## **Happenings and Announcements:**

<u>Christmas Eve Candlelight Services</u> will be at 4:30pm and 6:30pm. We invite you to join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior! The 4:30pm service will be live streamed. Nursery for infant to 3 years old will be provided at the 4:30pm service. You are encouraged to invite your friends, family, and neighbors! Invitations are available at the Information Desk.

<u>Christmas Eve Serving Opportunities:</u> Greeters and Candlelighters are needed for each of our Christmas Eve Services. If you would like to offer this gift of service, please contact the church office at office@lakecitycrc.org.

**2026 Family Prayer Calendars:** Children's Ministry to happy to provide 2026 Family Prayer Calendars! These 2026 Family Prayer Calendars are a super great resource!! We encourage you to consider using one with your family this year, or gifting one to grandkids or a family close to you. We have a limited number available at the Information Desk. If we run out, we're happy to share where we ordered them from. Suggested Donation: \$20.

<u>Backpacks for Kids December Food Focus:</u> You can help Backpack for Kids by bringing in donations of food! Each month we are going to focus on specific food items needed for our packs. For the month of December our focus is **Canned Chicken and Rice-a-roni mixes.** Donations may be placed in the green grocery cart in the narthex. Thank you

Read Through the Bible With Us in 2026! If you would be interested in reading through the Bible in 2026, please signup at the Information Desk!

Everyone has a story: "Therefore, encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11." Many thanks to all of you who have shared your Faith Story in Adult Connections over the past 3 years. Your transparency has encouraged us and built us up in the unity of Christ. Everyone has a story of the good work that God began in you. If you are feeling prompted to share a story of what God has done and is doing in your life, we would be blessed, encouraged, and built up to hear it. We have lots of openings in the new year for you to participate! Please sign up at the Information Desk or contact Mark Mortenson at 231.667.7426 or m2mort@yahoo.com.

<u>Inclement Weather Reminder:</u> If Lake City Schools are closed due to inclement weather, Children's and Youth activities/programs will be canceled. If a Sunday service should be canceled due to inclement weather, it will be posted on the church website and Facebook page. A text message (to those who have opted-in for texting) and an email will also be sent.

Weekend to Remember Marriage Retreat: Friday, April 10—Sunday April 12, 2026: Investing in your marriage is well worth it! At the Weekend to Remember marriage retreat you will find lifetime tools to strengthen your relationship, hear engaging talks from marriage experts, get alone with your spouse in guided, practical-application projects. This retreat will be at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Cost is: \$250/couple and you must use the code LCCRC when registering. Register at the website link below. You'll also be able to find out the schedule and other details for the weekend.

https://events.familylife.com/event/Kalamazoo2026/summary?

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Contact Pastor Wes at wes@lakecitycrc.org.

This Week: December 21, 2025	Next Week: December 28, 2025
Greeters	Greeters
Outside: Gerard Winkle, Rick Bradley	Outside: Nate Koetje, John Holyfield
Top (South doors): Linda Embertson	Top (South doors): Jim & Betty Ikerd
Bottom (East doors): Larry & Joy Fee	Bottom (East doors): Gord & Marcia Agema
Safety Team	Safety Team
Dennis Ellens	Rick Bradley
Coffee Hosts	Coffee Hosts
	Larry & Joy Fee
Ushers	Ushers
Bob Clark, Mel Zimmerman, Charlie Workman	Ross Vrieze, Casey Sigafoose, Don Bode
Nursery Lead	Nursery Lead
Nursery Lead  Karen Anscomb	Nursery Lead  Kristina Rogers
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