

# The Broadcaster

Rose City Park Presbyterian Church

December 2010 / January 2011



“Tradition . . . !” (Sing this like Tevye from *Fiddler on the Roof*!) Most of us like traditions. The seasons of Advent and Christmas are tradition-rich. Traditions can be very comforting, but they have a down side as well. They can make it hard for new life to enter in. Who hasn’t heard, “the way we celebrate Christmas is like this. . .” followed by a description that doesn’t invite new ideas.

It can be daunting when newlyweds realize that the traditions each found comforting are seen as intrusive by the other. As families change due to marriage, childbirth, divorce, moving, or death, it can be challenging to find a balance between the comfort of traditions, and openness to doing things a new way – especially when the traditions can’t happen any more. The only constant in life is change. And all of us will have times when we find the old traditions no longer work, for whatever reason, and we feel bereft – in a place of wilderness far from what home used to feel like.

It has always seemed strangely ironic to me that Christmas is the time that God burst into human history in a way that had never occurred before, and we celebrate it by doing the same thing year after year after year. We remember the ways that God has worked among people. On Christmas Eve we will



hear the familiar narrative from Luke’s gospel, beginning, “In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all of the world should be registered . . .” Many of us can recite the story along with the reader, either from hearing it in church, having it read aloud at home on Christmas Eve, or even seeing Linus recite the story in *A Charlie Brown Christmas* . . . again and again and again. Actually, if we were to honor the Biblical tradition at Christmas, we would do something new each year.

We remember. And of course, that’s part of the role of tradition, to remember the stories and to claim them as our own. In remembering, we come to understand that we are part of a living tradition that includes the past, present, and future, so that we will also understand that our own stories – our lives – are part of that living tradition.

May you and yours honor your traditions, yet be open to the One who makes all things new!

Merry Christmas!

*David*

The Rev. David C. Dornack

# ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS

## *Advent Worship*

Advent began on Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> with our annual Advent Festival and continues through December 19<sup>th</sup>. Sunday morning worship will include the traditional lighting of our Advent wreath.

## *Advent Devotions*

Devotional materials for all ages will be available beginning Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> in the narthex. The brief readings in the devotional booklets lend themselves to daily ritual throughout Advent. This year we are being good stewards of our resources and using left-over devotionals from previous years. Help yourself to the one that strikes your fancy. Sets of materials have been prepared for families with children in our congregation and were passed out at the Advent Festival. If you did not receive yours, please check with Rev. Donovan Burkert-Kerr, and yours will be with you shortly.

## *Christmas Giving*

Once again we have two opportunities for Christmas giving. The article on page eight gives more information on the Christmas Joy Offering. At our Advent Festival, we packaged donated items for Janus Youth Programs. This year, if you have more to share, consider a gift of food to FISH Emergency Services. Collection barrels are located in the lower narthex and at the 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance.

## *Bach Cantata Choir Concert – December 10*

Music of the Season in our beautiful sanctuary: the Bach Cantata Choir and Orchestra presents J.S. Bach's *Christmas Oratorio, Parts 1-3*, and works by Sebastian Knuepfer and Michael Praetorius on Friday evening, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$23 for adults, \$18 for students and seniors and can be purchased in advance from Bach Cantata Choir member Woody Richen or at Box Office Tickets ([boxofficetickets.com](http://boxofficetickets.com)). Don't delay! This concert often sells out.

## *Christmas Caroling – December 18*

Come-A-Caroling! The High School and Middle School Youth would like to invite the congregation to join us on December 18<sup>th</sup> for Christmas Caroling. We will meet in the church library at 3:30 p.m., hand out song books and then head out into the neighborhood to spread Christmas cheer. We should be back at the church around 4:30 or 5:00 p.m. for hot cocoa and treats. Join us to make merry!

## *Go Tell It on The Mountain – December 19*

Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, during morning worship, gather for our annual Christmas Program. The prophets foretell the coming of the Promised One. The people sing. The children reenact the oldest story of love come to live on earth. The choir sings. We prepare for the wonder of the Christ Child's birth. The Holiday Orchestra plays. A bake sale to benefit our youth's mission work follows in the fellowship hall.

