

AVUCC KALOS

Newsletter for the
Almaden Valley
United Church of Christ

Pastor Kevin's Corner:

Virgin Birth

One of the truly wondrous stories in our Christian Scriptures (although virgin birth stories are not exclusive to Christianity alone) is the story of the Immaculate Conception and virgin birth. During this time of year we sing about it, read about it, ponder it, and being human beings, debate it! I will leave the debatable aspects for another time and space but I want to suggest to you a way of looking at the virgin birth that might give the story additional meaning for you.

*Of what use, Gabriel, your message to Marie,
Unless you now can bring the same message to me!
--Angelus Silesius (1624-1677)*

*It is of more worth to God, his being brought forth spiritually in the individual virgin or good soul, than that he was born of Mary bodily. But this involves the notion of our being the only Son whom the Father has eternally begotten. When the Father begat all creatures he was begetting me; I flowed out with all creatures while remaining within the Father.
--Meister Eckhart (1260-1327?)*

Life constantly needs renewal, or rebirthing. For life to thrive, not just exist or survive, refreshment is essential otherwise it, and we, can become spiritually, intellectually, or emotionally stale. We can dry out like the uncared for poinsettia. Our gospel writers (the virgin birth story is only found in the early chapters of Matthew and Luke) understood this aspect of our relation-

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ship with God and with each other and therefore included the oral story of the virgin birth in the gospels. Both Angelus Silesius and Meister Eckhart (see quotes above) expounded on this idea of being born anew within union with God and commented on it in their sermons.

My prayer for you and for our congregation, and indeed for our community and country, is that our spirits can be refreshed in this holy season and we can sense growing within us a virgin birth that reenergizes our hope and reignites the flame of love and compassion toward our neighbors near and far and an openness to relating to each other and to all creatures in a new way. Let that way be the way of peace on earth that Jesus teaches us. Amen.

Pastor Kevin



Moderator's Notes

Dear ones,

As the year comes to a close, so does my term as moderator. It has been an eventful year, a year full of moments of grace and a year full of trying times. I have been honored to be entrusted with a leadership position this year and to have worked with such a wonderful council which tried at all times to do the business of the church with integrity and honesty. At our November annual meeting the congregation elected a new council under new leadership. This council will have much work to do just as the 2008 council has had. In electing these people, we have entrusted them to do the business of the church on our behalf. We have granted each of them certain responsibilities and the authority necessary to fulfill their responsibilities.

Having been a leader in the church during intense times, I have a few requests. If you have ideas, concerns, or constructive critique, please share your thoughts with council members. If you have questions or hear rumors about council and its actions, please contact a councilmember. If you have criticism with no intention of having free and open two-way discussion about your concerns or putting in time and talent to help allay your concerns, please keep your criticism to yourself. I know this sounds harsh, but all I am asking is that we all be prepared to listen fully as much or even more than we talk. I am asking that we convey our opinions, especially dissenting ones, in a positive way rather than a negative way.

Thank you again for all the supportive comments and letters, both when our opinions were in agreement and when they were not. I appreciate all the conversations I have had this year in which you granted me the opportunity to listen to you and get to know you better.

Grace and peace,
Melanie Click
AVUCC Moderator

People in the Pews

Bits and Pieces: Congratulations to Carol Martin on the birth of her first great grandchild. The family lives in Ohio, and Carol flew back to check out this new addition to the family.

Prayers for the Vose family as Muriel Vose Kibbey passed away in mid October. Muriel and her family were active in AVUCC for many years. Her sons Mark and Chris were a big part of the youth group during their high school time. Muriel was living in Roseville, so Mark was able to keep a good watch on his mom. Notes and cards would be appreciated. Mark's address is:

2124 Belvedere Circle
Roseville, CA 95678-3422

Always great to welcome back former members who have been away. Joanne and George Stone worshipped with us recently. Joanne was in charge of meeting and greeting visitors when she was part of our church community. She did such a good job of welcoming. George and Ed Grossmith just returned from one of their photo journeys. Hope they will share with the rest of us soon.

More familiar faces — Carole and Walt Kilmanas joined us for worship on Nov 9. They looked right at home sitting in their favorite pew. We miss you both!

