

CHRONICLE PLUS**TODAY at COMMUNITY CHURCH****December 9, 2018**

9:00 am	Bible Study	Parlor
10:00 am	Worship & Sunday School	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Djembe Drummers	Chapel
11:00 am	Fellowship Hour	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Pageant Rehearsal	Chapel
11:30 am	Christmas Fair Meeting	Library

Update on Annual Giving Campaign: As we near the end of our annual giving campaign, we have received 106 pledges, for a total of \$205,100. This is 70% of our goal of \$290,000 that we need to sustain our work together in 2019. Thank you very much to all of you who have responded so far! If you haven't had an opportunity to give, please go to <http://ccdurham.org/> and click "Donate online". The category you want to choose is Automated/Annual Giving. For questions, or if you prefer a weekly envelope, please let Dianne know at diannet@ccdurham.org, or at 868-1230!

Pledge Reminder: If you made a pledge for 2018 and are not sure how close you are to completing it, please contact Dianne at 868-1230 or diannet@ccdurham.org. Your support is greatly appreciated!

CHRISTMAS FAIR DEBRIEF: Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Christmas Fair so much fun, and a financial success! We plan to hold a debrief meeting this **Sunday (12/9) at 11:30** in the library for anyone who would like to come. This will be a chance to discuss what went well, and what we might want to change next year.

"Won't you be my neighbor?" SWEATER SUNDAY! December 16 We welcome sweater donations (new and like new, children and adult sizes) on this 3rd Sunday of Advent JOY. Sweaters will be donated to CrossRoads, Haven, and My Friend's Place. Yarns of every color adorning the sanctuary window sills represent diversity and the JOY of weaving together our common humanity. This decor will also serve as a reminder to bring your sweater donations to church on December 16!

The Giving Tree. The Giving Tree, a cherished tradition at Community Church, is located at the front of the sanctuary with color coded stars hanging on it. Each star represents a gift request from an individual or family served by one of three local organizations that our church supports and the Pastor's discretionary Fund. Feel free to take a star or stars. Gifts should be returned, unwrapped, with the star attached by **Monday, December 17th**. Thank you for your generosity.

Fellowship Hour: After worship fellowship hour is one of the many ways we build community! Could you host 'coffee hour' one Sunday? Simple snacks are wonderful and there are plenty of folks who will help with perking coffee. There's a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall: which Sunday is your day to host?

Thanks to all who participated in our first **Dine with Nine** held on Nov 4! Our next **DWN dinner will be held on February 10 at 5pm** at a host's home. One change will be that we will NOT meet at the church first. I will organize groups one week before the dinner, so everyone can communicate and plan the meal together. People will email myself (jimmyhartman@outlook.com) or call 703.946.8698 of your interest of attending the **dinner by Feb 3**. Please indicate if you would like to host with the entrée or indicate what item you would bring to a host's home (Salad, side, dessert, App). Please include number in your household attending along with any dietary restrictions. I appreciate everyone trying out the new format and I hope we see more and more new people join us each dinner. I hope we can continue to build new relationships with one another or strengthening ones we already have to make us a stronger community of faith serving the greater purpose the holy one has for all of us.

Thank you! Jimmy Hartman

Videos of the 300th Anniversary Worship Service and Pageant have been completed. If you would like to have a copy, please bring a thumbdrive (4 GB) to the office to have one made.

Please submit items for the Chronicle Plus to office@ccdurham.org by noon on Wednesday for inclusion the next Sunday. Thank you!