

Events This Week

TUE

6:30 AM  
Pancake Prayer  
Breakfast

WED

6:15 pm  
Handbells

6:30 pm  
AWANA

7:00  
Grace Choir

Mission Focus -  
Hamadera Bible Institute-Sakai, Osaka,  
Japan

Shuji, Mayumi, Takashi, Aimee, and Keishi serve the Lord through the ministries of Hamadera Bible Church and Hamadera Bible Institute (HBI). **PRAY** for the men studying at HBI. **PRAY** for God’s wisdom and blessing for this next generation of Bible teachers.

**PRAY** for a series of ten evangelistic meetings planned at Hamadera Bible Church during the advent season. **PRAY** that many will attend and that the Holy Spirit will work in hearts to know the Creator God. **PRAY** that someone will come to repentance and know the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior.

**PRAY** as our GBC team prepares for JoyJoy-3days Bible school at Christ Church –Okinawa in April.

**PRAY** for Takashi as he graduated from Masters Seminary in May and now serves on staff at HBC. **PRAY** for Aimee as she works in the hospitality industry and for Keishi working as a personal trainer. **PRAY** for Mayumi as she teaches and translates for the deaf. **PRAY** her mother would trust Christ as Savior. The prayer and financial support of the GBC family is a great encouragement to the Kondo family. They appreciated receiving the Christmas cards and Missionary Christmas offering.

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GRACE  
BIBLE CHURCH

Sunday, December 8, 2019  
Second Sunday of Advent

*The saying is trustworthy and  
deserving of full acceptance,  
that Christ Jesus came into the  
world to save sinners.  
I Timothy 1:15*

Calling with Praise in His Presence

Welcome

Preparation for Worship

*What Child is This*

Call to Worship: Advent Candle - **HOPE**

Invocation

Songs of Worship     *O Come, O Come Emmanuel  
Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus  
Sing We the Song of Emmanuel*

Monica Kinde

Confession of our Sin and the Faith

Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Consecration by the Word of the Lord

Scripture Readings     *Isaiah 1:4-6*     Chad Peckham, elder  
   *Mark 2:13-17*  
   *Psalm 103:1-6*

Offertory     Grace Choir  
*He Shall Feed His Flock Like a Shepherd*     J. Beck

Sermon     Pastor Todd Kinde  
*Mark 2:17*  
*I Came to Call the Sin-Sick*

Commune with Humility and Gratitude

Songs of Response     *Change My Heart of God  
O To Be Like Thee*

Commission to Love & Serve the Savior

Song of Dismissal     *Now Unto Him Who Is Able*  
Words of Dismissal

## EVENTS TODAY

8:30 am

Morning Prayer  
(Resource Room)

9:00 am

Adult Bible Fellowship Classes

Children's Sunday School Classes

Ages 2 & 3

Age 4 - 2nd Grade

Grades 3rd - 6th

Grades 7th-12th

10:15 - 11:30 am

Morning Worship Service

5:30 pm

*A Grace Family Christmas*

NURSERY

TODAY

N Kinde

G Nagelkirk

J Dalman

S Hudson

Next Week

A O'Neill

J Ohman

K Eklund

A VanderMale

**Advent Resources and daily Bible readings for you and your family are available on the book table in the foyer.**

**We encourage you to be intentional in your homes and families during this season of preparation.**

### **Yesterdays Youth Auction**

**This Friday, 7:00 PM**

Items from the Bibles for Missions store will be auctioned off with proceeds going back to the store. Donations of items for the auction will be accepted. The money will be used to purchase solar powered Bibles, that are given to missionaries for distribution.

**Sign up TODAY.**

Would you consider sending a word of encouragement to our college students as they prepare to take their exams and end their semester? A note with a little treat or coffee card would brighten their day and remind them that we are praying for them.

Names and addresses are available on the bulletin board next to the chapel.

### **Garments of Praise Needs:**

Sweat pants/sports pants needed:

Women's Sizes: S, M, L, XL

Men's Sizes: L, XL

Kid's Sizes: S, M, L, XL

Men's socks, Women's - dress socks

Kid's Socks - all sizes!

## **Worship Wonders** *The Season of Advent*

Advent is the season of four weeks preparing for Christmas and marks the beginning of the Church calendar which follows the life and ministry of Christ. The word Advent means "coming" and refers to the coming of Christ as anticipated by the prophets of the Old Testament. "Coming" also refers to the truth that Christ has come and Christ will come.

Advent is a time of preparation and anticipation to ready our homes and our hearts for the great festival. The meaning and joy of Christmas cannot be hurriedly grasped. The beauty of Advent is that it gives us the time we need to prepare ourselves and our family to grow into the joy of Christmas.

Advent is a time for new planning, new attitudes and new inspiration for Christian families. It is a time when families - and the Church - can draw closer together in their anticipation and celebration of God's gift to the world - His Son, the Christ. One Advent tradition is the lighting of the Advent wreath. The Advent wreath is round, with no beginning and no ending, testifying to the eternity of God and of His infinite love for mankind. The Advent wreath is made of evergreen recalling that our faith, our hope, our peace, and our love are always alive when they spring from God and His Son. The Advent candles represent the One who said, "I am the Light of the world." The candles we light on the Advent wreath are purple reminding us of Christ's royal lineage and of His suffering on the cross that He was born to endure.

Each week of Advent we light a new candle reminding us of the Hope of the prophets, the Peace Christ made for us with God, the Joy of the Angel's Message, and the Love of God in sending His Son. The center candle, the Christ candle, reminds us of the Eternal Son of God, Jesus our Lord who came as the light of the world.

### **MONTHLY GIVING REPORT**

	Monthly Budget	Month to Date Giving
General Fund	\$35,250	\$8,152
Mission Fund	\$11,875	\$3,692