Nice to have Nancy Palmer Jones join in worship with all of us as she and Pastor Kevin celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary on November 9.

Welcoming New Members: Joe Machedo has been an active part of our church family for several years with his wife Gwen and youngest daughter Susana.

Margie Juanitas is a fairly recent participant in our church worship. She and her two children Justin and Victoria attend regularly and we welcome them to our AVUCC family.

Lori Yang, who was introduced to our church by Joan Curtice, who is her neighbor, now wants to become an active member of AVUCC. Lori has two children, Samantha, who is in high school, and Brandon, who is three years old.

Linda Farr has attended AVUCC for several years and has not made the decision to join. Linda was a school teacher for many years in our valley. She is also the one who prepares the birthday cards that you receive from our church. She is involved with the Shelter Feeding Group that prepares meals once a month and with the JV Book Group.

New faces among us — have you met them yet? Remember how you felt when you first attended AVUCC. Did someone come up to greet you on that first or second Sunday? How did you feel when you realized that old timers had noticed you and cared enough to take time to introduce themselves to you?

Please look around and find someone that you haven't had the pleasure of meeting yet and welcome him or her to our worship service. We realize that it is always easier to visit with those we know already and want to catch up with, but we may miss out on knowing one of our newer visitors unless we make the effort to greet them on Sunday morning.

We say that we are a "Welcoming Church," so let's be just that and welcome all who come to our worship time

Travelers Among Us: Stan Yumen had a great cruise in the Mediterranean area (claims to have gained a pound or two though).

Harrises and Crowleys traveled together to Vietnam, and we hope they will share their adventures with us.

Kathy Kisabeth is traveling to Australia, New Zealand, and Tasmania.

John and Diane Hawes returned from Maui and then made a quick turn around and headed down to Costa Rica.

Grateful that so many of us are able to visit other parts of the world and come back tired, but excited about the sights that they have seen.

Coffee Hour Organizer Needed! Thank you to Carol and Dave Pullen for their dedicated service to the church. Carol has been arranging for greeters and coffee hosts for more years than we can remember.

She has asked to be replaced, so now is the chance for someone who is reading this column to consider seriously stepping up and taking on this role. We all enjoy our coffee hour, and unless someone is willing to take over, we won't have coffee and snacks to look forward to or cookies for our kids.

Folks Needing Our Prayers: Bill Allfrey, son of Dot and Bill, is recovering slowly from shoulder surgery. He will be in a brace for at least six weeks and then will have about four months of recuperation before he can go back to his carpet cleaning business. His middle son, David, can do the carpet part, and Bill is getting adept at using his left arm for windows. We ask your prayers for a good recovery.

One of our new members, Margie Juanitas, needs prayers as she tries to discern her future. She has been laid off from her job and now is hoping to start nurse's training — however, the cost of tuition is a cause of concern. We pray for a good solution and direction for her future career.

Debbie Bemis will have had her surgery for a cancerous growth by the time you receive this newsletter. We hope that the cancer is contained and that radiation will be the only necessary treatment.

Something to Think About:

Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. Colossians 4:5-6

Choose to be happy. Choose to keep a good attitude. Remember, happiness is a choice you have to make. And even when you don't understand it, know that God is at work in you and He's working through you. Make up your mind that from today forward, you are going to bloom where you are planted and enjoy every single day of your life. — Joel Olsteen

Submitted by
Dot Allfrey



Christian Education

Our Christian education program is moving along smoothly for the most part. There are still some kinks to be worked out, but the teachers and I are working on them. The junior and senior high classes will soon begin field trips to worship with a variety of bodies of faith. The first trip is a visit to Shir Hadash, a Reform Jewish temple, for a Friday evening Shabbat service. We will meet with the rabbi and attend the service. This will take place on Friday, December 5. We are to arrive at Shir Hadash at 5:45. Also in the works are visits to a mosque, a Catholic church, a Unitarian Universalist church, and several more. There will be discussions in Sunday School and in the Youth Groups about their experiences on these trips, and we are working on an adult education class that will tie in as well.

The search for a new Christian Education and Youth Director is has been temporarily suspended while our churches complete stewardship campaigns. When we have more information about our finances, we will resume the search.

