

SE Weekly Notes from November 7 2016 - January 8 2017:

Sunday Nov. 7

CTWK & Angel

Children: 7

Jason CTWK spoke to the congregation and explained the "Holiday Hearts" program in its 18th year with us.

He discussed with the kids how special this program is for families and children in need and more about the act of giving, allowing parents to wrap gifts for their children and not about presents.

The children prepared the hearts and then spent some time helping Jason during social hour as congregation came to pick the hearts.

Sunday Nov. 13

Anne Dean & Angel

Children: 3 (2 childcare)

As a group we did our opening circle, chalice, and joys and concerns and Anne gave instructions regarding planting and about special varieties of bulbs. We connected this helping task to our principles, did closing words and went out to plant. It was a beautiful warmish fall day easy for digging into the ground. Then we all watered the bulbs and went inside to share in potluck lunch.

Sunday Nov. 20

Jess & Ben

Children: 2

On Sunday we enjoyed a day of 'Thanksgiving Intentions.' The children made cards of thankfulness and were challenged by Ben & Jess to actually give them to a family member or someone in the community whom they thought might need a little unexpected kindness over the coming holiday week.

Sunday Nov. 27

Jess & Murray @ ArtisTree

Children: 3

We worked with model magic, used the overhead projector to make enlargements of our drawings--drawings exploring the subject of emojis--and finished up with Gods' Eyes. A personalized, participant driven morning, characterized by cooperation and fun.

Sunday Dec. 4

Geraldine, Angel & CTWK

Children: 6

we worked with Jason from CTWK's preparing and helping to organize the gifts to go out as part of the Holiday Hearts Initiative - bringing holiday joy to those in need.

Sunday Dec. 11

Michael Z & Geraldine

Children: 7

We had a great turnout of kids to our first Children's Choir Rehearsal for the Christmas Eve service. The children will be singing "Christmastime is Here". Forrest and Aidan will be playing alto saxophone accompanying! It is sure to be a great time.

Sunday Dec. 18

Michael Z & Jess

Children: 8

Another great rehearsal for our Christmas Eve Service. A few additional faces joined the group. Looking forward to a great time. The children also joined in at the end of the service for a fun routine with the Moving Spirit Dancers.

No SE on 12/25 & 01/01

Sunday Jan. 08

K-3: Angel (1),

4-6: Geraldine (5)

This Sunday, we spoke about the CTWK Anti-Cabin Fever Dinners. We made posters for the dinners to help promote them. We also reflected on 2016 and completed a "Year in Review" form.