## *Christmas Eve – December 24*

**Early Eve Worship at 5 p.m.** is a traditional Christmas Eve candlelight worship service for young and old, perfect for those who retire early. The Rev. Donovan Burkert-Kerr will lead. **Candlelight Communion Worship at 9 p.m.** is a beautiful way to usher in the birth of Christ. The Rev. David Dornack will lead; the Chancel Choir will sing. Fellowship time follows this service with wassail and Christmas cookies in the parlor. Both services will be held in the sanctuary. Doors will open 30 minutes before each service. Enter the building through the narthex doors.

## *Senior High and Alumni Brunch – December 26*

The High School Youth invite recent graduates and College-age alumni to join them for brunch on December 26<sup>th</sup>. After worship, we will all gather in the tower room and enjoy tasty treats as we catch-up with one another and reminisce about Pancake breakfasts and mission trips gone by.

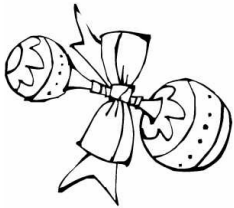
## *Epiphany Worship – January 2*

Twelfth Night — or Epiphany of the Lord — is the day we celebrate the magi's adoration of the Christ Child. We will celebrate Epiphany in worship on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, a few days ahead of the actual designated day of January 6<sup>th</sup>.

# ROSE CITY FAMILY NEWS

## New Babies

**Fiona Marie Fierro** was born October 25<sup>th</sup> in Truckee, CA. Parents are Willow and Craig Fierro. Great-grand parents are Bob and Irene Winger; great-aunt and uncle are Becky and Bill Duncan.



## Thank You

Thank you to all who sent notes or spoke wonderful words of support to our family after my father's death. We were and are surrounded and embraced by your love.

— donavan

A BIG thank you to all the folks who helped to put on the Harvest Festival: Peter, Shannon, Steve B., Nancy, Jim M., Bobbi, Tori & some of "her kids", Steve S. & the Cotton Candy Cowboy; AND to our special guest, Balloon Artist Joe Mishkin. Also, thank you to everyone who brought goodies for the Cake Walk. Along with the outstanding food we had great fun with pumpkin bowling, fish pond, cake walk, face painting, making luminaries, toss game, apple juicing, and cotton candy. Clean up went quickly with many folks helping and with almost no dishes to clean from the pot luck.

— Rick Harlow, Chair  
Outreach & Communications Comm.

## MISSION STUDY EVENT

Thank you to all who stayed after worship on November 21<sup>st</sup> for the Mission Study Event. This event was the first of several activities designed to enable the committee and the congregation to listen to each other and to name who we are as a congregation.

We ate muffins while David Dornack narrated a power point presentation comparing 1997 to 2010. Do you remember The Spice Girls? Did you see *Titanic*? Today we email with our families, buy books online, and we can see the Metropolitan Opera in a local movie theatre.

Sharon Cousineau thanked the members of the 1997 Mission Study Task Force and reminded us of the statement we adopted then and how far we have come in making those dreams and goals a reality. We spoke the closing words of that study together:

“As Christians we believe we have been called by God to tell the good News of Jesus Christ. We accomplish our mission by serving others in love through our giving and the use of our personal gifts and talents.”

The participants then were invited to read the 37 dream sheets posted on bulletin boards and write more as ideas occurred to them. We then gathered back at the round tables to discuss two questions and to record the answers.

- What are the most important things the church has contributed to your life?
- What are the essential characteristics which make our church unique?

Thank you to additional facilitators Brian Emery, Ellen Ragan, and Jeremy Shibley.

At the close of the event, Peter Bilotta encouraged people to sign up for one or both of two more opportunities to listen and talk. The first opportunity is to join a Table Group to continue the discussion of these and other questions over a meal. The second is to volunteer to be a Neighborhood Ambassador: to attend a meeting of a neighborhood association, the Hollywood Boosters, the local senior center, or to visit a neighbor of the church as a representative of Rose City Park Presbyterian Church so that we can develop relationships in our community.

Sign up sheets are available in the church office or after worship. What is your dream for RCPPC? How will you help?

Mission Study Team: Elders: Peter Bilotta, Darla Lindsey, Doug Robertson; Deacons: Sharon Cousineau and Susan Price; Staff: Donovan Burkert-Kerr; Program Coordinator, David Dornack; Pastor.

## ALL-CHURCH BIRTHDAY BASH

Coming up January 9<sup>th</sup> following worship is a Birthday Bash in the fellowship hall to celebrate ALL birthdays. Mark your 2011 calendar for this new event and plan to attend. (This event replaces the monthly birthday celebrations of past years.)



