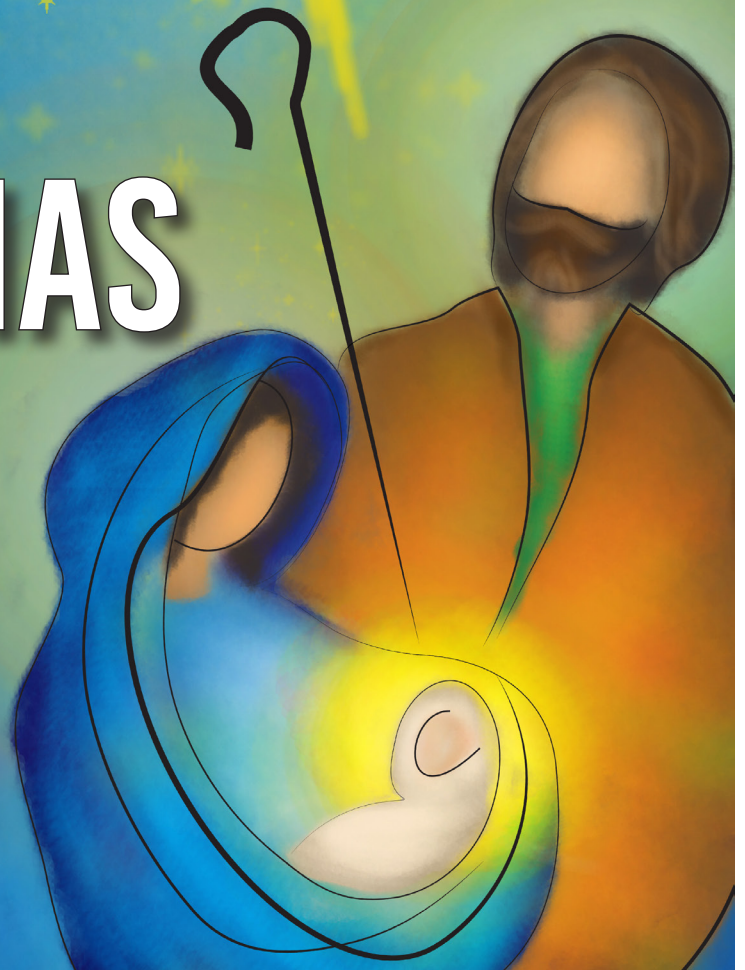


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# T'WAS THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS



# THE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS

The children of Grace UMC packed the Sanctuary as they performed "A Night Before Christ's Birth" at the 9:30AM service on December 11. Several children dressed as angels, shepherds, sheep, a mouse, narrator, and of course, Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus, acted out the story of the real reason we celebrate Christmas. It was quite a performance! If you happened to miss it, you can find it on our Facebook page and our YouTube Channel.

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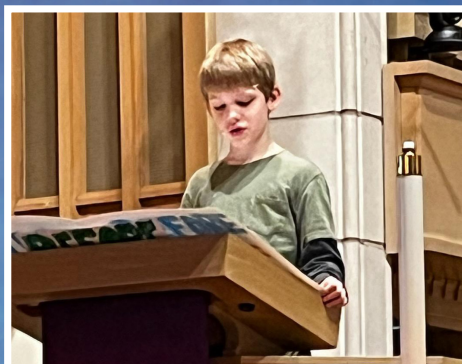
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## STORYTIME WITH RAGGEDY ANN PRESCHOOL

On December 12, children's Christian author Donna Frisinger came to share Bink and Slinky's Christmas adventures with Raggedy Ann Preschool students and their families. The families were able to meet and greet the author and enjoy hot cocoa, cookies and even a visit from Santa!



## YOUTH CHRISTMAS EVE OPPORTUNITIES

### CANDLE DANCERS

Rehearsals will be held on December 21 & 23 at 7PM at the church. All youth 5th Grade and older are welcome to participate.

### LUMINARIES

Come and help light the pathway around the church on December 24. Meet us by the church garage at 6PM.

### NATIVITY PLAY

To participate in the Nativity Play on December 24, please contact Melodie Ringer.

## LOOKING AHEAD

DECEMBER 25 | 9:30AM

Christmas Day Worship Service

JANUARY 1 | 9:30AM

Rev. Bill White will be leading the worship service on New Year's Day.

JANUARY 8 | 9AM & 10:30AM

We will resume two services on January 8. Pastor David Schrader will lead worship.

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