Blessings,
Melanie Click

JV Interim Christian Education Director

Monthly Financial Report

Pledged, Cash Income & Misc. for this month:	\$ 12,437
Total Expenses for this month:	<u>12,524</u>
Deficit for the month of October:	\$ - 87

Our Year to Date (YTD) Report:

Pledged and Cash Income as of October 31 st	\$ 148,130
Total Expenses for 2008:	<u>153,120</u>
Our total deficit for the year:	\$ - 4,990

Cash Balances as of October 31st:

Citibank - Checking	\$ 10,375
Citibank – Money Market	49,488
Corp America CU	<u>64,600</u>
Total Cash Balances:	\$ 124,463

Since we were short in our Discernment Fund, we tapped into our Long Term fund for \$5,000 to assist us in meeting our monthly obligation. With this addition and with us meeting our monthly pledges for the remaining months in 2008, we should be meeting our minimum budget.

A detail financial report for October is posted on the Bulletin Board.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stan Yumen

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast: December 6th, 2008 at 8:00 AM in Fellowship hall. The program will start about 8:30 AM. Women are welcome to attend the program.

The featured speaker is: **Rosemary Kamei**

Rosemary Kamei was appointed to the Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors in 1993 following the resignation of Joe Pandit. In 1994 she was formally elected to the board to represent District 1 and her current term expires January 2011.

The first woman elected to the board, she is currently the chairperson and was the chairperson in 2002 and in 1995 and represented the district during a period of emergency with two flood disasters.

Water industry leadership: Rosemary currently serves as district representative on both the Environmental Advisory Committee and the Uvas/Llagas Flood Control and Watershed Advisory Committee.

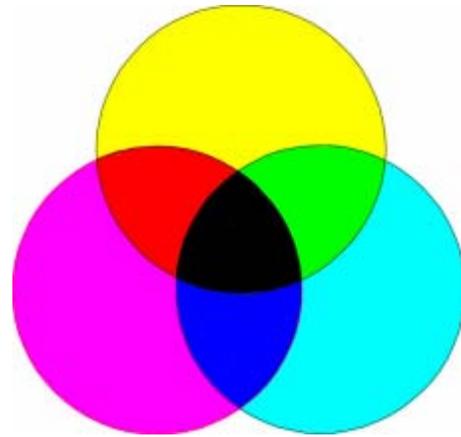
She has extensive experience in dealing with critical water resource policy issues, including::

- water quality
- MTBE contamination and perchlorate issues
- underground storage tank challenges
- non-point source pollution prevention
- flood management, awareness and preparation issues
- environmental protection with watershed and stream management, and
- water use efficiency - conservation and water reuse

She is involved in various other committees and organizations and, as a former business woman, was general manager for Kamei Nursery, Inc.

Rosemary holds a master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from San Jose State University and a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

Bob Green



Connection Circles: A Group with a Purpose

Imagine yourself in an intimate group of fellow Christians who gather regularly to share questions and insight on a particular topic. In this place, you have the luxury of the time and space for your views and questions to be deeply heard. You have the opportunity to really explore with another not just what they think, but what is behind the belief. Between members of your group, after meeting together over time, a safe environment begins to emerge. Here it is okay to share profound questions. It is okay that there may not be answers. This isn't "coffee hour" talk.

In a Connection Circle you'll be discussing the same topic with the same structure as other Connection Circles within AVUCC. So even though you may not be in the same group as your buddy, you'll be able to share common insights. The connection to AVUCC allows for the shared energy in your circle to radiate out through the broader community and inspire action.

As your relationship to your fellows in the Connection Circle deepens, it's likely that opportunities will arise for members of the group to minister to one another in meaningful ways. All members of the circle are valued for their gifts and supported in their times of need.

And every group has a special guest member. After all, we remain a United Church of *Christ*. The example and teaching of Jesus is ever present in our discussions and focus. As we draw closer to living into Christ's example, we draw closer to one another in the circle, in AVUCC, and in our broader community. We may find the time we have taken to get "small" has enlarged us beyond our expectation.

Connection Circles at AVUCC has such a broad potential that it becomes difficult to describe. Ultimately how these groups evolve and expand within our community is going to depend on you. Your participation, your energy, your spirit is what's going to give these groups their direction and value. These groups have the potential to be the little Petri dishes where we grow the "starters" for the future of our mutual ministry. Let's start these small, protected cultures of Christ's loving example, and see what grows.

