

Program shines light on holiday

What a difference having a plan, developing a strategy and being organized can make when it comes to delivering on a promise. Just ask Lynn Baker.

Baker and two other real estate professionals, Carole Pray and Sandy Christopher, took over operation of this year's holiday food/gift program for the Lighthouse in Pontiac.

"Last year there were very few volunteers and one woman to deliver to 500 families," Baker said. This year there are 10 volunteers working each weekday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. since Nov. 29 through Dec. 23.

Since the three women are members of the Birmingham Bloomfield Board of Realtors, that's largely where their volunteers have come from. But the effort is not a project of the board.

Having the volunteers and the organization, however, has meant that an additional 400 families and 100 seniors will be served this year, Baker said.

Families and seniors were interviewed for eligibility by the Lighthouse, and were adopted by companies which bought toys, food and clothing.



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Santa's workshop: Sorting through a pile of toys for boys and girls of all ages is Carole Pray of Franklin Village.

A mailing of 2,000 pieces was sent out seeking donors, but more donors are still needed. Fifty fam-

ilies are still not covered.

"People need to know this makes a Christmas," Baker said.

"Even though we work full time, this is more important. We get a lot from it, and it serves a need."

Condition red: All wrapped up in volunteering her time to make sure some needy families enjoy the holiday is Jeanne Bryant of Beverly Hills.



The Franklin Community Church
In Historic Franklin Village,
United Methodist in affiliation, ecumenical in spirit.
Welcomes you to share the warmth and beauty
of Christmas Time in a colonial setting.
7:00 P.M. FAMILY SERVICE
11:00 P.M. LATE SERVICE

Minister:
Dr. Richard C. Cheatham

Franklin Community Church
5475 Normandy Road
Franklin
(South of I-49 at 1/2 mile N of
I-49 West on Washington)

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship
Farmington First United Methodist Church

4:30 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.
Nursery. All Welcome

Christmas Sunday
December 26 at 10:00 a.m.

33112 Grand River • Farmington
(Just East of Farmington Rd.)

Nativity United Church of Christ
9435 Henry Road at West Chicago
Livonia, MI 48150 • 421-5400

Rev. Donald Lintelman, Pastor
CHRISTMAS EVE
Family Service - 7:30 p.m.
Carols, Communion & Worship

Candlelight Service - 11:00 p.m.
Worship Service with Carols, Candlelighting
and Holy Communion
All Are Welcome!



A PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO GROW
Community Candlelight Service
5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve
Family Service - 7:30 p.m.
Carols, Communion & Worship
Nursery for infants
626-6900
23500 West 13 Mile Rd. • Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(Between Orchard Lake & Farmington Hwy)

Grace Chapel

27996 Halsted
Farmington Hills, MI 48331
Just N. of 12 Mile

December 24
Service at 5:00 p.m.

"Big Dreams - Humble People"
Luke 2:36-38
Dr. Anthony DeOrto

Lola Valley United Methodist Church
16175 Delaware at Puritan
Redford Twp., MI 48240
(313) 255-6330

Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service
For All Ages
December 24, 7:00 p.m.
Scripture
Carols and Special Music
Pastor - Rev. Susan Bonnettil Sillis

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1589 West Maple • Birmingham • 646-1200

Pastors
William A. Ritter Bruce E. Petrick
Bruce M. Denton Charles H. Beynon

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

4:30 p.m. Family Service - All ages welcome
7:00 - 9:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Christmas Lessons, Carols and Holy Communion

Meditation by Dr. Ritter
"A Cello For Jesus"

Child Care at 4:30, 7:00 and 9:00 p.m.

MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
35475 Five Mile Road • Livonia • 464-6722

CHRISTMAS EVE
Candlelight Service - 7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Worship - 9:30 & 10:45 a.m.
"Outstanding Gift Giving"
Steve Allen

Bible School - 9:30 & 10:45 a.m.
Our nursery will be open for all services.

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

33424 Oakland Avenue, Farmington
(Farmington and Grand River Avenue)

474-6880

The Rev. John E. Maki, Pastor
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE OF MUSIC,
CANDLELIGHT AND COMMUNION
7:30 p.m.

Barrier-free sanctuary; nursery staffed
Regular worship - Sundays, 10:45 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6443 Merriman Road
Garden City, Michigan
Phone (313) 421-8628

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

7:00 P.M. Family Candlelighting Service
Wassall Bowl between Services
10:00 P.M. Carol Candlelighting Service
All Are Welcome

NEWBURGH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, MI

CHRISTMAS EVE - Three Services

6:30 p.m. Special Family Worship Service, Carols and
Candlelighting. Nursery provided -
8:30 p.m. Worship Service with Carols and Candlelighting.
11:00 p.m. Worship Service with Carols, Candlelighting,
and Holy Communion.

Special music by Choirs, Organ and Handbells.

St. Paul's United Methodist Church

620 Romeo St., Rochester
(located 1 blk. N. of University, and five blocks S. of Rochester Rd.)
651-9361

Christmas Eve Services

(Crib and Toddler Care available at all Christmas Eve Services)

5:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Family Celebrations and Candlelight Services

Meditation - "Lost and Found"

Dr. Hickey

11:00 p.m. - Worship and Candlelight Service

Sermon - "Basking in the Glory"

Dr. Hickey

Sunday Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Nursery and Toddler Care provided

Church School at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve 7:30-8:30 p.m. Silent Holy Communion
Celebrant - Dr. Hickey

ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

30450 Farmington Rd.
Farmington Hills, MI
(between 15 and 11 Mile Roads)
626-3620

Pastors: Paul F. Blomquist, David E. Huseltnre, Edward C. Coley
Director of Music: Jan Brachel

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 p.m. - Traditional Family Service
Cantata: "Three Wise Men and a Baby"
Adventure and Wesley Choirs
Candlelight Closing
Outdoor Living Nativity following service

9:00 p.m. - Traditional Worship Service
Chancel Choir and Orchard Bells Choirs
Christmas Eve Meditation
Candlelight Closing

11:00 p.m. - Quiet Service of Meditation
Chancel Choir,
Holy Communion
Candlelight Closing

Nursery for crib from 3 years old on 5:00 p.m. only Christmas Eve

Nardin Park United Methodist Church
29887 West Eleven Mile Road
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48336
476-8860

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES
4:30 P.M.

Christmas Eve Family Service

6:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m., and 11:00 p.m.

Services of Lessons and Carols

"A Teen Who Came Home For Christmas"

Pastor Richard A. Peacock

Communion at 11:00 p.m.