

# Greetings,



The dishes are done, the left-overs saved and put away, the folding table and chairs are put away, and now it is time to reflect. We have just a couple of days to do that – to reflect on what it is we are thankful for, before Advent begins because once December 1 gets here, our mindset changes and we shift. We begin to think about what it means to receive the gift of God incarnate into our lives. I was thinking about how strange that word “incarnate” sounds. It means “in a body” but to be honest, the only time I ever use the word “carne” is when I order “carne asada” at my favorite Mexican restaurant. Of course, Jesus tells us in Matthew 25, that whenever we receive someone else, we receive him. So, in a sense, during Advent, we really prepare to meet the “other” in all of their wonderful variety, and to look deeply at how the “other” reveals God to us. So, let the shifting begin.

*Here's what's coming up*

**Annual Business Meeting of the Congregation** will take place on December 8, following the service of worship. Lunch will be served by our Intergenerational Mission Trippers, and then the meeting will begin. We will elect folks to the various Boards and Committees for the coming year, and we will discuss and hopefully approve an operating budget for 2025. We hope that all of you will stay for this meeting.

**Advent readers** – the season of Advent is upon us. Each Sunday, we begin worship with the lighting of the Advent wreath. This includes a short liturgy. If you, or you and your family, or you and a friend would like to lead this liturgy for the congregation, please see Pastor Dave, or e-mail him at [revdavidgaeth@att.net](mailto:revdavidgaeth@att.net)

**Christmas Eve Worship Schedule** Advent is upon us, which means we also begin to think about Christmas Eve services. We will have three services of worship on Tuesday, December 24. 3:00 p.m. Children's Service will be full of carols, simple readings, and candle lighting. 5:00 p.m. Family Service will be a quieter service with lessons and a special Christmas meditation

**Thinking of taking a journey On April 4-6, 2025**, Middle Church and Freedom Rising will gather colleagues in New York City and online for The Fierce Urgency of Now conference. Join our team and a diverse cadre of visionary voices like Raquel Willis, Wil Gafney, Grace Ji-Sun Kim, LaTosha Brown, Robby P. Jones, David P. Gushee, Miguel De La Torre, Otis Moss III, Mark Thompson, Jacqui Lewis, and Hadrien Coumans. Together with preachers, poets, activists, artists, and writers, we will confront systems of oppression and ask the urgent question: Where do we go from here?. Pastor Dave is thinking about attending this event, and is wondering if other, progressive minded people would like to join him. If so, email him at [revdavidgaeth@att.net](mailto:revdavidgaeth@att.net).

Peace, Pastor Dave

# GCC Activities

November 28 - December 4

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THURSDAY

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

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THURSDAY

Men's Club Breakfast  
8:00 AM Noche in Greendale

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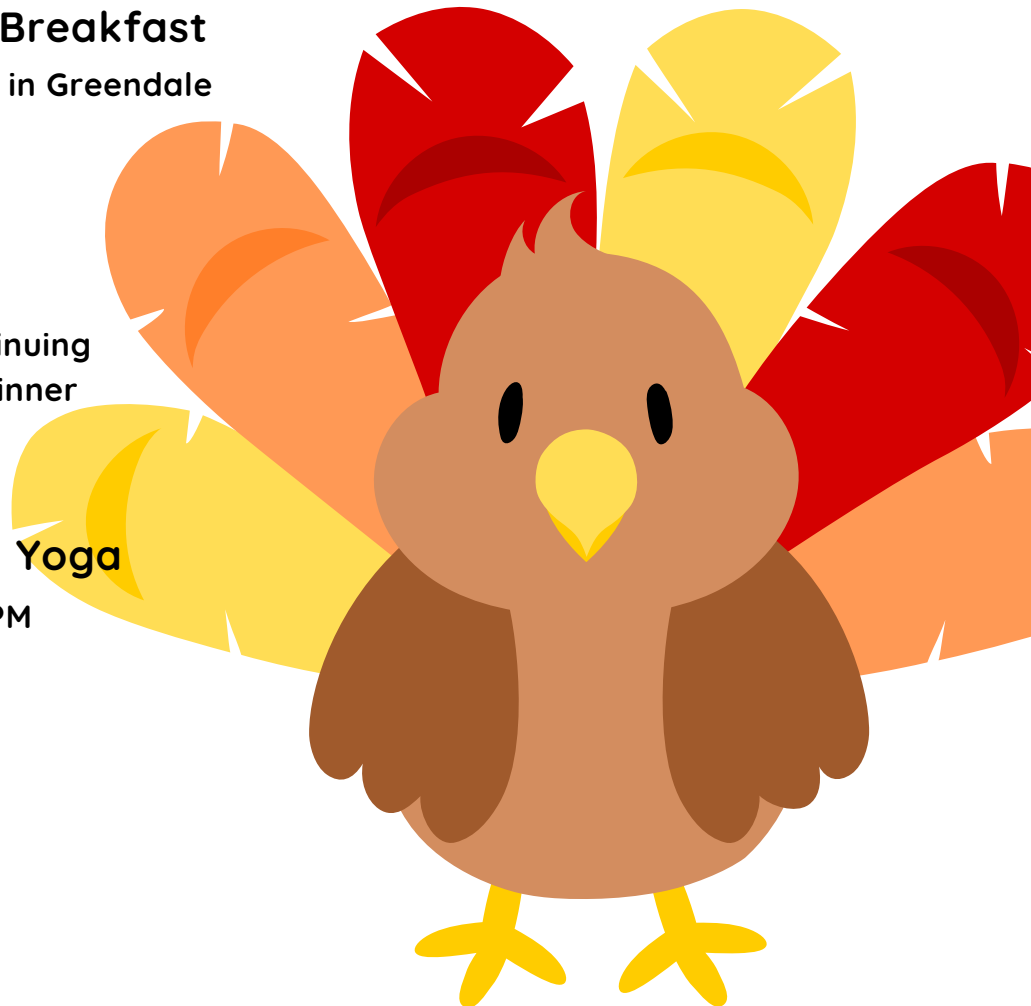
MONDAY

Tai Chi  
9:00 AM - Continuing  
10:00 AM - Beginner

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TUESDAY

Community Yoga  
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM



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# SUNDAY DAY

DECEMBER 1, 2024

# WORSHIP



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL & YOUTH MUSIC

## *Christmas Program*

WE ARE BEGINNING PREPARATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WITH THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN AND YOUTH MUSIC PROGRAMS. THE DATE IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22ND AT 9:30 AM DURING THE CHURCH SERVICE.

BEGINNING THIS SUNDAY, WE WILL BE GIVING THE CHILDREN OPPORTUNITIES TO HAVE A SPEAKING PART IN THE PROGRAM AND GIVING THEM A SCRIPT SO THEY CAN PRACTICE THEIR LINES. IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE A PART IN THE PROGRAM, **IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THEY ARE HERE ON DECEMBER 9TH AND 15TH** FOR THE PRACTICES DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL. IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM, BUT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BE IN ATTENDANCE FOR ONE OF THE PRACTICES, PLEASE CONTACT NANCY KRASE AT 414-460-6089. WE LOOK FORWARD TO PRESENTING CHRISTMAS FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH.





# Men's Club Breakfast

**Men's Club will be meeting on Thursday,  
December 5, at Noche in Greendale for  
breakfast at 8:00AM**

**No need to RSVP, feel free to just come**

Simple Supper and a



# MOVIE NIGHT

with Pastor Dave

06  
PM



08  
PM



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