The Particulars:

Connecting Circles are:

- Open to members, friends and guests of AVUCC, high school age and up,
- Limited to 8 people per group,
- Held monthly with a six meeting commitment,
- Facilitated by a group member
- Scheduled and located for the convenience of the group.
- Possible discussion topics in the first months:
 - Faith
 - Christianity—what is hard or easy about it for me
 - What can church do for me, my family, my community
 - Movies/Books that have been meaningful to me
 - What do I believe about God or about Jesus?
 - How do I know what to believe?
 - Moments of Grace
 - Why UCC as a denomination
 - How my faith has changed
 - My anchor in times of crisis

Kelly Yamanishi

December Reflections

Thinking about Hope...

During December many northern Hispanics celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12. The story is a simple one: Juan Diego was walking along a hilltop and saw a vision of a young girl. She asked that a shrine be built in her honor there. When, Juan Diego presented her request to the local bishop, the bishop asked for a miraculous sign. Juan Diego went back to the hilltop at the request of the Virgin and found roses blooming there in the middle of winter. He gathered them and brought them to the bishop. The weight of the roses formed an image of the Virgin in his cloak. This story has always struck me as a strange one: the bishop asks for a sign and receives roses in wintertime, when no rose should be blooming. And yet, the story speaks to me of hope.

Roses usually bloom in the fullness of summer, when the air is soft and languorous. Their scent thrives on warm breezes. It reminds me that the work done in the deep mid-winter to trim the canes and clear away the fallen leaves has paid dividends in riotous blooms and extravagant colors. My hard work pays off months later, and hope, like the roses' wafting scent, floats on the breeze.

Like Juan Diego's roses, there are other signs of hope.

We just had a historic election: the elevation of the first African-American to the highest office in government. And his election was based on hope – hope of change, hope for a better life than what we are living now. Hope is in the air.

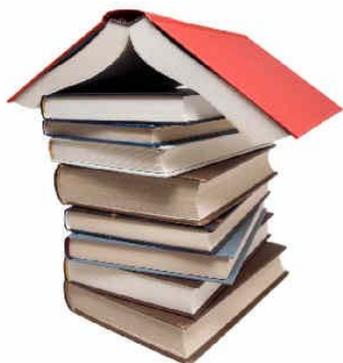
This is also the beginning of the liturgical year, which begins with Advent – a season of anticipation and hope as we look forward to the Incarnation of the Christ as a human baby. Hope is in the air.

In the fullness of time, the work we do now will be honored by God. Sometimes the road is rough and it seems difficult to discern what lies ahead. There are

many obstacles and barriers to progress. Sometimes it even appears that we are losing our way and need to go back to familiar ground. Yet God is with us every step of the way. The hard work we do in our various lives to build up the kingdom and God's people will have its own reward. God is present among us. And, like roses in winter, our lives will continue to bloom as God is made manifest in our lives.

Kim Axtell

JV Book Group



If anyone wants a book to read during December, I suggest you try the *Silicon Valley Reads* choice for 2009, Not a Genuine Black Man by Brian Copeland. I just requested it at the library, and I'm # 2 of two holds on 90 books, so I should get it soon. I've checked the website, and no schedule of activities is posted yet, but Brian Copeland is very entertaining to hear.

Linda Farr

Memo from the JV church office:

There is a rack of jackets & coats and a box with other **lost & found items** located just outside the Christian Ed/Music office. Any one who thinks they might have lost an item at church over the last two years, please look through the clothes rack and box of items. I will be donating unclaimed items to Santa

Maria Urban Mission or the Salvation Army by January 12, 2009.

With few exceptions, the church is open Monday through Friday from 9 am to noon, then from 1 pm to 5 pm, except on holidays. I walk or ride my bike to work about half the time, so just because there is no car in the parking lot, it doesn't mean there isn't somebody here. Also if you phone the office and no one answers, please leave a message.

Letter from Bill Duerksen

To: Melanie Click, Sitting Moderator
Kevin Smith, Pastor
Chuck Smith, Moderator, 2008-2009
AVUCC Council members

From: Bill Duerksen

November 19, 2008

This letter is to inform you of my immediate resignation from the Almaden Valley United Church of Christ Council. While serving as a council member, I have held to my core beliefs. I learned these as a young child and they have guided me throughout my life. When I joined AVUCC 32 years ago, the church and its members shared the same beliefs.

