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# The Story of Christmas

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country, shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.,

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a saviour, which is Christ

the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying; Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

And they came in haste, and found Mary, Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

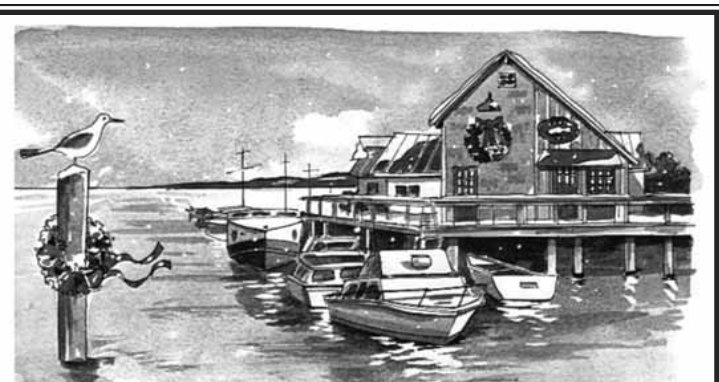
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Richard Sprague  
DMD  
& Staff

# Dear Santa...

**Dear Santa**  
How has it been at the nothe pole? Has there been any problems? How is your elf helper. Can you ples send me a note bake nt in cersen please? Can I please have a teloscop and space rocks please.

**Devyn**

**Dear Santa**  
I love you! Please can I hav a playset of a doctr and a princess. Please Santa? And pet Stown stuf please Santa please can I have a toy tree and a picture of Rudolph? And ornaments?

**Brea Randrup**  
age 6

**Dear Santa**  
Hope all the raindeer are Happy. May I have some leggos and a boat with a motor. Please take care of my animal friends in the forest.

I love you,  
**Dick Whittington**  
4 3/4 yrs old

**Dear Santa**  
I want makup cit for Christmas if will have compact with ceac stuff in it, eye liner, eye shadow, and difrint cindo of lip stick, sampo, candishinor, perfyom, body sope,, body loshin and here gell.

**Erin**

**Dear Santa**  
Your'e so cool. How's your'e Elves! And How are you I wish I could see you right now Christmas is my farrite holiday and how's you're raindeer! Okay sorry I had a

lot of questions! For christmas I want the jug of slime at the hammer and weecon and the flipy unicorn slippers. And eye shadow! And a cat pick me pop.

Merry Christmas  
Limited Too Santa yay!  
**Una Romine**

**Dear Santa**  
I want a Ariel barbie Set that comes with the Castle. And a Jasmine barbie that comes with a Castle. And I will give you some cookies. Love

**Lora**

**Dear Santa,**  
Hope you are doing well. I have been trying to be god this year. But it is hard sometimes.

Please bring me some books on animals and a Big digger Tonka Truck.

Pleas find homes for all the animals that are in shelters Thank you and much LOVE

**Jazz K Speck**  
5 yrs old

**Dear Santa,**  
I wice a dog, a baby dvi tha bubba, blankle + pillow. Love,

**Lily**

**Dear Santa,**  
I would like these things for Christmas.  
1. Crystal Hedgehog  
Thank you for your consideration. We will be good boys and stay on the nice list!

**Cooper Kandoll**

**Dear Santa,**  
this is Lucia. what I want



for Christmas is... a little puppy that will behave, fit in my palm and won't bite. By the way how is Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Victsen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitsin doing? Merry Christmas Santa

P.S. I'm 8 years old now!  
**Love Lucia Worhatch**



**Dear Santa,**  
I want a puppy and a tram-poline, all of the police swat and navy seal legos. Axe throwing kit, bumper bubbles and a store. And a new car for mommy.

Thank you santa!  
**Noah Larson**

**Dear Santa,**  
all I want for christmas is a crisp one hundred dollar bill and a tub of cream cheese under it.

**Eli**



BRIAN VARELA / Petersburg Pilot

Ivy Worhatch cheerfully walks away with a candy cane and a present after visiting with Santa and Mrs.Claus.

