



Education Team Minutes

December 3, 2017

Attendees:

Heidi, Christa, Chris, Eleanor, Laura, Sarah, Carolyn, Jeanette

Reviewed:

Bible Sunday, children enjoyed participating during the anthem as well.

Turkey trot - great participation. Zion food bank was already well stocked with food

We will look at splitting donations next year with other locations, i.e. Ahgape House

Movie field trip was a fun trip. Nice turn out. We will look at opportunities going forward for another family movie outing.

Greening of the church and Mitten tree. Kids had fun making ornaments to decorate the tree at the back of the sanctuary. We look to collect and date the ornaments and use selected ones from years past as well going forward on the tree. The tree itself would need to be replaced, we could not find an adapter for the lights and the stand is damaged. We will speak to Louisa about ED team purchasing a new tree after the season to use going forward.

The mitten tree is looking good, already has many items on it. We will keep it up through the holidays and collect everything and sort items to donate to local charity(s)

Good idea to have this year's new members and confirmands recognized today.

Upcoming Items:

Saturday, December 9th 8:30(?) to 12:30 (weather permitting)

Breakfast with Santa (alt. date 12-16) tickets are on sale now and notification in local paper to be placed as well. There are a few tickets left

Saturday, December 10th

Ugly attire Sunday, wear a striking shirt or sweater to win a contest

Friday, December 15th

Parents Night –Out 530-8pm. Patti, Heidi, and the Michaud's (and Chris K) will be there to start; Laura has volunteered to assist if needed. We have 8 confirmed children attending. Our current structure is to have most activity in Sessions Hall.

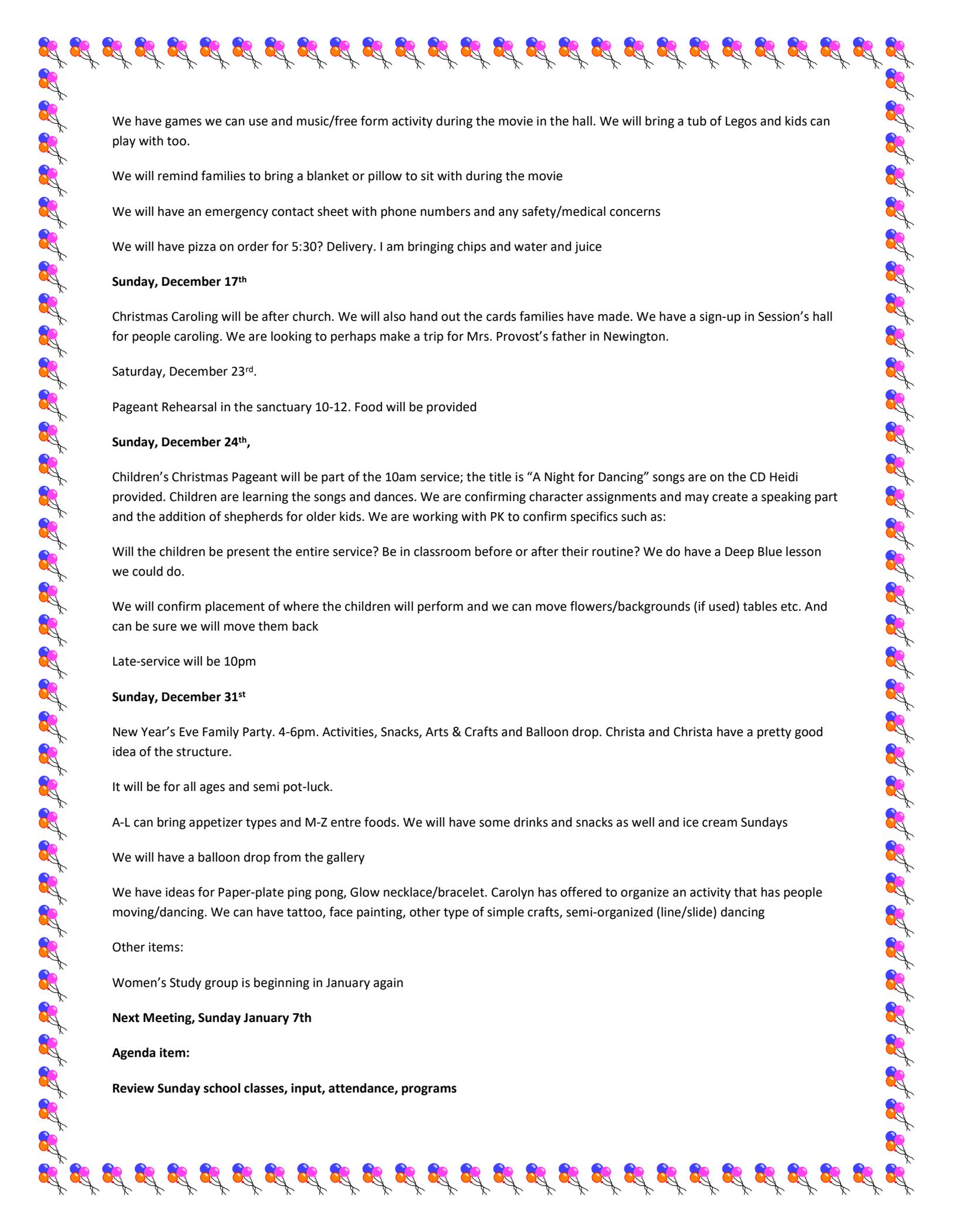
530-630, arrival, wreath craft and pizza, chips and drinks