# CALENDAR

## DECEMBER

### Wed. 1<sup>st</sup>

10 am Martha Service  
7 pm Worship & Arts Comm.

### Thurs. 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Sun. 5<sup>th</sup>

#### *Second Sunday of Advent*

9:30 am Chancel Choir  
10 am Worship  
10:20 am Church School  
11:20 am Adult Education  
12 pm Holiday Orchestra

### Mon. 6<sup>th</sup>

Annual Reports Due!

### Tues. 7<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Personnel Comm.

### Wed. 8<sup>th</sup>

1:30 – 3 pm Searchers ChristCare

### Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Fri. 10<sup>th</sup>

10 am – 12 pm Rose City Writers  
10 am RCPPC serves Loaves & Fishes (L&F)  
7:30 pm Bach Cantata Choir  
Christmas Oratorio

### Sun. 12<sup>th</sup>

#### *Third Sunday of Advent*

9:30 am Once-a-Month Choir  
10 am Worship  
10:20 am Church School  
11:15 am Program rehearsal  
(children/youth/orchestra/choir)

### Mon. 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Christ. Ed. Comm.

### Tues. 14<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Sarah Circle  
7 pm Build. & Grnds. Comm.

### Wed. 15<sup>th</sup>

1 – 2:30 pm Lectio Divina

### Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Sat. 18<sup>th</sup>

3:30 – 6 pm All Church Caroling

### Sun. 19<sup>th</sup>

#### *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

9:30 am Chancel Choir  
10 am Worship & Christmas Program  
11 am Youth Bake Sale  
No education hour

### Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup>

1:30 – 3 pm Searchers  
ChristCare

### Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Fri. 24<sup>th</sup>

#### *Christmas Eve*

2 pm Church Office Closes  
5 pm Early Eve Worship  
9 pm Communion Worship

### Sat. 25<sup>th</sup>

#### *Christmas Day*

### Sun. 26<sup>th</sup>

#### *Birthday Sunday*

10 am Worship  
11:10 am HS Youth Open  
House with current youth & alumni  
No Education hour

### Mon. 27<sup>th</sup>

Church Office Closed  
10 am RCPPC serves L&F

### Fri. 31<sup>st</sup>

#### *New Year's Eve*

10 am end of year giving due  
2 pm Church Office Closes

## JANUARY

### Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup>

10 am Epiphany, Communion  
Worship  
No education hour

### Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Church Office Closed

### Tues. 4<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Personnel Comm.

### Wed. 5<sup>th</sup>

10 am Martha Service  
7 pm Wors. & Arts Comm.

### Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup>

#### *Epiphany of the Lord*

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Sun. 9<sup>th</sup>

#### *All Church Birthday Bash*

9:30 am Once-a-Month Choir  
10 am Worship  
10:20 am Church School  
11 am Birthday Bash  
11:15 am Confirmation Class  
6 – 7:30 pm MS Game Night  
*The Broadcaster* deadline

### Mon. 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Christian Ed. Comm.

### Tues. 11<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Sarah Circle  
7 pm Build. & Grnds. Comm.

### Wed. 12<sup>th</sup>

1:30 – 3 pm Searchers ChristCare  
7 pm Nominating Comm.

### Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Fri. 14<sup>th</sup>

10 am -12 pm Rose City Writers  
10 am RCPPC serves L&F

### Sun. 16<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Chancel Choir  
10 am Worship  
10:20 am Church School  
11:20 am Adult Education  
12 pm Deacons

### Mon. 17<sup>th</sup>

#### *MLK Jr. Birthday Celebration*

Church Office Closed  
7 pm Prayer Shawls

### Tues. 18<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Session

### Wed. 19<sup>th</sup>

1 – 2:30 pm Lectio Divina

### Thurs. 20<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup>

9:30 am Chancel Choir  
10 am Worship  
10:20 am Church School  
11:15 am Confirmation Class  
11:20 am Adult Education  
5 – 8 pm MS/HS Meal Prep.

### Mon. 24<sup>th</sup>

10 am RCPPC serves L&F

### Wed. 26<sup>th</sup>

1:30 – 3 pm Searchers ChristCare  
4:30 pm Adult Ed. Comm.  
7 pm Mission Study Task Force

### Thurs. 27<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Sun. 30<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Chancel Choir  
10 am Worship  
10:20 am Church School  
11:15 am Confirmation Class  
11:20 am Adult Education



## ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS

I encourage everyone who appreciates the sounds of Advent music to come listen and lift your voice with others on Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. Church staff will share music of the season, both familiar and perhaps not so familiar. The location will be listed in the bulletin. No adult education will occur on December 12<sup>th</sup> as many will be earnestly preparing for the Christmas program in worship on December 19<sup>th</sup>, and there will be no adult education on December 26<sup>th</sup>.

