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A NEWSLETTER FOR THE CONGREGATION AND FRIENDS OF BEL AIR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A photograph of a sunset over a body of water, with the sky transitioning from orange to blue and the water reflecting the light. The Bel Air United Methodist Church spire is visible in the distance.

Welcome October / November

A beginning of a new adventure.

The staff of Bel Air United Methodist Church is thankful for a lot of things, but we're most thankful for You!

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2021

Family Food

The Maryland Food bank has implemented a new schedule for deliveries to our Neighbors in Need Ministry (Food Ministry). These changes will affect when we distribute food to the community. As of October 2021, we will be changing our day of serving from the 3rd Saturday to the 1st Saturday of each month.

On the first Saturday of October, BAUMC has a wedding scheduled, with the reception being held in McComas Hall. Due to the conflicting schedule, Neighbor's in Need (family Food) will not be open for business.

Our next scheduled family food will be November 6th and December 4th.

Please help us get the word out to the people affected by these changes. Any questions contact me at food.services@baumc.com.

Manna House

Volunteers needed to help serve guests a meal from 9am-1pm
If you can help, contact Greg - food.services@baumc.com

Manna House is happy to announce that we are now serving meals.

Doors open at 10:30 am. Meals served from 11:30 am - 12:45 pm.
Manna House is in need of plastic grocery bags.

Furniture donations/requests are no longer accepted at the church. Please call Found in Faith at 443-519-2464.

The Pass It On (Financial Assistance) Ministry volunteers are working remotely on Mondays from 9am to 12 noon. Volunteers will be available by phone during that time; voicemail messages are responded to on Monday mornings and e-mails are checked on a regular basis. To apply, please go to the church website: www.belairumc.org. The Pass It On phone number is 410-838-0235.

The Lightner Library volunteers are available on Wednesday from 12 noon - 3 pm and Thursdays from 9am - 12 noon. We look forward to seeing our library patrons.



Sermon By Phone 410-800-4472

We are happy to announce that we now have a way for those of our congregation who are not electronically-connected to hear Sunday sermons. "Sermon By Phone" allows people to call in and hear the scripture reading and sermon. The information will be updated on a weekly basis.

If you know of someone who could benefit from this, please pass along the information.

Helping you stay connected while we are apart.



Join Anne Goodman and the Prayer Team Wednesdays for group prayer at 3:30 pm.

Join Through the ZOOM App
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/905302493?pwd=U3J4WU5tZHhvNytHV1J4Ym5FNjIQT09>

Meeting ID: 905 302 493 Password: BAUMC
To Dial In: 253 215 8782 or 301 715 8592
Meeting ID: 905 302 493 Password: 242531

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

October Sundays in C4 Kids Ministry
In person and on line



Look out for your invitation to Hogwarts!

Join us as we

Look at Our Faith with Harry Potter

We will be using only the first book to see how we will resist evil, trust through sacrifice, learn from the disciplines and Love.

Finish up this series with a

Grand Harry Potter Party

October 30th @ 4pm in Room 101

November Sundays in C4 Kids Ministry



We are just loving our castle theme.



We will be celebrating our Third Graders as they receive their Bibles. We are so excited as a church to gift each Third Grader with a Bible. Save the Date of November 14th in the 9:15 Service. Please let Pastor Deb know of your Third Grader so we don't miss one.

Special Fellowship for the 11:00 Modern Worship Community!

October 3rd at Noon we will have a potluck picnic. Details will come to you by text.

C4 Kids QR Codes



YOUTH MINISTRIES

WEEKLY EVENTS

Middle School Sunday School

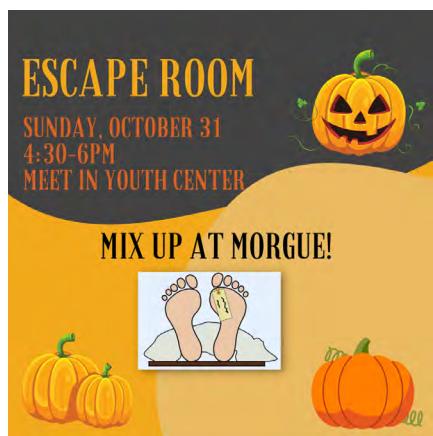
Sundays, 9:15 am - Youth Center

Youth Bible Study

Sundays, 10:15 am - Youth Center

Youth Group

Sundays, 4:30 pm - McComas Hall, Youth Center Room 202 and Gaga Pit
(Not meeting Nov. 28 & Dec 26)