630-740, movie in the sanctuary

740-8 decorates and eat cookie

We will have craft table set up for Heidi's craft of bell reindeer the children can make during the movie.

We will have a table with medium size shaped cookies, frosting and sprinkles the kids can decorate and eat. Probably sugar or gingerbread cookies.



We have games we can use and music/free form activity during the movie in the hall. We will bring a tub of Legos and kids can play with too.

We will remind families to bring a blanket or pillow to sit with during the movie

We will have an emergency contact sheet with phone numbers and any safety/medical concerns

We will have pizza on order for 5:30? Delivery. I am bringing chips and water and juice

Sunday, December 17th

Christmas Caroling will be after church. We will also hand out the cards families have made. We have a sign-up in Session's hall for people caroling. We are looking to perhaps make a trip for Mrs. Provost's father in Newington.

Saturday, December 23rd.

Pageant Rehearsal in the sanctuary 10-12. Food will be provided

Sunday, December 24th,

Children's Christmas Pageant will be part of the 10am service; the title is "A Night for Dancing" songs are on the CD Heidi provided. Children are learning the songs and dances. We are confirming character assignments and may create a speaking part and the addition of shepherds for older kids. We are working with PK to confirm specifics such as:

Will the children be present the entire service? Be in classroom before or after their routine? We do have a Deep Blue lesson we could do.

We will confirm placement of where the children will perform and we can move flowers/backgrounds (if used) tables etc. And can be sure we will move them back

Late-service will be 10pm

Sunday, December 31st

New Year's Eve Family Party. 4-6pm. Activities, Snacks, Arts & Crafts and Balloon drop. Christa and Christa have a pretty good idea of the structure.

It will be for all ages and semi pot-luck.

A-L can bring appetizer types and M-Z entre foods. We will have some drinks and snacks as well and ice cream Sundays

We will have a balloon drop from the gallery

We have ideas for Paper-plate ping pong, Glow necklace/bracelet. Carolyn has offered to organize an activity that has people moving/dancing. We can have tattoo, face painting, other type of simple crafts, semi-organized (line/slide) dancing

Other items:

Women's Study group is beginning in January again

Next Meeting, Sunday January 7th

Agenda item:

Review Sunday school classes, input, attendance, programs