If anyone has specific interest in scriptural passages or books of the Bible for study, please inform a member of the committee; members are Bev Dale, Bob McGranahan, Jeremy Shibley, and David Dornack. We are currently planning a three week Bible study beginning January 16<sup>th</sup>. Watch and listen for announcements about the focus of this learning opportunity. We want to involve many in our congregation. Thank you for your educational commitment.

Jeremy Shibley, Chair  
Adult Discipleship Committee

## SEARCHER'S CHRISTCARE

### December 8<sup>th</sup>

Read Chapter 3 of Adam Hamilton's *24 Hours That Changed the World*: "Condemned by the Righteous".

### December 22<sup>nd</sup>

Bring a Christmas treat to share. Christmas Card project during class. Bring a favorite Christmas memory, Christmas recipe, short story or poem to share.

### January 12<sup>th</sup>

Read Chapter 4: "Jesus, Barabbas, and Pilate". Talk about your New Year's Resolutions and Holiday Catch-Up. Bring a question for the group to think about and respond to. Or...bring a new discovery you had to research elsewhere.

### January 26<sup>th</sup>

Read Chapter 5: "The Torture and Humiliation of the King". Valentine card project during class.

## NEW IN THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Thanks to a donation by Alexander Wendeheart, we have a fine selection of Caldecott Medal and Honor books in the Children's Library. Check them out!

*Hide and Seek Fog* by Alvin Tresselt, *Harlem* by Walter Dean Myers, *Make Way for Ducklings* by Robert McCloskey, *Smokey Night* by Eve Bunting, *Lon Po Po* by Ed Young, *Tibet – Through the Red Box* by Peter Sis, *The Gardner* by Sarah Stewart, *Rain Makes Applesauce* by Julia Scheerer, and many others.

## LECTIO DIVINA

"The best of a book is not the thought which it contains, but the thought which it suggests; just as the charm of music dwells not in the tones, but in the echoes of our hearts." Oliver Wendell Holmes

Reading confirms our aliveness. And that is what a group ultimately does. You get validated in the human condition, the good stuff and the bad stuff. You are not alone out there. Lectio Divina meets the third Wednesday from 1-2:30 p.m. in the chapel. There is always room for one more. No training required, just a willingness to read.

Upcoming dates and books:

- ☞ December 15: *Winter's Bone* by Daniel Woodrell
- ☞ January 19: *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett



## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY (BUT NOT JUST SHAWLS)

"Shawls ... made for centuries universal and embracing, symbolic of an inclusive, unconditionally loving God. They wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, give solace, mother, hug, shelter and beautify."

Janet Bristow

Join us on the third Monday of the month to knit or crochet, to pray, to share our concern and our love with each other and, through the work of our hands, with others in need of comfort and warmth. Shawls, hats, scarves.... All come from our needles and hooks. Do you know someone in need of such a blessing? See Donovan.

No meeting in December. Next meeting: January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the church library.

## SARAH CIRCLE

*Revelation* takes us on a journey into the heart of God's own dream for our world. It is a journey of radical hope and transformation. No other book in the Bible has inspired so many songs of praise to God and to Jesus. Join us in this extraordinary journey as we read and discuss this amazing book.

Next meetings:

- ☞ December 14 – Lesson 3: "Worshipping God and the Lamb" Rev. 4-5
- ☞ January 11 – Lesson 4: "Diagnosing the Crises of Empire" Rev. 6
- ☞ February 8 – Lesson 5: "Singing the Hymns of Hope" Rev. 7-8:5

# YOUTH NEWS

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**Nursery/Preschool:** (Ages infant to age three) Preschool children are encouraged to stay in worship through the children's time and then be escorted to the lower level nursery. Loving care from volunteer church members is provided in an area safe and age appropriate for your young child.

**Primary:** (Age 4 - 1<sup>st</sup> grade) Children leave worship after Children's Time and move upstairs to the Primary classroom. A story will echo the week's lectionary lesson with an activity, music and time to play. Lesson ends at 11:15. Pick up your child in the Children's Library.