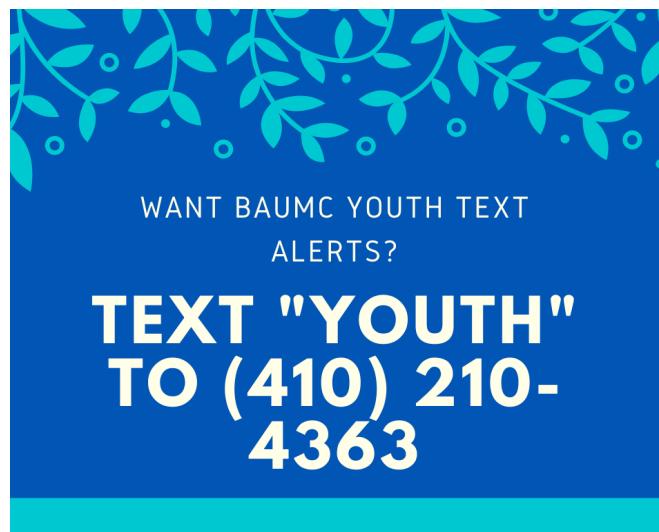


SAVE THE DATE

Wave Retreat (formally known as ROCK)

January 7 - 9, 2022 in Ocean City, MD!
Registration opens on September 12.

<https://bit.ly/BelAirWave2022>
or text WAVE2022 to 410-210-4363



COLLEGE ADDRESSES – We know people move, young adults go into the military, go away to school or move out of Mom and Dad's house. We would like your young adult/college student address and e-mail in order to keep in touch and to update our database.

Do you have a student graduating from high school or college?
Please click on the link below to update.

<https://belairumc.org/update-your-contact-information/>

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER MILESTONES

Happy Anniversary

David & Faith Erickson - 16th anniversary on 10/1
David & Brittany Schmidt - 10th anniversary on 10/1
Dave & Jean Walker - 46th anniversary on 10/2
Les & Johanna Adams - 52nd anniversary on 10/4
Isaac & Christina Alderman - 7th anniversary on 10/4
Brian & Jessica Kolbe - 19th anniversary on 10/4
Garry & Nancy Schorr - 46th anniversary on 10/4
Chris & Amanda Shorter - 18th anniversary on 10/4
Russell & Kelsey Orem - 8th anniversary on 10/5
Mark & Laurie Hudson - 15th anniversary on 10/7
Gary & Karen Davis - 27th anniversary on 10/8
Ben & Allison Tillman - 10th anniversary on 10/8
Bill & Carol Benson, Jr. - 28th anniversary on 10/9
Randy & Lisa Anders - 23rd anniversary on 10/10
Fred & Phyllis Bradley - 40th anniversary on 10/10
Andrew & Elizabeth Mayer - 1st anniversary on 10/10
Mike & Lisa Wolf - 29th anniversary on 10/10
James & Carey Ann Ferdick - 10th anniversary on 10/11
Bob & Peggy Homberg - 34th anniversary on 10/11
Jeff & Kim Lipscomb - 24th anniversary on 10/11
Brett & Jessica Rome - 13th anniversary on 10/11
Nolan & Holly Shaver - 35th anniversary on 10/11
Michael & Kelly Campbell - 30th anniversary on 10/12
Jon & Jill Johnson - 37th anniversary on 10/12
Chris & Diane Sengstacke - 36th anniversary on 10/12
Ronald & Suzanne Badger - 37th anniversary on 10/13
George & Jan Newberry - 49th anniversary on 10/14
Willard & Nancy Duffy, Jr. - 38th anniversary on 10/15
Jason & Katie Roberts - 10th anniversary on 10/15
Andrew & Julie Heath - 17th anniversary on 10/16
Ron & Kathy Stearn - 6th anniversary on 10/17
Tim & Allison Myers - 2nd anniversary on 10/18
Anthony & Dana Palumbo, III - 2nd anniversary on 10/18
Mark & Patti Terry - 35th anniversary on 10/18
David & Susan DiCarlo - 30th anniversary on 10/19
Tim & Cheryl Lesh - 48th anniversary on 10/19
Curt & Peg Parrish - 36th anniversary on 10/19
Don & Loretta Mahan - 37th anniversary on 10/20
John & Rhonda Bockius - 26th anniversary on 10/21
Jay & Erica Valdes - 29th anniversary on 10/24
Alan & Judy Radel - 46th anniversary on 10/25



