

NEWS & NOTES

Men's Conference, December 2-3

The Men's Conference is coming up this Friday and Saturday! There is still time to register at riseuptexoma.com

Barnabas Volunteers

The Barnabas food pantry has had a substantial increase in clients requesting food. They need volunteers to **unload food products, stock shelves** and **help clients with shopping**. If you can volunteer your time one or two days per week please contact **Jimmy Elmore** at (903) 815-4480 or sign up on the app.

Ladies Gift Exchange

Ladies, join us for a gift exchange on **Monday December 5 at 6 PM** in the atrium. Bring a \$10 wrapped gift, a finger food to share and a friend!



Prayer List—Debbie Black, Steve Black, Betty Clark, Neal Odom, Ken Bell, Mike & Barbara Hardy

Ongoing Needs—Chris Reinsch, Shawn Landrum, Larry Long, Corky & Linda Armstrong, Sandra Aynes, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Kaile Williams (Norris), Jim Scroggins, Roy Galyon, Ernie & Kathy Sturch, Patrick Mullins, Vicki Ard, Joyce Henshaw

Homebound—JD Huffman, Dewey & Joyce Martin

Expectant Mothers—Brittni Calvert, Alissa Cope, Lauren Claborn, Whitney Allison, Melanie Truxal

Missions—Hammer & Dela Afakule (Togo), Mario "Pepe" Torre (Monterrey, Mexico), Jimenez family (Cartagena, Colombia), Cristian & Ana Corrales (Bucaramanga, Colombia)

Friends of Park Avenue—Rebekah Taylor (great niece of the Russell's), Becky Sanchez (wife of Gil Sanchez, Director of orphanage in Mexico), Greg Oliver (father of Karee Earnhart), Misty Duncan Raines (friend of Joyce Merworth), Jimmy Shelton (friend of Tracy Woodall), Ray & Marsha Jones (former members), Jane Beardain (former member)

Youth Ministry

- **Sunday Nov. 27th:** No regular Connect. Instead we are going to Boles Children's Home for worship. Leaving at 3pm!
- **Sunday December 11th:** Park Avenue Youth Christmas Party.
- **January 13th-15th:** Winterfest! Registration is online at PACOC.net/youth

Christmas Morning Candlelight Service

Make plans to join us this year for our Christmas morning Candlelight Service at 10 AM.



This week we are having **Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Salad, & Desserts**. The meal will be prepared by **Cina Catteau** and her team.



Sign up on your communication card Sunday morning to let us know if you plan to attend so we can plan accordingly!

For The Record—November 20, 2022

Worship	343
Offering Goal	\$19,461
Received	\$11,866

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Todd's Take

Good morning and welcome to our worship service. A special welcome to our guests. If you have any questions about Park Avenue or Christianity in general, feel

free to track down one of our ministers or elders or contact us any time.

With Thanksgiving in the rear-view mirror, I guess it's time to start thinking about Christmas. Every so often Christmas falls on a Sunday and this year is one of those "every-so-often's". With that in mind, **our Candlelight Service will be on Christmas Day itself rather than on Christmas Eve.** That Sunday we will have a one-hour service at 10 AM with no adult or children's classes. What an opportunity to gather together on Christmas Day to celebrate the birth of Jesus. I'm looking forward to that time together.

Even though Thanksgiving is behind us, today I will be talking about a world where instead of celebrating Thanksgiving we would celebrate Thanklessness. Imagine what our lives would be like if we were never thankful. Sadly, it's easy to slip into a thankless spirit and God help us never to do that.

We are in the process of preparing the **2023 budget** for the church which also means we are looking forward to how God will be working through us in the next year. PACOC is so blessed by all of you and your participation in the ministries of the church and your financial support of those ministries. We want to continue to let our light shine brightly so others can see the God who is constantly reaching out to mankind. As 2022 comes to a close please consider how you will serve and financially support our outpost of God's kingdom here in Texoma.

Another important event coming up in 2023 is our **elder selection process.** Years ago the leadership determined to go through this process every three years to designate new elders and also give the existing elders an opportunity to commit for another three years or to step aside based on their life circumstances. I urge you to be in prayer for God's leadership and direction in this important time. This three-year cycle is also an opportunity for all of us to be thankful for the spiritual leadership our Elders bring to the church. The process will begin early on in 2023.



We also want to express our appreciation to all the volunteers who worked last Monday and Tuesday at the **Barnabas Center** to make Thanksgiving possible for those in our community. We passed out 135 boxes!

Sunday Schedule

Adult Bible Class

9AM Room D

Worship

10:00 AM

Children Dismissed to Bible Classes at

10:45-11:30AM

0 - 3 Year Olds—Nursery Area
Pre K-6th Grade—Family Life Center

Youth Group Activities

5:30-7:30PM

Discipleship Making Communities (DMC's)

Meet at various times and locations. Contact Lantz Howard for more information.

Scan the QR code below for links to the communication card, news, and giving.



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