**Dear Santa,**  
I have been a very good boyo this year! Please let my mom and dad know what kind of cookies are your fa-

vorite and I's love to meet your reindeer. This year I really want a nintendo switch and a little drone I can fly by myself, and maybe a new xbox 1 minecraft game. Thanks Santa!

Love,  
**Rory Volk**

**Dear Santa,**  
How are you and the rain dear I hope you have a grate christmas. All I would like for christmas is white vans, sharpie, instant camera, and nan nums slime machins

Thank you Santa,  
**Amelia Bates**

**Dear Santa,**  
Can I ples have 2 LOL Dolls and headphones and a new blankt pikmi pop and 2 moro LOL Dolls

From: Daisy  
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# Dear Santa

Continued from page 4 travels and smoothest landings.

Sincerely,

Cadance Flint

Dear santa

this is Ivy I wont a big lol dol and juno the elafit. haw ar the elfs goweeng plees tel them mery christmas for me.

Love

Ivy Worhatch  
age 6

To Santa,

I would like a clubhouse painted in rainbows, a tea set all in rainbows, a wonder women set. Thank you for my other presents Santa.

Santa, I wear a size 5.

Love,

Tula  
Age 4



BRIAN VARELA / Petersburg Pilot

Mateo Maldonado, right, was a little nervous when he met Santa on Saturday, but Mrs. Claus helped him be brave. His sister, Luci Maldonado, was happy to meet Santa and tell him what she wanted for Christmas.

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Dear Santa Claus,

This year for Christmas I would like some new acrylic paints, some paint brushes, some black bakeing clay, a left handed Genisis bow and some arrows, also may I please have a lockpick kit, an instruction manual (for the lock pick kit), and a lock (one of the ones that I would put on a swim locker) please

Sincerely,

Heidi M Brantuas

Savina Pawuk makes a bead necklace on Saturday during the Breakfast with Santa festivities.



BRIAN VARELA / Petersburg Pilot

## Bring On the Merry!

Friends, family and festivities...  
Light, love and laughter...  
Gifts, gratitude and goodwill...

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Festive scenes that make us jolly,  
The Christmas season is finally here,  
Bringing with it joy and cheer;  
And on that note, the time is due,  
to share best wishes with all of you.  
May Your Season  
Be Blessed and Happy!

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# The Pregnancy of Advent

By FR. STEVE GALLAGHER  
St. Catherine of  
Siena Catholic Church

December 1st is a very significant date in American history because on that date in 1955 Rosa Parks refused to move to the "back of the bus." This date is recognized as the beginning of the American Civil Rights Movement.

December 1, 2019 is also a very significant date because on that Sunday we began our 24-day Advent spiritual journey to prepare for the arrival of our Lord Jesus Christ - you know - Christmas. I think it is incumbent upon us to ask,

"Will I be ready?" And, if not, "why should I get ready?"

Rosa Parks, who never had any children, was thrust into the limelight and most of us grew up learning her story. The Holy Mother of God, Mary, had one child, Jesus Christ, who is the Light of the world and most of us grew up learning His story.

Now, imagine if you will, especially those who celebrate birthdays in this time, a woman's pregnancy paralleling that of Mary's. Think of the preparation women go through in anticipation of the arrival of their child. Doctor's appointments, baby showers,

preparing the baby's room, completely readjusting their lives in preparation to receive another, and being open to receive so much from so many friends.

Christians for centuries have honored Mary, the mother-to-be. I wonder how she prepared? I can only imagine that, like women all over the world, she did feel some anxiety in her pregnancy, labor and birth. I wonder if she had pain? A Doctrine of the Catholic Church says that she was free from sin - not pain.

Consider preparing like your own mother did in anticipation of your birth. Consider

preparing like Mary did in anticipation of the birth of her child - our Savior.

Let us give up the illusion of control so many believe in. Let us surrender our will to the will of God and use this Advent as a time for the salvation of our souls. Let us, like pregnant women, be open to receive. If not for yourself - at

least do it for the souls of your children.