At this point I no longer feel that the church, its council, and many of its members adhere to the teachings of Jesus. I am unable to serve as an effective council member, and I am resigning.

Respectfully,
Bill Duerksen

December Birthdays

Ruth Breseke	12/4
Leanne Dando	12/5
Annie Laurie Hall	12/6
Susan Hamilton	12/6
Eric Gaydon	12/8
Gloria Dunlap	12/13
Danielle Hall	12/15
Rachel Hall	12/15
Claire Henderson	12/15
Kevin Smith	12/15
David Sanders	12/16
Kathy Graham	12/17

December Anniversaries

Dennis & Lynn Widman	12/9
Dave & Rae Harris	12/10
Jeff & Sue Hamilton	12/15
Terry & Betsy Shoup	12/18
Jim & Athena Ballek	12/23
Ed & Gwen Anderson	12/27
Bob & Ariss Thomas	12/31

December Worship

Dec. 21—JOINT JV SERVICE AT 10 AM! Instant Christmas Pageant Sunday

<u>Sermon/Children's Time</u>	<u>Rev. Kevin Smith</u>
Dec. 7	Rev. Kevin Smith
Dec. 14	Rev. Kevin Smith/TBD
Dec. 21	JV Service, Christmas Pageant
Dec. 24 5pm	JV Service
Dec. 24 7pm	Lessons & Carols
Dec. 28	Rev. Kevin Smith

Lay Readers/Advent Family Sandy Baldwin 227-3507

Dec. 7	Chuck Smith/Judy Martin & Dennis Elliott
Dec. 14	Kristie Bemis/Chuck Smith's Family
Dec. 21	TBD
Dec. 24 5pm	TBD
Dec. 24 7pm	TBD
Dec. 28	TBD

Ushers Dot Allfrey 268-2973

Dec. 7	John, Jacob, and Bonnie Graham
Dec. 14-28	Bill & Dot Allfrey

Greeter/Coffee Hosts Carol Pullen 842-3653

Dec. 7-21	Dave & Carol Pullen
Dec. 28	Carolyn Dingman

Communion Kathy Kisabeth 227-3898

Dec. 7	Kelly & Greg Yamanishi
Dec. 21	Chuck Smith

Breakout Tami Nieders 268-7681

Dec. 14	Kathleen Quint
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Bread Making Carolyn Dingman 997-7891

Dec. 28	Melanie Click
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Flowers Sign up in Fellowship Hall

Dec. 7	Joan Wagner
Dec. 14	Betsy Shoup
Dec. 21-28	JV Poinsettias

Caring TBD

Dec.-Jan.	TBD
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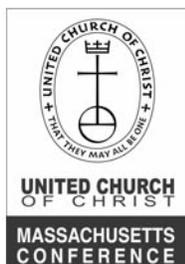
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	Advent First Sunday of Advent 7:45 AM ECA Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM AVUCC Breadmaking 11:00 AM ECA Holy Eucharist 6:00 PM SHYG Meeting	1 7:00 PM JV Duplicate Bridge 7:30 PM Boy Scout Troop #294 meeting	2 7:00 PM Christian Ed & Youth Committee Meeting	3 8:00 AM ECA Wednesday Walk 9:30 AM Quest Meeting #849 meeting 6:30 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:30 PM Shalom Choir rehearsal	4 8:00 AM ECA Men's Breakfast 10:30 AM Thursday Morning Bible Study 7:30 PM ECA Choir Rehearsal	5 7:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 282, Pack 7 Meeting	6 8:00 AM AVUCC Men's Breakfast 6:00 PM AVUCC Annual Christmas Dinner
7	Alternative Christmas 7:30 AM ECA Holy Eucharist 9:00 AM AVUCC Worship 10:10 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM JV Children's choir rehearsal 11:00 AM ECA Holy Eucharist	8 9:00 AM Assistance League of San Jose Board meeting 9:00 AM Unicorn Thrift Shop Luncheon 3:30 PM Brownie Troop 61222 7:30 PM Boy Scout Troop #294 meeting	9 7:00 PM AVUCC Council Meeting 7:00 PM ECA Vestry Meeting	10 8:00 AM ECA Wednesday Walk 9:30 AM Quest Meeting 1:30 PM JV Staff meeting 6:30 PM AVUCC Folk Choir rehearsal 7:30 PM Shalom Choir rehearsal	11 8:00 AM ECA Men's Breakfast 7:30 PM ECA Choir Rehearsal	12	13 ECA Annual Christmas Party
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-Daily Lectionary- December 2008

