

The Giving Tree

“It is in giving that we receive.”

The annual Christmas Giving Tree has been put up in the Meeting House by the Board of Christian Action. Written on each paper ornament is a wish from needy children and their families who live in our nearby communities.

We ask members and friends of our congregation to choose an ornament (or two or three), purchase the item requested, and wrap it with the ornament attached securely. Please place the wrapped gift under the Giving Tree by **Sunday, December 18.**

Santa and his helpers will deliver the gifts to two local programs: Grace Smith House, a shelter for abused women and their families; and the Astor Early Childhood Program, which works with families in Millerton and the surrounding area. The greatest need is for gas and CVS gift cards, towels, sheets and blankets, clothing, and household items. Books, educational toys, and art supplies will help brighten the children's Christmas.

Both organizations have expressed how very grateful they are to SCC for our tremendous generosity every year. Our gifts can help parents meet some of their basic needs, bring excitement and joy to their children, and demonstrate our commitment to helping others in our own community. Merry Christmas!

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