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*Wishing you a whale of a Holiday!!*





## Merry Christmas To All, And To All A Good Flight.

Here's our best wishes to you and yours, for a happy, healthy and prosperous Holiday Season.

**Alaska**  
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From the crew in Petersburg:  
Nate, Darcey, Eunice, Gayle, Jody, Laura, Mali, Sebastian, Skyler, Scott, Ken & Angel

# Christmas and its hidden Jewish roots

By PASTORS LLOYD AND  
YVONNE THYNES  
Bethesda Fellowship

Recently I sat and watched a warm fuzzy movie with my wife. You know the kind where two people meet, and in the end, you know they will fall into each other's arms realizing that they are meant for each other.

What was uniquely different in the plot of this movie, was the cultural lines of the two main characters.

One, the leading lady celebrates what would be considered the traditional American Christmas. The leading man, who starts out as a close friend and as the plot leads, becomes the person who wins her heart, is Jewish and celebrates Hanukkah.

He begins to teach her the Jewish traditions of the festival of lights and the significance of the menorah.

Truth is, what we celebrate as Christmas would never be celebrated were it not for the Jewish people.

As a Christian I owe a debt to the Jewish people, for their forefathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, from which the nation of Israel and King David, through which Mary's lineage stemmed.



This is all in accord to the prophet Isaiah 11:1; There shall come forth a rod from the stem of Jesse, and a branch shall grow

out of his roots. In Isaiah 7:13,14; Then he said, "Hear now, O house of David! Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but

will you my God also? Therefore, the Lord Himself will give you a sign; Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son,

and shall call His name Immanuel."

This all was in accord with God's promise to bring mankind back to right relationship with Himself.

As promised, the conception of Jesus was supernatural, by the Holy Spirit.

But it required the promise of God to a man Abraham, to the nation that was in the one seed, Isaac to carry that promise to this day, where the savior Jesus or Yeshua was born.

Jesus was born Jewish and there would be no Christian church if there were no Jewish people and Jewish believers. The hatred towards Jewish people is because they were and are God's chosen people and they paid the price to carry the promises of God. It is an attempt to stop the promise of God in the lives of Gentiles as well.

There is no other religion on earth that ever provided a savior that could restore us to right relationship to God. Only God could through His son Jesus.

Every intricate detail of His birth, life, purpose, were laid out by God's prophets as recorded in the Bible.