These lectionary readings are from A Daily Lectionary-Scripture readings for Every Day based on the New Common Lectionary. Please share this resource with members of your church.

**The readings listed for Sundays are from the UCC Desk Calendar and are not part of the daily lectionary cycle.*

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Old Testament</u>	<u>New Testament</u>	<u>Epistle</u>
Mon	Dec 1	Hos 4:1-10	Luke 21:20-28	2 Pet 1:1-11
Tues	Dec 2	Hos 4:11-16	Luke 21:29-36	2 Pet 1:12-21
Wed	Dec 3	Hos 5:1-14	Matt 3:1-10	2 Pet 3:1-10
Thurs	Dec 4	Hos 5:15-6:10	Matt 3:11-17	2 Pet 3:11-18
Fri	Dec 5	Hos 6:11-7:7	Matt 11:2-10	Rev 2:2-7
Sat	Dec 6	Hos 8:1-10	Matt 11:11-19	Acts 17:24-31
*Sun	Dec 7	Isa 40:1-11	Mark 1:1-8	2 Pet 3:8-15a
Mon	Dec 8	Hos 8:11-14	Matt 20:20-28	1 Pet 1:13-25
Tues	Dec 9	Hos 10:1-12	Matt 17:9-13	Acts 19:1-7
Wed	Dec 10	Hos 11:1-7	Matt 23:1-12	Acts 13:16-25
Thurs	Dec 11	Hos 11:8-12	Matt 23:13-22	Phil 4: 4-7
Fri	Dec 12	Hos 12:2-9	Matt 23:23-28	1 Thess 5:1-7
Sat	Dec 13	Hos 13:4-9	Matt 23:29-39	1 Thess 5:8-15
*Sun	Dec 14	Isa 61:1-4,8-11	John 1:6-8,19-28	1 Thess 5:16-24
Mon	Dec 15	Hos 14:1-9	Matt 23:1-14	Jude 1-16
Tues	Dec 16	Mal 3:1-5	Matt 24:15-31	Jude 17-25
Wed	Dec 17	Mal 3:6-12	Matt 24:32-44	James 5:7-10
Thurs	Dec 18	Mal 3:13-18	Matt 24:45-51	Rom 11:33-36
Fri	Dec 19	Mal 4:1-5	Matt 25:1-13	1 Cor 2:1-6
Sat	Dec 20	Exod 15:11-18	Matt 25:14-30	1 Cor 2:7-13
*Sun	Dec 21	2 Sam 7::1-11,16	Luke 1:26-38	Rom 16:25-27
Mon	Dec 22	1 Chron 16:8-18	Matt 25:31-46	Eph 3:7-13
Tues	Dec 23	1 Chron 16:19-27	John 5:30-47	Col 1:24-29
Wed	Dec 24	Isa 9:2-7	Luke 2:1-20	Titus 2:11-14
Thurs	Dec 25	Isa 62:6-7,10-12 or Isa 52:7-10	Luke 2:8-20 or John 1:1-14	Titus 3:4-7 or Heb 1:1-12
Fri	Dec 26	2 Chron 24:17-22	Acts 7:55-8:8	Acts 6:1-7
Sat	Dec 27	Prov 8:22-30	John 13:2-20	1 John 5:1-12
*Sun	Dec 28	Isa 61:10-62:3	Luke 2:22-40	Gal 4:4-7
Mon	Dec 29	Isa 12:1-6	John 7:37-52	Rev 1:1-8
Tues	Dec 30	Isa 25:1-9	John 7:53:-8:11	Rev 1:9-20
Wed	Dec 31	Isa 26:1-6	John 8:12-19	2 Cor 5:16-6:2



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Sent your articles to: kalos@avucc.org.

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