bethany community church 12.17.17 inviting people to God, to community, and to wholeness

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Ballard Homestead Sundays: 10am **gethany Ballard**

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UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES AT BETHANY NORTHEAST

THE GIVING TREE

Choose a Hunger Intervention Program (HIP) tag to donate a food item by Decemeber 24 to LCPC.

LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE

December 21, 7pm, Bethany Green Lake Join us for a service dedicated to lamenting the harder aspects of this season on the darkest day of the year.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

December 24, 4pm, Bethany Northeast Join us for our candlelight service, cookies & cider (children will join us for worship). There will no morning service.

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE

December 31, 9:30am, Bethany NE Let's celebrate the last day of the year with worship and after-service brunch! Bring a side dish according to last name (A-K = protein; L-R = bread or pastry; S-Z = fruit/other).

ELECTRONIC GIVING STATEMENTS

leight@churchbcc.org To receive your giving statement electronically, log in to your myBethany account and select the electronic statement opt-in button, or contact the Finance Office by January 10.

YOUTH PARENT MEETING

January 4, 7pm, Bethany Northeast beccas@churchbcc.org Parents of 6th–12th graders, you are invited to share your input, pray with us, and hear about the future of youth programming at Bethany Northeast!

STEPHEN MINISTER INFORMATION DESSERT

January 16, 7pm, Bethany Green Lake donr@churchbcc.org If you have a compassionate heart and a listening ear, this vital ministry of one-on-one care may be for you! Learn more by attending this information dessert or contacting Bethany Green Lake Pastor of Care, Don Riggs.

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT

Save-the-date for March 9–11, 2018! 6th–12th graders! Join us for Bethany Northeast's first-ever Winter retreat! Games? Food? Jesus? Yes, yes, and YES! More details and registration to come in mid-January.

VBS SAVE-THE-DATE

July 30–August 2, 2018, Bethany Northeast Save the date for VBS 2018! We will host our second annual Vacation Bible School from July 30-August 2, 2018. More info to come in the spring.

Hope Breaks Through with the Promise of Presence Romans 8:28, 35–39; Isaiah 44:24–28; John 1:1–5

Pastor Jenny Gebhart, jennyg@churchbcc.org

Paul asserts that absolutely nothing can separate us from the love of God, and yet most of us don't always feel that to be true. We experience God as distant – far off. God's literal birth as a human being into our world reveals the truth of Romans 8, and shows us what it means to be convinced of this hope that God is WITH us in all things.

There are three key characteristics of God's presence we find in Romans 8:

I. Intimate (Romans 8:35; Luke 1:29-35)

II. Constant (Romans 8:36-39; John 1:1-5)

III. Powerful (Romans 8:28; Matthew 1:18-25; Isaiah 44:24-28)