



*Christmas from the View of Joseph and Mary*

***Joseph***

**Matthew 1:18-23**

**Pastor Harry Kelm**

**December 16, 2018**

***WELCOME TO GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH!***

If you would like to find out more about our church or ministries,  
please visit our Welcome Centre located in the foyer.

If you are visiting with us today, please take and fill out a Guest Card  
from the pew rack. You can place it in the offering plate as  
it passes or bring it to the Welcome Centre.

We would love to hear from you!

## ***Info For Everyone***

**2018 Donation Receipts** — If you have had changes to your information in the last year, please make a note on a connection card and put it in the offering plate. All donations to GBC for 2018 must be received at the church office by noon on December 31 or Canada Post marked on or before December 31. Please use the online giving option as well, up to December 31. If you would like to know your giving to date, please contact Bev Janzen at [bajanzen@shaw.ca](mailto:bajanzen@shaw.ca). Thank you for your continued financial and prayerful support!

## ***Ladies of Grace***

**Bridal Shower** — Please join us this Friday, December 21 at 7 pm in the Chapel as we honour Lauren Kelm, Pastor Harry and Cindy's daughter, who will be visiting Calgary with her fiancé, Ian, during Christmas. They are getting married in February in San Diego and will be honeymooning in B.C. so we are suggesting monetary contributions for their trip. Please RSVP to Jana at [jcleverley@gbccalgary.com](mailto:jcleverley@gbccalgary.com) if you are able to attend.

## ***Candlelight Christmas Eve Service***

We will be having our annual Candlelight Service on Monday, December 24 at 6 pm. Please invite your family and friends to enjoy the beauty of this special event. Our nursery will be open but not staffed. Feel free to use it providing your own adult supervision.



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## ***Children's Ministries***

*Kidz BLOX, "Building Lives On Christ", helps children from Preschool to Grade 6 grow in a relationship with God through Jesus Christ and one another.*

***Baby BLOX*** — Nursery is available for children under the age of two during the Sunday morning service.

***Baby Dedication*** — A baby dedication is an expression of a parent's love for God, seeking God's blessing on their child, and declaring to be godly nurturers of their child. The next Baby Dedication will be on February 10, 2019. If you would like to dedicate your baby or child, please contact Pastor Alice.

***Greeters Needed*** — This valuable ministry requires someone to be at the children's desk to help sign-in the children for Kidz BLOX during the Sunday morning service. If you feel called to be that friendly face and helping hand, please talk to Pastor Alice.

## ***Grace Student Ministries***

***Youth Christmas Party*** — Come celebrate the Season with your friends tonight at the Morrison's! From 6 to 8:30 pm bring \$3 for games, food and festivities. Don't forget to wear your best Christmas sweater!

***Hitmen Game*** — Join us on Friday, January 25 for a Calgary Hitmen game against the Prince George Cougars! Parents or students need to email Pastor Joel by January 6 to reserve your tickets (cost is \$15 each).

***theGathering*** — No *Gathering* until January 13. Enjoy the holidays everyone!!

### ***Church Office***

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## ***Prayer Requests***

### ***Pray for those unwell and/or at home:***

Rupert Aragon, Ella Bozicnik, Beth Campbell, Donna Clarke, Ruth Kind, David Nelson, Frieda Redlich, Sam and Annis Teske, and Doug Werklund

### ***Pray for those in Extended Care:***

Aspen Lodge — Lydia Sept

Bethany Care Centre — Vern Bettcher

Cedars Villa — Gladys deVries

Claresholm Centre — Tammy Chopyk

Foothills Hospital — Rene Dumais

Peter Lougheed Centre — Clarence Priebe

Rockyview Hospital — Dais Davis

St. Teresa Place — Enith Bettcher, Loretta Wiens

The Heartland — Else Hilbrecht

Waverly Home — Dennis Seever

Pray for those who are unable to join us on Sunday mornings due to illness or extended caregiving circumstances.

### ***Pray For:*** Sharley Silbernagel, Pais South Belfast, Ireland

Pais is a discipleship-led organization working with the local church to advance the Kingdom of God. Sharley is now working with a young adults group of students from a nearby university. Pray for this group, that they would be growing and begin to do outreach activities together. Pray that her team would continue to bond and grow in Christ. Pray for the work that they are doing, that they will be able to reach more young people with the message of God's love. Pray that Sharley would be growing in her own personal walk with Christ and that, as she faces Christmas away from her family, she would find comfort and love in her team and the greater family of God.

***Prayer Time:*** Everyone is welcome to join us at 9:45 am Sunday mornings in the Prayer Room to pray for our church and the Sunday morning service.

***Prayer Chain:*** Email [frontdesk@gbccalgary.com](mailto:frontdesk@gbccalgary.com) with prayer requests or fill out the prayer request section on a Guest Card or Connection Card found in the pew racks.

*If there is a birth, death or illness of a loved one, and you would like support, assistance or prayer, please call the church office.*

*If you are interested in knowing what it means to be a Christ-follower, please contact Pastor Harry Kelm.*