**Elementary:** (2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades) Children will leave worship after Children's Time and move upstairs to the Elementary classroom. Class ends about 11:30. Parents will pick up their children in the Children's Library.

### Themes of the Church School Lessons:

The Primary class follows the lectionary of the week and pulls a lesson from one of the appointed readings.

Through December, these readings are from the gospel of Matthew and focus on waiting for the Messiah. In January, the focus shifts to understanding Jesus as our teacher and as God's own special child.

During Advent, the Elementary class will anticipate the birth of Jesus using the biblical story in Luke. In January the focus moves to the parables and teachings of Jesus. This class is memorizing Bible verses.

Both classes have opportunities for music, dramatic play, art, and reflective exploration of books and other activities in their classroom.

## CHURCH SCHOOL

### CALENDAR

- + December 5 and 12 – Church school time includes musical rehearsal for the Christmas Program
- + December 12 – Rehearsal for the Christmas Program 11:15-noon.
- + December 19 – “Go Tell It on The Mountain” : Our intergenerational Christmas program as part of worship. **No Church School.**
- + December 24 – Early Eve Service with candle lighting at 5:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion Service at 9:00 p.m.
- + December 26 – **No Church School**...come to worship and then spend time with your families.
- + January 2 – **No Church School** Epiphany Sunday with communion
- + January 9 – Church School resumes for all ages.

### YOUTH CALENDAR

- + December 5<sup>th</sup> – High School Youth teach Sunday school
- + December 12<sup>th</sup> – MS & HS Christmas Program Rehearsal
- + December 18<sup>th</sup> – Christmas caroling 3:30 – 6 p.m.
- + December 19<sup>th</sup> – MS & HS Christmas Program, during worship – Bake sale
- + December 26<sup>th</sup> – HS and recent alumni brunch, 11:10 a.m.– 12:00 p.m. – MS no class
- + January 2<sup>nd</sup> – no class
- + January 9<sup>th</sup> – Middle School game night, 6 – 7:30 p.m.
- + January 23<sup>rd</sup> – MS & HS prepare a meal, 5 – 8 p.m.



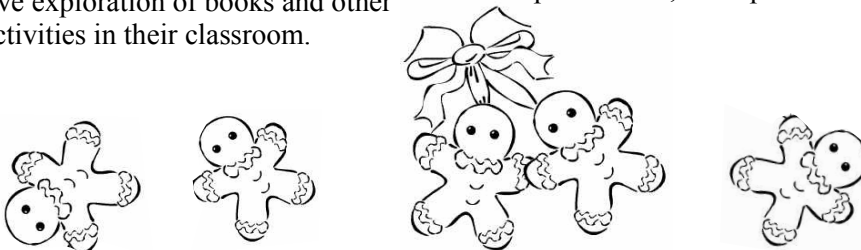
## TAKE ACTION: WAYS TO AID THE PEOPLE OF UGANDA

The Social Action Committee promised you a list of actions you can take to help *The Invisible Children* of Uganda. Here they are:

- 1st: Educate yourself about this longest running war in Africa and in the world. Go to: [www.invisiblechildren.com](http://www.invisiblechildren.com) and read about the heinous Joseph Kony and his 22-year rebel war using child soldiers.
- 2nd: Make a donation by buying a bracelet which will support the Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLA), small micro lending banks which allow folks in Uganda to pull themselves up by their own bootstraps.
- 3rd: Make a donation to help a student or a mentor. You can donate as little as \$5.00 on line or you can mail a check.

This is the first in a series of articles about specific things you can do with some of your time or a very few dollars to make enormous impacts around the world. These will be in addition to the things we have been doing for years, such as the Peacemaking, Christmas Joy and One Great Hour of Sharing offerings, and writing letters to Senators and Representatives in cooperation with organizations like Bread for the World.

Doug Robertson, Chair  
Social Action Committee



## THE DEACONS' CORNER

Thank you to all who have baked and purchased cookies for our coffee fellowship time after worship and to those who have served as hosts. Coffee fellowship is one of the responsibilities of the Deacons.

We are in need of cookies through the upcoming holiday season. On one of these cold and wet days, please consider warming up the oven and baking some cookies for coffee hour. You will enjoy the delicious aroma throughout your home. Your help is much appreciated.



