

DECEMBER 20+21, 2025 THE GIFT OF GRACE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS



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Matthew 1:6; 2 Samuel 11-12; Isaiah 9:1-7

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

— Isaiah 9:2

| Living in darkness | | |
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| We have ag | ainst us we cannot | · |
| We have a | for more and can never ge | t |
| We have our | telling us we are fine on ou | r |
| Finding the light | | |
| The light of the world is not a | , it's a | · |
| - Isaiah 9:6-7; John 8:12 | | |





Monday

READ: Matthew 1:3-6

REFLECT: Genealogies are often used to impress others. If Matthew was making up Jesus' genealogy, he probably would have used more impressive names. However, Jesus has a real family tree that is full of broken people, including David and Bathsheba. Yet, God uses this genealogy of brokenness to bring restoration to mankind.

RESPOND: How can God bring restoration through your own family's brokenness? Ask God how you can play a redemptive role in bringing restoration to your family.

Tuesday

READ: 2 Samuel 11-12

REFLECT: Bathsheba's story reveals how darkness is all around us. David's part of the story highlights how this darkness also lives in us. Both David and Bathsheba lived in shame, but God still brought redemption and light. He does the same in our lives today. He can still shine light on our darkness so we can step out and move toward him.

RESPOND: Ask God to reveal any darkness in and around you. How can you ensure you respond to the sins of others (or your own sins) in a biblical and healthy way?

Wednesday

READ: 1 Kings 15:5

REFLECT: Even though David committed grave sins, God did not look at his entire life through this one brief chapter. God viewed David as a man after his heart (Acts 13:22) and one who was continuously faithful. God views us through the lens of his perfect Son, Jesus. Regardless of our imperfections, he still views us as faithful.

RESPOND: Knowing this, how can you respond to the way God views you? Write down several ways you can respond in gratitude to God's love for you.

Thursday

READ: Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

REFLECT: Isaiah revealed the reality that darkness had permeated God's people and the world. But, in this darkness, Isaiah prophesied of the great Light (Jesus) that is going to come into the world. This is a message of hope! Our reason for celebrating this season is the birth of Christ who comes to bring light to our darkness.

RESPOND: What are some practical ways you can celebrate the light Jesus brings this Advent season?

Friday

READ: Ephesians 2:8

REFLECT: Jesus' light is expressed through his grace. His light not only exposes the darkness but removes it. Therefore, we can receive the gift of his light and reflect it to others so they will want it as well.

RESPOND: How can you share the gift of Jesus this weekend? Ask God to reveal someone you can bring his light to.

New here?

We're so glad you're here. We'd love to meet you, answer your questions, and help you get connected at PCC. If you're ready to learn more, we invite you to do any/all of the following:



Connect Card

We'd love to get to know you and help you get connected! Scan the code to fill out a digital Connect Card.





Guest Services

Stop by Guest Services in the lobby. We'd love to get acquainted, give you a welcome packet, and a gift. If you have questions, we have answers!



Intro

Join us for Intro where you'll hear Pathway's story, meet some staff, and learn about next steps. Scan the code to sign up.





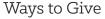
Re Engage

Mondays, January 19 - May 4 | 6:30pm

Whether your marriage is good and you want it to be great, or you are at rock-bottom and wonder if there is hope, ReEngage is a safe place to grow in your marriage. In this 14-week environment, we'll examine God's design for marriage and learn biblical principles so we can thrive in our most intimate relationships. We'll be encouraged and have opportunity to interact with other couples in a small group as we work through the curriculum together.

