support our spiritual and outreach programs. **We are now receiving 2012 pledge cards.**

Anyone who currently does not have **offering envelopes** but would like them for 2012, please sign up on the clipboard on the table at the rear of the sanctuary or you can e-mail our accountant Jim Larsen at [jim.larsen@pv-umc.org](mailto:jim.larsen@pv-umc.org). If you have been receiving envelopes but do not wish to use them, we would like to know that too.

Plans for the new year? New 2012 monthly sign-up sheets for **altar flowers** and **Sunday morning snacks** are now available. When leaving the sanctuary, turn right and look to the wall on the left, just outside the infant nursery.

The culture around us celebrates the "joy" of Christmas, but it's really more a general sense of warm and fuzzy feelings connected to holiday memories with family & friends. Real joy comes after we've been willing to allow God to deal with the brokenness in our lives; this is what Advent is designed to do. We can't express the joy of being found unless we can name the fact that we've been lost, our identity compromised, and our fortunes squandered on things of no ultimate value. Next Sunday our text is Psalm 126; Pastor Jeff's message is entitled, **Restore Us, O God: Joy.**



The flowers at the altar today are given by Janet Gardiner in loving memory of her husband, Alan.

**Following Children's Time** kids through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to enjoy 40 minutes of crafting and learning at Kingdom Kids this morning. Children will be dismissed following the singing of "Wishing on Stars."

The morning snacks are provided by Loree Reed in honor of Hart Felt Ministries and our sister church in Cuba. Thank you!

**Are you new to Ponte Vedra UMC** and wondering what we are all about? We invite you to attend **Discover Church at Ponte Vedra UMC** after each service **today**. This is a short, informal gathering with church staff and leadership where you can learn more about the spiritual growth, mission, and ministry opportunities available. Refreshments will be served. It will be held at 10:30 in the last classroom on your right as you exit the sanctuary and at 12:00 in the sanctuary.

At the back of the sanctuary you'll find **The Giving Tree**, adorned with **Publix gift cards**. You are invited to take a 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!

The **St. Augustine Community Orchestra** will present "**A Classic Christmas**" at PVUMC **next Sunday at 3:00pm**. The music will include all-time favorites such as Leroy Anderson's "Sleigh Ride", selections from Peter Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Ballet Suite", and an audience sing-along of traditional carols, including 'Feliz Navidad' of "Salsa Carols" from the Caribbean and Puerto Rico. Admission is \$10 at the door; children 12 & under admitted free.

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