## ANNUAL REPORTS DUE DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

The Deadline for submissions for the Annual Report is Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Committee chairs, group leaders, officers and staff are asked to have their narrative reports to the office no later than the end of the day, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Only final financial data for the Stewardship Committee's, Treasurer's and Board of Deacons' reports, may be submitted as late as January 18<sup>th</sup>. No late submissions, please.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- February 6  
Souper Bowl of Caring
- February 13  
Annual congregation / Corporation meeting
- March 9  
Ash Wednesday

## PLEDGING AND YEAR-END GIVING

**Stewardship Commitment** – If you have not yet made your 2011 pledge to the church, the Stewardship Committee asks that you submit it as soon as possible. Be sure to share your dream for the church as well. Pledge cards and dream sheets are available on the literature rack.

**2011 Offering Envelopes** – Boxes of offering envelopes for 2011 will be available in the parlor beginning January 3<sup>rd</sup> for all who have submitted a Stewardship Commitment card. Be sure to take only the box with your name on it. If you do not plan to pledge this year, but would like to receive offering envelopes, contact Romalia in the church office (503-282-0965 or [romalia@rosecityparkpres.org](mailto:romalia@rosecityparkpres.org)), and a box will be prepared for you.

**2010 Year-End Gifts** – As we enter the busyness of the holiday season, it is time to remind everyone that any giving to the church for 2010 should be in the church office before 10 a.m. on Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup>. This will give the office manager time to count, deposit and properly credit your offerings. For those of you who prefer to prepay a portion of your 2011 pledge, please clearly mark the check "pre-paid for 2011" and have it in the church office by the December 31<sup>st</sup> giving deadline. The 2011 Per Capita Apportionment is \$22.90 each. Information is included in your envelope box.

## OFFICE CLOSURES, STAFF VACATIONS AND INCLEMENT WEATHER PLAN

The church office will observe the following holiday closures:

- December 27 (for Christmas Day)
- January 3 (for New Year's Day)
- January 17 (for Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. birthday)
- In addition, the office will close at 2 p.m. December 24<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>.

The following staff will be away on vacation during December and January:

- Pastor David Dornack, December 26-30
- Office Manager Romalia Stickney-Shibley, December 28, 29 and January 18
- Receptionist Michelle Veazie, January 24-28

Snow levels are falling in the mountains and winter seemed to come upon us in late November. Please do not risk an accident in icy or snowy conditions to attend a church event or worship service. Church staff will use the following guidelines –

**Weekdays:** If Portland Public Schools are closed for ice or snow, the church office will be closed.

**Sundays and weekend events:** If local area churches are closed for wintry weather, then Rose City Park Presbyterian will likely be closed. We will post closure information on local media websites: KGW.com, KATU.com, KOIN.com. We will also post closure information on the church website.

—The Church Staff



### NEXT BROADCASTER DEADLINE: SUNDAY, JAN. 9.

Brief articles may be submitted in person, via e-mail to [romalia@rosecityparkpres.org](mailto:romalia@rosecityparkpres.org), or by mail and must be in the church office by the end of the day Sunday, January 9.

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**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

WORSHIP at 10:00 AM

CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

9:30 am nursery Birth—3 years  
10:20 am Grades Pre—5th  
11:10 am MS & HS Youth  
11:20 am Adult

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- Sarah S. Shay, Organist and Bell Choir Dir.
- Romalia Stickney-Shibley,  
Office Manager
- Michelle Veazie, Receptionist
- Roberto Del Rio, Custodian
- Gerry Mohr, Sexton

## CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

A Presbyterian tradition for almost 70 years, the Christmas Joy Offering is one of the four special offerings designated by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to provide congregations direct ways of supporting specific causes that help those in need.

Fifty percent of the receipts to the Christmas Joy Offering are distributed to the Board of Pensions for assistance programs that provide support to retired and active church workers and their spouses and families. The other fifty percent supports Presbyterian-related racial ethnic education through the General Assembly Council. The last Sunday of November and the first three Sundays in December you will hear from Social Action Committee members Diane Hanken, Becky Duncan and Doug Robertson as they share stories of individuals who have been helped by previous contributions from this marvelous tradition. If you would like to present the fourth story on December 19<sup>th</sup> please call Doug Robertson at 503-235-9101 or email at [dougrob43@comcast.net](mailto:dougrob43@comcast.net).



We will receive and dedicate our 2010 Christmas Joy Offering on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> during worship. Please use the envelope provided in this *Broadcaster* or found in the pew racks for your contribution.