Doug & Cindy Graham - 36th anniversary on 10/26
Andy & Diane Hessenauer - 25th anniversary on 10/26
Gary & Janet Teter - 47th anniversary on 10/27
Andy Levy & Tracy Sanger-Levy - 21st anniversary on 10/28
John & Sherri Tolley - 27th anniversary on 10/29
Greg & Genene LaCour - 34th anniversary on 10/31
Michael & Page Brannan - 13th anniversary on 11/1
Lance & Joan Elloff - 46th anniversary on 11/1
Doug & Janet Dorer - 53rd anniversary on 11/2
Robert & Megan Kollar - 4th anniversary on 11/4
Al & Vicki Seitzinger - 27th anniversary on 11/5
Mike & Patty Redding - 35th anniversary on 11/8
Bob & Cindy Young - 41th anniversary on 11/8
James & Laura Mink - 8th anniversary on 11/9
Charles & Dottie Goddard - 60th anniversary on 11/11
Doug & Nancy Shuman, Sr - 26th anniversary on 11/11
Jeff & Susie Roberts - 29th anniversary on 11/14
Jim & Sarah Miller - 35th anniversary on 11/15
Tim & Katie Hilyard - 20th anniversary on 11/17
Douglas & Samantha Struve - 8th anniversary on 11/17
Wayne & Jessica Walls - 20th anniversary on 11/17
Randy & Libby Hafer - 50th anniversary on 11/20
Derek & Loxanne Holder - 21th anniversary on 11/20
Greg & Carmen Swartz - 29th anniversary on 11/23
Pete & Lois Entner - 28th anniversary on 11/26
Dave & Elaine Stewart-Craig - 38th anniversary on 11/26
Jack & Hallie Kelly - 50th anniversary on 11/27
Mark & Ginni Pippen - 23rd anniversary on 11/27
Rich & Linda Erickson - 53rd anniversary on 11/28
Bill & Joan Stiffler - 53rd anniversary on 11/29
Rob & Amy Ryan - 30th anniversary on 11/30

Happy Anniversary! May you continue to love, cherish and honor one another for years to come.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER MILESTONES

Eliana Nyumowolo Harris

Daughter of Darlington Harris & Tetee Maximore

Alexandra Grace Mink

Daughter of James & Laura Mink



Happy Birthday

10/01 - Dot Clark
10/02 - Jean Walker
10/03 - Ann Casey
10/07 - Shirley MacLean
10/07 - Paul Miller
10/09 - Annie Stearn
10/13 - Betty Cooper
10/14 - Helen Sanders
10/15 - Jeanne Manns
10/15 - Jack Potter
10/19 - Shirley Cooney
10/19 - Joyce Humbert
10/21 - Robert Norman
10/21 - Ila Dukes

10/24 - Eric Schumann
10/25 - Leora Hieber
10/30 - Fay Sigler
10/31 - Dot Albizo

11/05 - Charles Goddard
11/07 - Sue Gillette
11/13 - Audrey Coale
11/13 - Nancy Jenkins
11/16 - Marie Myers
11/17 - Bob Gantert
11/19 - Coe Randall
11/27 - Sandy Miller
11/28 - Barb Kobler

We are pleased to celebrate the birthdates of those who are at least 80 years young!



Attention Blood Donors:

Those wishing to donate blood at the drive on November 8 are encouraged to sign up by calling 1-800-733-2767 or online at www.redcross.org.

Remember that signing up for Easy Pass will make the donation process faster and easier.

Thank you.
Blood Drive Committee

FCCAU GOLF TOURNAMENT CHURCH CHALLENGE

Golf Winners: 7 times, 5 in a row for the past 5 years
2012, 2013, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021



Left to right: Carl Adkin, Dave Talbot, Les Grimm, Mark Ward

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SPECIAL OFFERING FOR OCTOBER CONGREGATIONAL RELIEF FUND

To donate please go to

<http://bit.ly/BelAirUMCCongregationalRelief>

BW CONFERENCE SPECIAL OFFERING FOR NOVEMBER UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY

offering help provide for over 70 scholarships available for United Methodist students to further their education and enrich the life of the Church.

