

December 20, 2020

# two RIVERS church



MERRY



CHRISTMAS

## 1 Corinthians 13 – a Christmas Version

If I decorate my house perfectly with streamers, strands of twinkling lights and shiny balls, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen, baking dozens of mince pies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautifully adorned table, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another cook.

If I work at the soup kitchen, sing carols on the Church steps and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.

If I decorate the tree with baubles and fairy lights and attend a myriad of pre-Christmas parties but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug the child. Love sets aside the decorating to listen to loved ones.

Love is kind, though harried and tired. Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. **Love never fails.**

Video games will break, pearl necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust, but **giving the gift of love will endure.**

## PRAYER

- **Every Sunday morning at 10:15am** we will "circle up" in the auditorium for a brief, but essential time of seeking God. Please join us!!
- **Every 2nd Saturday at 10am** We meet here at the bldg. interceding for the people and ministries of this church.

**ALL ARE INVITED TO THESE PRAYER TIMES!!**

### December Birthdays

Jeff Kramer	08
Connie Schumann	08
Cheyenne Opall	13
Dalton Barrow	18
David Brown	28

**ANYONE ELSE??**

### tithe and offerings

please make checks payable to "two rivers church"

	received	budget	%
Year to date	\$ 177,298	\$ 192,450	92%
November donations	\$ 12,186	\$ 15,638	78%

You can now make on-line gifts on our web-site—even auto-pay through **PayPal**. [www.tworiverschurch.net](http://www.tworiverschurch.net)

Sunday Coffee Schedule

2RC—Where real people with real problems experience real love, forgiveness, and can become real disciples in Christ Jesus!

We are on-line !!! [www.tworiverschurch.net](http://www.tworiverschurch.net)

# HOME GROUPS

*two rivers is not a church with home groups, we are a church of home groups*

These communities are the most important thing we do at 2RC **ARE YOU CONNECTED??**

## Wednesdays

- Led by Meusers (503-651-3116)

Meet at William's home—29995 S. Black Bear Rd. in Canby—7pm

## Thursdays

- Led by Classens (503-819-0971)

Meet at Classen's home—2407 se Lindenbrook Ct. in Milwaukie—7pm

- Led by Kramer (503-919-1083)

Meet at Wall's home— ZOOM Meeting—7pm

## Fridays

- Led by Jones' (503-701-6791)

Meet at Wolvert's home - 1318 Sherri Ct. in West Linn - 6:30pm

Sermon Notes: **The First Christmas Gift**

**Luke 2:1-20**

**Jeff Kramer**

“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son,  
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life”

JOHN 3:16

### HOME GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- No questions this week. Merry Christmas!!

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Worship Service—**Sundays, 10:45am**  
Prayer - 10:30 am  
Community Time - 10:15am