

Saturday 24 December
Christmas Eve

**5pm – candlelight service
with *Jazz on High***

**8pm – candlelight service
with *Chancel Choir***

To welcome the Christ born anew, join in this spirit-filled evening of favorite hymns, anthems, and scripture, with traditional lighting of the Christmas candles, and a Christmas message from the Reverend David Pattee, pastor. Both services are in the sanctuary.

Christmas Eve Offering

100% of the Christmas Eve offering will be directed to relief and support of people in need: 50% to *Monarch Services* which provides temporary housing for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking; and 50% to *Santa Cruz al Salvador* which connects Monterey Bay area congregations in service with communities in El Salvador.

Sunday 25 December – 10:30am

Christmas Day

Christmas Day, enjoy an easy going mostly-musical liturgy in our fellowship hall, with a brief meditation by Pastor Dave. Bring a favorite crèche (Nativity scene) to decorate your table, and bring your dish to share in a Christmas potluck brunch.

Address Correction Requested

Peace United Church
900 High St.
Santa Cruz, CA 95060



2022
Advent and
Christmas

Sunday Mornings
10:30am – worship in the Sanctuary
(childcare available)

Christmas Eve
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ADVENT SUNDAYS

November 27

First Sunday of Advent

Lighting the Candle of Hope
Isaiah 2:1-5 • Matthew 24:36-44

10:30am – worship

Sermon by Pastor Dave: *Stay Alert!*
Dedication of the Chrismons

11:45am – Advent workshop

December 4

Second Sunday of Advent

Lighting the Candle of Peace
Isaiah 11:1-9 • Matthew 3:1-12

10:30am – worship (Holy Communion)
Sermon by Pastor Dave: *What Can I Offer?*

December 11

Third Sunday of Advent

Lighting the Candle of Love
Isaiah 35:1-10 • Matthew 11:2-11

10:30am – worship (Birthday Sunday)
Mostly-musical liturgy

Christmas Cantata, by Daniel Pinkham
Chancel Choir • Cheryl Anderson, director

December 18

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lighting the Candle of Joy
Luke 1:46-55

10:30am – worship

Mostly-musical liturgy
Magnificent Mary
With Jazz on High

11:45am – celebrating
Joanna Hildebrandt's 100th birthday

THE CHRISTMAS PROJECT

For more than 20 years, Peace United Church of Christ has helped to provide Christmas gifts for farm labor families in the Pajaro Valley. The holiday season is especially challenging for these families as agricultural activity is on a pause and their finances are strained.

November 20 and November 27, we will have the Christmas Project table set up before and after worship. You can come by and select a green Angel tag for someone who needs a gift. The tag will specify the name and age of the person, and what they would like.

We need to have wrapped gifts (with the green Angel tag securely attached to the outside of the parcel) **assembled at the church by Sunday, December 4.**

A special treat of the Christmas Project is delivering these gifts to the families and enjoying a wonderful and delicious lunch. Gift delivery will start at approximately 1pm, Sunday, December 18 at the San Andreas Community, 295 San Andreas Road, Watsonville. Park to the side at the entrance to the community and look for a huge van with the gifts. People will be there to give instructions. You are welcome to continue to other camps as your time allows and Christmas Project staff will be able to help you. The gifts from our church usually go to Murphy's Camp Community which is the second stop.

If you have questions, contact Anna Hackenbracht at koohack@comcast.net.

Sunday 27 November – 10:30am
Dedication of the Chrismons

We have a new Christmas tree! Well, not exactly a new tree, but it will feel fresh and look really beautiful as it is adorned with hundreds of Chrismons, symbols for Jesus Christ newly handmade by a dozen members of our congregation led by Lisa Hoelsing. The worship service this morning will include prayers of Dedication of the Chrismons.

Sunday 27 November – 11:45am
Advent Workshop

Join us in the fellowship hall, right after worship, to make a wreath, a flower arrangement, or another decoration. Everything you need for making a traditional Advent wreath will be on hand, including wire, ribbons, candles, and a base. Greens and flowers will be provided, but bring some to add if you can. And please bring a vase if you'd like to arrange flowers to take home. If you have a craft to share, or for more information, contact Elizabeth Schilling, tel. 831-239-6012, lizzy@baymoon.com.

Saturday 3 December – 10am to 7pm
Spiritual Retreat

In this season that can bring so many demands and so much noise, come, retreat into quiet spirituality and contemplation here on our church campus, with disciplines of prayer and lots of open time for refreshment and renewal, paying attention to your soul and, if you need to, letting some things go. Lunch and dinner are included. Contact: lanakilaiesu@yahoo.com.

Saturday 10 December - 2pm
Watsonville Community Band
Concert of holiday favorites