To donate please go to <http://bit.ly/BelAirUMStudentDayOffering>



New Children's and Youth Choirs!

Bel Air UMC is launching a new choir program for kids from age 4 through Grade 12, directed by Kristen Brought.

Our youngest group is open to kids age 4 - Grade 2.

Our intermediate group is open to kids in Grades 3-5.

Our youth choir is open to all youth in Grades 6-12.

These groups of singers will meet on a rotating schedule.

October is for the youngest group!

Beginning Sunday, October 10, Ms. Kristen will meet singers age 4 - Grade 2 in room 101 from 10:15 - 11:00am. Come join us October 10, 17, 24, and 31.

November is for the intermediate group!

Beginning Sunday, November 7, Ms. Kristen will meet singers in Grades 3-5 in room 101 from 10:15 – 11:00am. Come join us November 7, 14, 21, and 28.

December is for the youth choir!

Beginning Sunday, December 5, Ms. Kristen will meet singers in Grades 6-12 in room 101 from 10:15 - 11:00am.

Come join us December 5, 12, 19 and January 2.

Questions? Contact Kristen at kwbrought@yahoo.com
Come and be a part of something new!

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Thank You

PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY
We appreciate your faithful service.

Pastor Appreciation Day began with the establishment of Clergy Appreciation Month. In Timothy 1 (5:17), Paul began the concept of clergy appreciation when he stated that the elders of the church are worthy of double honor. He reiterated this idea in Thessalonians 1 (5: 12-13) when he stated that those who work hard among you should be held in the highest regard for their work. This idea became Clergy Appreciation Month in 1992, established by pastors and religious workers. Eventually, Pastor Appreciation Day would form out of this month, and this year, Pastor Appreciation Day is on October 10, 2021.

Pastor Appreciation Day is the perfect holiday to show your pastor just how good of a job one is doing and to give one encouragement to keep up the good work. Here at Bel Air UMC, we are blessed with three pastors who have shepherded us through the pandemic, given us encouragement that God is watching over us, and have shown us how to Love as Jesus Loves. Please take some time during the month of October to honor our pastors. The simplest way to show gratitude to your church's clergy is to share compliments. This may mean speaking highly of them to others or saying "thank you" to them in person, text, phone call or sending a card. Everyone enjoys hearing kind words. And, don't forget to extend this courtesy to your pastor's family. United Methodists are good at feeding others. In the age of Covid, preparing and sharing meals may be best replaced with gift cards. Ask where your pastor and family enjoy eating out, then offer gift cards to their favorite restaurants.

Prayer is huge. Pray for your pastors each day, keeping in mind any needs or challenges your pastors may be facing. If Tuesday is sermon writing day, pray that God will guide and direct your pastor's words. On Sundays, pray for God to use your pastor to share words that connect with others. Please remember to say 'thank you' to our pastors during the month of October.

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Bel Air United Methodist Food Ministries Holiday in a Box Order Form

Hunger is a growing issue in Harford County. Our Food Ministries provide a hot meal and a bag of groceries each week for 70-100 families through Manna House, deliver food to over 250 Seniors in Harford County and provide supplemental groceries, meats and produce to over 275 families once a month to those in need of food assistance at Saturday Family Food Ministry.



For those struggling, having a Holiday dinner with family and friends offers a sense of normalcy. Our food ministries has a tremendous opportunity for you to provide a complete meal to 200 families for \$10 per family.

When you sponsor a family they will receive a turkey, vegetables, stuffing, bread and a dessert, everything you need to enjoy a Holiday meal. **Families will receive the Holiday boxes during our November 6th Family Food Distribution and one Wednesday through Manna House. To sponsor a family, complete the form below or go to <http://bit.ly/BelAirUMC2021HolidayInaBox>**

Make checks payable to BAUMC Food Ministries, 21 Linwood Ave. Bel Air, MD 21014 Attn: Food Ministries

Sponsor name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

I would like to sponsor _____ family (s) at \$10 each = \$_____

Help Needed

BAUMC Is looking for a Weekend custodian. With reentry from Covid we are now hosting more meetings and events in our facility. As such, our custodial needs have expanded. The shift hours for this position are 1:PM to 9: PM on Saturdays and Sundays. As this is a part time position there are no benefits included. We are also looking for one or more "on call" custodians to help cover vacations, illnesses or absences as needed.