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5 | Drop your gift in the offering buckets or boxes



NEXT STEPS

JAN 10 | 5pm FEB 1 | 11am

INTRO

JAN 24+25

BAPTISM

GROUPS

ONGOING DAYS/TIMES VARY

LIFE GROUPS

FEB 1 | 5pm

NEW GROUP DINNER

WOMEN

MONDAYS | 9am

WOMEN'S COFFEE & CONVERSATION

JAN 12 | 6:30pm

WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

JAN 13 | 6:30pm

WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

JAN 14 | 12pm

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

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JAN 15 | 9am

WOMEN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

JAN 27 | 9am

MOM₂MOM

MEN

JAN 26 | 7pm

MANDAY MONDAY

MARRIAGE & PARENTING

JAN 14 | 6:30pm

TRUE VINE MOM SUPPORT GROUP

JAN 15 | 6:30pm

CULTIVATE CONNECTION

JAN 18 | 11am

TRUE VINE KINSHIP CAREGIVER COFFEE

JAN 19 | 6:30pm

RE ENGAGE

(Marriage Environment)

JAN 19 | 6:30pm

MERGE

(Pre-Marriage Environment)

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

JAN 10+11

FOOD PANTRY DONATION WEEKEND

(Every 2nd Sunday)

CARE & SUPPORT

MOST SUNDAYS | 7:45am Last Sunday of the month | 10:15am

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SUNDAY PRAYER GATHERINGS

TUESDAYS | 7pm

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

ANXIETY CLASS

Scan the code for more information

on these events

JAN 22 | 7pm

JAN 20 | 6pm

INFERTILITY & LOSS SUPPORT

FEB 5 | 6:30pm First Thursday of each month

BREAST CANCER COMMUNITY GROUP

COLLEGE

THURSDAYS | 7pm

PCC COLLEGE

STUDENTS

SATURDAYS | 5pm SUNDAYS | 9+11am

PROJECT 5 (5th Grade)

SUNDAYS | 9+11am

IMPULSE: DIGGING DEEPER

WEDNESDAYS | 6:15pm

IMPULSE (Middle School)

WEDNESDAYS | 7:30pm

IMPACT (High School)

JAN 9-11

IMPACT WINTER RETREAT

KIDS

SATURDAYS | 5pm SUNDAYS | 9+11am

KIDCITY



Saturdays 5pm | Sundays 9am+11am 1010 Carroll Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46845 260.469.4444



At the end of every year, we look for ways to be generous both inside and outside of our church walls. Our goal this year is \$250,000. Throughout the month of December, your year-end gifts will go toward the following:

Here—at Pathway

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

Renewed improvements and upgrades to our spaces

Near — Local Partners

FORT WAYNE RESCUE MISSION

Caring for men, women, and children in homelessness

REMEDYLIVE

Advocating for mental health and providing real-time online crisis support

YOUTH FOR CHRIST: CITYLIFE

Reaching young people in under-resourced neighborhoods

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

Resourcing area students with FCA Bibles

REDEMPTION HOUSE

Providing faith-based transitional living for women as an alternative to incarceration

Far — Global Partners

COMPASSION MOTHER AND INFANT SURVIVAL PROGRAM

Supporting pregnant mothers who live in extreme poverty in Tanzania — walking with them through pregnancy, childbirth, and their baby's critical first year of life

MISSION OF HOPE MEAL-PACKING EVENT

Funding and packing hundreds of thousands of meals that will feed starving children in Haiti



Scan the code to give, and select the "Year-End Generosity" designation.

We are grateful for the ways our church gets to come alongside these ministries, and we get to do that because of the ways you give. Thank you!



Worship with us this Christmas!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23 | 3pm + 5pm

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 | 1pm + 3pm + 5pm

Christmas in The Venue available at all service times except December 23 at 3pm.

Infant thru pre-k available in all services. No UpTown (k-4) during Christmas services.

All services live-streamed at pccfw.tv. All services are identical.

HOLIDAY WEEKEND WORSHIP SERVICES

DECEMBER 27+28

Services will be ONLINE ONLY. Worship with us at pccfw.tv.

Saturday, 5pm | Sunday, 9am + 11am

In-person worship services will resume January 3+4, 2026.

Christmas Serving Opportunities

KIDCITY

When you serve in KidCity, you help make Christmas Eve extra special for our youngest guests! You'll also bless parents with the opportunity to worship in our large gathering.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

If your heart is to help people feel welcome and comfortable at Pathway, we invite you to step into a Christmas serving opportunity on our coffee team, usher team, or greeter team!



Scan to learn more and sign up to serve.