

STAYCONNECTED

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE

5:00 PM

Bring the family tonight to celebrate through praise, worship, and communion. (No childcare provided.)

CHRISTMAS EVE PARTY

Jake & Dana will host a Christmas Eve party at Katie Berkeley’s home (40 Turtle Rock Ridge, Blue Ridge) at 6:30 pm for food, games, and fellowship. All are invited.

THANK YOU

Each year, the Salvation Army provides Villa Heights with a list of the names of families in need during the holiday season. Because of your generosity, Kroger gift cards were distributed to provide Christmas dinner for 40 families this year! May God be glorified through these gifts. (See back of bulletin.)

LOTTIE MOON POST OFFICE

All cards must be picked up by January 7. Stop by and check for your cards today.

2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Pick up new offering envelopes from the table in the back hallway near the Fellowship Hall. If you would like a box of envelopes, please let Willie know and he will assign a box for you.

YEAR END PLANNING

You can give to Villa Heights in several different ways: by a traditional check or cash in the offering plate, online through our website, mailed to the church office (postmarked no later than December 31 for credit this year), or by donating stock to the church. Thank you for the tithes and offerings that you give to help us spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP

Welcome

Worship Through Praise

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

The First Noel

Christmas Offering

Children’s Message

Worship Through Giving

Offertory Prayer & Offering

Message Series: The Meaning of Christmas

“The Peace of Christ,” Luke 2:13-20


Invitation

Eagle’s Wings

Closing Prayer

Closing Chorus (We invite you to join hands with those around you)

Hosanna

 Sound enhancing earphones are available for the hearing-impaired.

Audio from this morning’s message will be available on our website. Visit villaheights.com and click on ‘Sermons’ to listen.

HOW DO I JOIN THE VILLA HEIGHTS CHURCH FAMILY?
You can become a member by:
1. Accepting Jesus as your Lord and Savior and being baptized, or by
2. Making a statement of faith declaring that you have accepted Christ and have been baptized by immersion in another church.
At the close of the service, the pastor will extend an invitation to those who want to trust Christ as their Savior, join the VHBC family, or make a spiritual decision in their lives for Christ. Our pastors will stand at the front to assist you. Simply tell them of your decision.

CONNECTIONCARD

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2017

WELCOME, GUESTS! We are glad you are here, and we hope you enjoy your visit with us. If you are a first time guest or have not done so before, please complete this card, tear it off, and place it in the offering plate during the worship service.

Mr./Mrs. _____
Ms./Miss _____ oMarried oSingle

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email _____

Home phone _____

Cell phone _____

Guest for: ___1st time ___2+ times Service time: ___8:30 or ___11 am

Please circle the best age range: under 18 18-20 21-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 60+
Names & ages of children living at home: _____

How did you first learn about our church?
o Invited by friend/family Name: _____

o Church Sign o Website o Facebook o Other _____

I would like information on:
o How to become a Christian o How to join the church o Information about the church
o Sunday School o Children’s Ministries o Youth Ministries
o Choir o Baptism

SERMONNOTES

“THE PEACE OF CHRIST” | LUKE 2:13-20
JAKE HUFFMAN

Peace of Christ- tranquility of mind, quietness of spirit and rest for the soul.

It is a gift from Jesus.

- John 14:27

It transcends circumstances and exceeds our understanding.

- John 16:33

To receive this gift we are called upon to trust Him.

- Isaiah 26:3,4 ESV

Trusting God has three facets.

1. Becoming like a child.
 - A child-like trust bonds us with God making us feel secure.
 - Psalm 91:2
2. Surrendering our will to God’s in obedience to Him.
 - When Jesus is in control His Peace fills our heart.
 - Luke 1:38
3. Learning from Jesus.
 - His direct, personal counsel is pure, humble and powerful.
 - Matthew 11:28,29

THISWEEK

TODAY, DECEMBER 24:

- 8:30 am: Worship Service
- 9:50 am: Sunday School
- 11:00 am: Worship Service
- 5:00 pm: Christmas Eve Worship Service
- 6:30 pm: Christmas Eve Party at Katie Berkley’s home hosted by Jake & Dana. All are invited.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26:

- 7:00 am: Men’s Prayer Breakfast, Famous A’s

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27:

No evening activities.

CHRISTMAS WEEK OFFICE HOURS:

- Wednesday & Thursday, 9am-4pm
- Friday, 9am-noon

WORSHIPATTENDANCE

1st: 120 2nd: 162 Sunday School: 176

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Christmas Dinner Fund

<i>Given by:</i>	<i>In Memory of:</i>
Kelly Faulconer ...	Harvey & Oreene Andes Remembering their love of serving others, especially at Christmas.
Linda Everhart ...	Merritt L. Spencer
Carol Gentilini ...	Roy & Zela Bryant
Juanita Bussey ...	Warren Bussey
Don Cook ...	Geraldine Cook
Lisa Taylor, Price and Danny Bryant ...	Darlene Bryant
John & Annette Yeatts	Loved ones
<i>Given by:</i>	<i>In Honor of:</i>
A friend ...	Thelma Taliaferro
John & Charlotte Crist ...	All those who have served to maintain our freedom



Thank you to all of our anonymous givers!



The Meaning of *Christmas*

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