If interested, please contact the church

Tony Ciampaglio
Church Administrator
employment@baumc.com
ciampagliot@baumc.com
410-838-5181 ext. 38

Help Wanted

Looking for some individuals to help count the offering for Sunday services starting around 10:30am. The rotation would be once every eight weeks for about one hour to start. Once everything gets back to normal, it would be up to 1 ½-2 hours max. If you are interested, please reach out to Bev Jenkins at (410) 652-3115 or jenkibe@verizon.net.

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A LOT was accomplished in September with VIM & volunteers. They finished the front yard landscaping at Mulatwa's house today. The complex wheelchair ramp was done by Habitat. Then, they added sidewalks & replaced the asphalt front parking pad for safe & easy access to her new ramp, landscaped her yard and put down grass seed. The finish line is near. Mulatwa is very happy and grateful.

A big thank you to our volunteers, Tim, Amalie & Adam Knabe; Randy Wentsel; Susanne & Kyle Bittle; Brent & Richard Slutzky; Lisa & Joel Caudill.

Volunteers in Mission (VIM) and Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna

Construction volunteers needed on Saturday 10/23/21

VIM and other volunteers from Bel Air UMC will work on the rehab of a townhome in Aberdeen. This is Habitat's "FAITH & UNITY BUILD", a project Bel Air UMC and other local churches are supporting financially. Please join others on the final stages of this project. Anyone can volunteer. Habitat provides supervision and instruction as well as all equipment. Be sure to wear work clothing and bring a lunch, if you wish. Sign-up online at:

<https://backpac.web.app/details?flow=EventFlow&eventMappingId=LySuhw4pLhjsa3PhZeeI>

Saturday, October 23rd

Time: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

165 Farm Road

Aberdeen, MD

If you have any questions, please contact Tim Knabe (taknabe42@gmail.com)



Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated
September 15 - October 15

each year in the U.S. The celebration begins in the middle of the month because September 15 marks the anniversary of the independence of five countries: Costa Rica, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras, and Guatemala. It is followed by Mexico's independence Day, September 16, and Chile's, September 18.

Read more at the following link.

[Hispanic Heritage Month — R-Squared \(r2hub.org\)](https://r2hub.org/Hispanic-Heritage-Month)

TOY WORKSHOP & Adopt a Child

What Is It?

We collect, check, clean and refurbish gently used toys. We also fill stockings, make gift baskets and make baby sets.

Who Do We Serve?

We serve children in need in Harford County through our church Adopt-A-Child Ministry, local social services agencies, teachers, guidance counselors and other helping agencies in the county. Our church serves over 300 families in the Family Food Ministry and those with children are guided through the "toy shop" to choose items for their children.

What Do We Do?

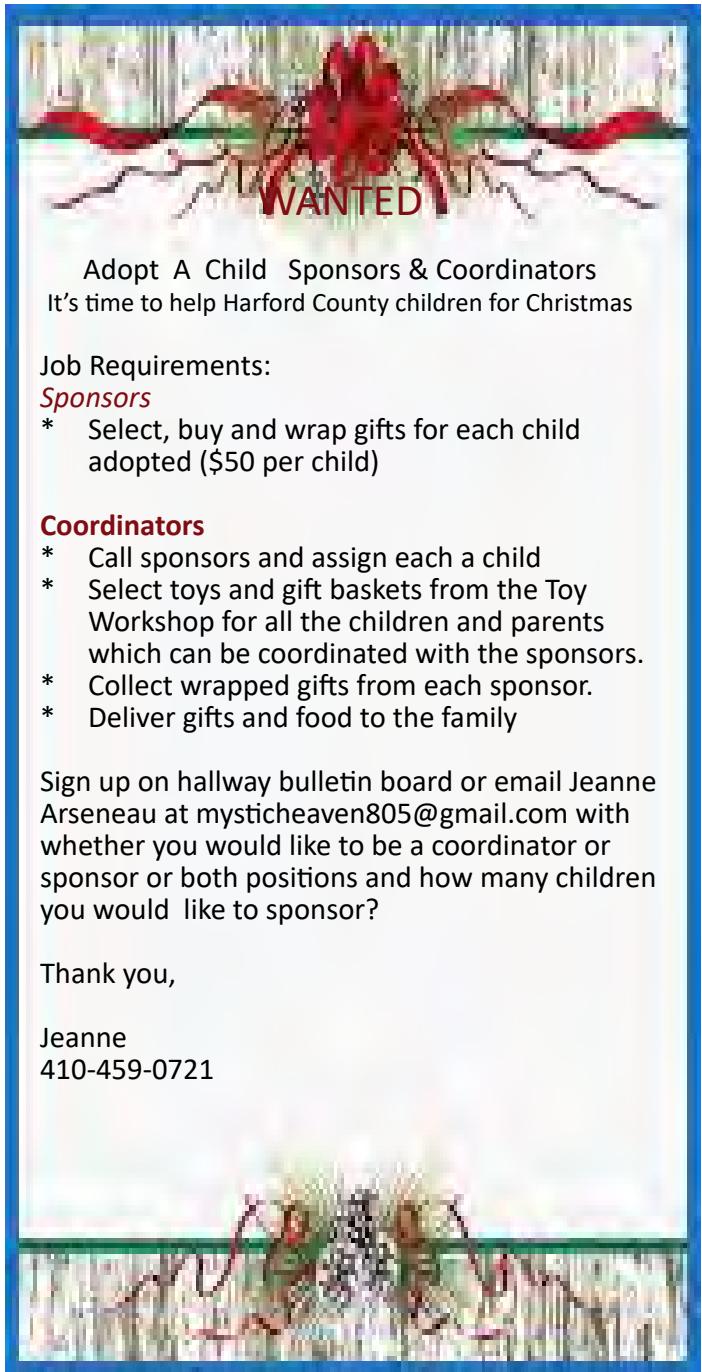
We clean, check, repair and put in new batteries when needed. For 2021, **we will collect toys from November 1st to November 22nd**. We include directions (if needed) and bag parts together. We will not be collecting used bikes this year.

