



**The First Christmas: Recapturing the Wonder**  
**A Unique Birth Announcement**  
**Luke 2:8-20**

**Introduction**

**The wonder of the unique birth announcement of Jesus comes from the angel to the Shepherds resulting in witness and worship.**

- The wonder of the unique birth announcement is to the humble, even despised shepherds from the angel of the Lord (8-9).
- The wonder of the unique birth announcement is about the birth of Jesus, who he is, along with a sign and angelic praising (10-14)!
- The wonder of the unique birth announcement leads to a visit, resulting in witness and worship (15-20).
- What is your response to the birth of Jesus?

*Welcome!*

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We welcome you to Ridgewood today. If you are new today, please complete a "We're Glad You're Here!" card. The cards are found in the pew rack in front of you and when complete, either place it in the offering plate or give it to the Welcome Center staff. We invite you to visit the Welcome Center for a Guest Packet that has information on our church and it's ministries and a gift from us.

**Ridgewood's Mission** is to live out the love of Jesus with one another, our community and the world, so that all may become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

**Ridgewood's Vision** is to be a growing, vibrant church teaching God's Word, where all are accepted, valued and strengthened to be more like Christ, enthusiastically sharing the love of Jesus with Brookfield and surrounding communities.

We will realize the Mission and Vision through:

- **Upreach** - lovingly relate and worship Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.
- **Inreach** - to lovingly relate with each other where we seek to grow into Christ likeness and equip each other for service.
- **Outreach** - to expand the kingdom of God through sharing the love of Jesus with those in our communities and into the world.

**How to become a part of Ridgewood?**

First, present yourself to the Lord in seeking His guidance for your life. Second, join us for weekly worship and group opportunities. Third, consider joining as members, but what is more important to us, is that you have a present relationship with Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. If you would like more information on becoming a follower of Jesus Christ, please contact Pastor Kent.

## White Cross



Christmas Program  
Thurs, Dec 8 @ 11:00 am

*ALL ladies are welcome!*

Frieda Kamentz (262) 623-6315

## Women's Service Project

Saturday, December 10

6:30 - 8:30 pm

Shopping for pajamas and personal items for women and children to benefit local shelters.

Includes shopping, wrapping the gifts, making cards and enjoying some Christmas goodies! If you can't join us, but would like to purchase items, please bring them UNWRAPPED to the Welcome Center or church office by 12/10.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center

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Today December 4, 2011

~ Communion ~ 2nd Advent

9:00 am - Senior Adult Sunday School - Room 204

9:30 am - Prayer

10:00 am - H.I.S. Kidz - Preschool Only

10:00 am - Worship Service

6:00 pm - Jr & Sr High Youth Group

## This Week

### Monday

### Tuesday

6:30 pm - Plus 10 Basketball

7:00 pm - Council Meeting

### Wednesday

5:30 pm - Family Meals

6:15 pm - Awana - Make a gift/Birthday Jamboree

7:00 pm - Bible Study

### Thursday

11:00 am - White Cross Christmas Program

### Friday

### Saturday

8:00 am - Men's Bible Study

6:30 pm - Women's Service Project

### Sunday ~ 3rd Advent ~

9:00 am - Senior Adult Sunday School - Room 204

9:30 am - Prayer

10:00 am - H.I.S. Kidz

10:00 am - Worship Service / Baby Dedication

11:15 am - Jr & Sr High Youth Group

11:15 am - Life Connections Groups

6:00 pm - Jr & Sr High Youth Group

**Lock Up:** December - Harry Rebiger

## What you need to know!

**Thanksgiving Offering:** Thank you to all those that gave to last week's Thanksgiving offering. The offering came to \$6,255. If you would still like to contribute, please use the special offering envelopes at the Welcome Center and drop it off at the specially-marked box.

**Life Connections:** We are looking for a volunteer to bring treats and make coffee for next Sunday. Please notify the office if you are available.

**White Cross:** The Ladies will have their Christmas Party on **Thursday, December 8th @ 11 am.**

**Meetings:** ► **Council**, Tuesday @ 7 pm; ► **White Cross**, Thursday @ 11 am; ► **Men's Bible Study**, Saturday @ 8 am; ► **Women's Service Project**, Saturday @ 6:30 pm; ► **Facility Management**, Monday, Dec. 12 @ 5:30 pm.

As of November 27th	General	Mission	Attendance:
Weekly Needed: \$	6,788	\$ 1,540	153
Offering Received: \$	13,327*	\$ 450	
YTD Needed: \$	325,847	\$ 73,939	
YTD Received: \$	302,664	\$ 68,677	
	<b>\$ (23,183)</b>	<b>\$ (5,262)</b>	

\*includes Thanksgiving offering of \$6,255