Then the Toy Workshop will open on November 26 & 27th (9am – 5pm)(the 2 days after Thanksgiving) and the week of November 28 to December 4th (9am – 10pm)

How Can You Help?

We need many volunteers to check, clean, organize, repair and add batteries. No specific skill or supplies are needed. Join in the fun and fellowship (while playing with the toys), help children and families with gifts at Christmas and help accomplish a huge recycling project.

Questions? Coming as a group? E-Mail Elaine Ziegler at elainezig1@yahoo.com.





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SUBMISSIONS FOR DECEMBER'S NEWSLETTER

Do you have an event or article you'd like to see in **DECEMBER'S** edition of the SPIRE? Send them to wolf@baumc.com and carmenc@baumc.com by **12 noon, Tuesday, NOVEMBER 16TH.**

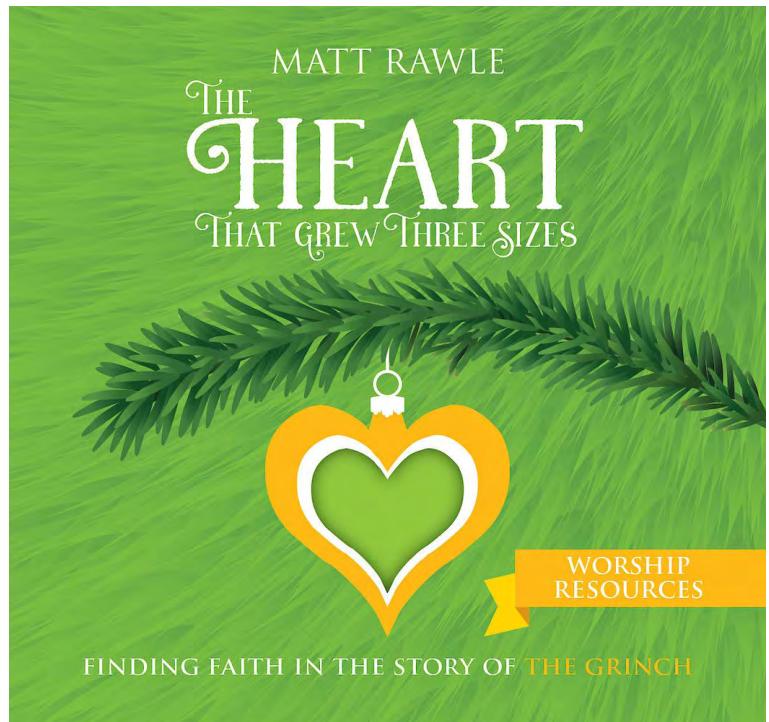
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Advent Bible Study

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