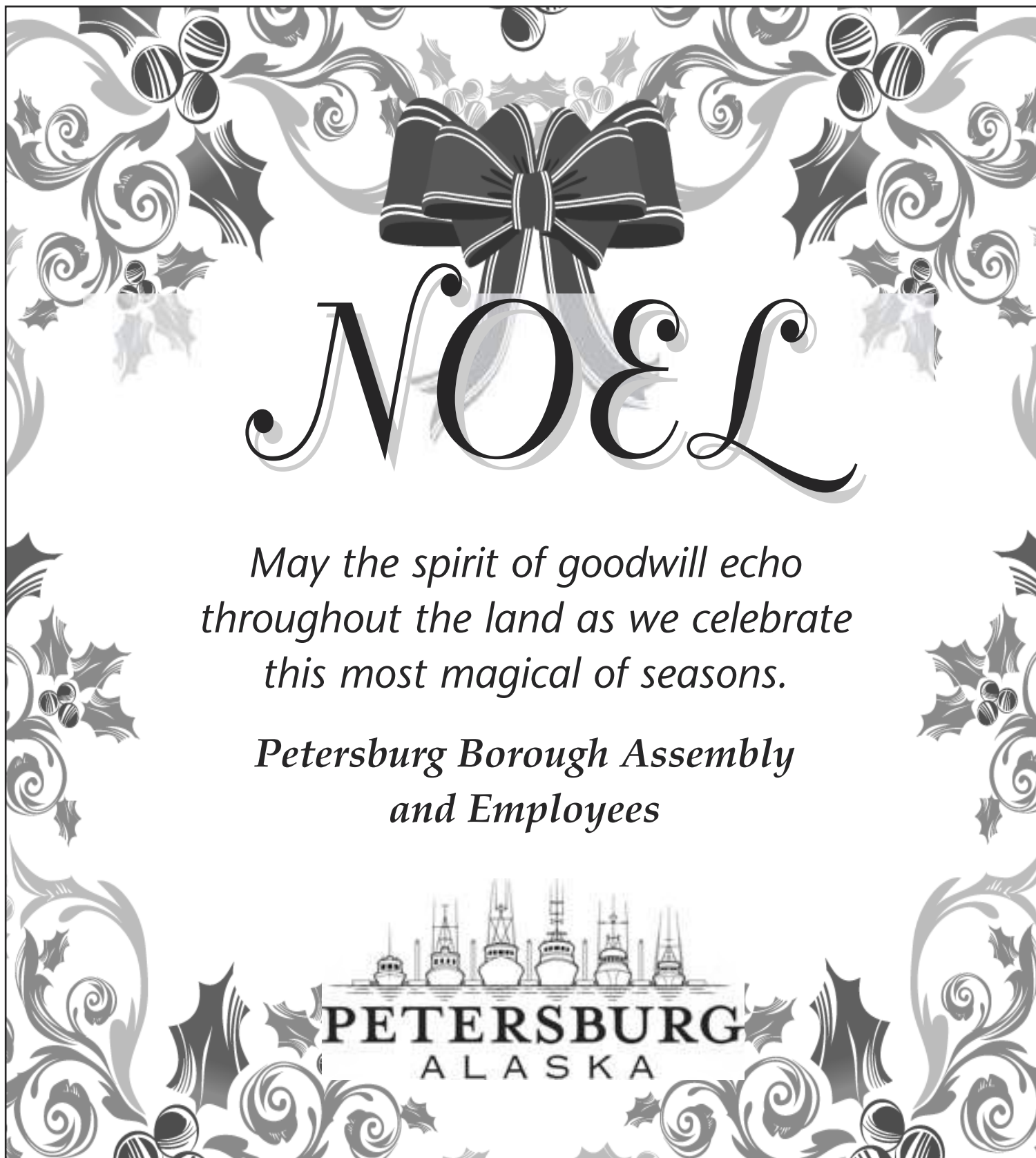
I have heard said, Christmas is about family, well yes and no.

Yes, in that there is promise from John 1:11-13; He came to His own, and they did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

So, it is about the light of the world, a promise to Abraham, that we truly have this season.

I encourage you all to recognize the greatest gift ever given by God Himself, Jesus the savior of the world, the way of God to right standing with Him.

Enjoy the season with loved ones, friends and family, but remember that you can be a part of God's family, by receiving the Christ of Christ-mass.





# Just Call Him Jesus!

By **LEE CORRAO**  
First Baptist Church

I had an amusing experience several years ago that has continued to influence my life over 25 years later. I was living in Kake, Alaska at the time. I was in my office studying when the phone rang: "Kake Assembly of God, Pastor Lee speaking," I answered. The caller replied, "This is Teacher

Lavelle..." I don't remember the rest of that conversation, but it still makes me smile! As I've pondered this over the years it has made me realize how titles can often create hurdles to relationship.

Jesus was all about eliminating obstacles, he just wanted to be called Jesus. When the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would conceive a child by the

Holy Spirit, he told her to simply name him Jesus (Luke 1:31). In the Gospels, Jesus is the most common name found, used over 600 times. If Jesus were answering a phone call today, I don't believe he would say, "Hello, this is the Lord's Christ, the Son of the Living God speaking." He might simply say, "This is Jesus, how may I help you?" If Jesus were meeting you for the first time, I believe he would ask for your name first because he cares more about you than himself. After you told him who you are, he would say something like, "Good to meet you, I'm Jesus."

Jesus was, and is, approachable to every kind of person you can name. Children loved to run to him (and probably crawled all over him!) The sick came to him and he healed them. Those who were troubled came and he comforted them. People who did really bad things came to him too,

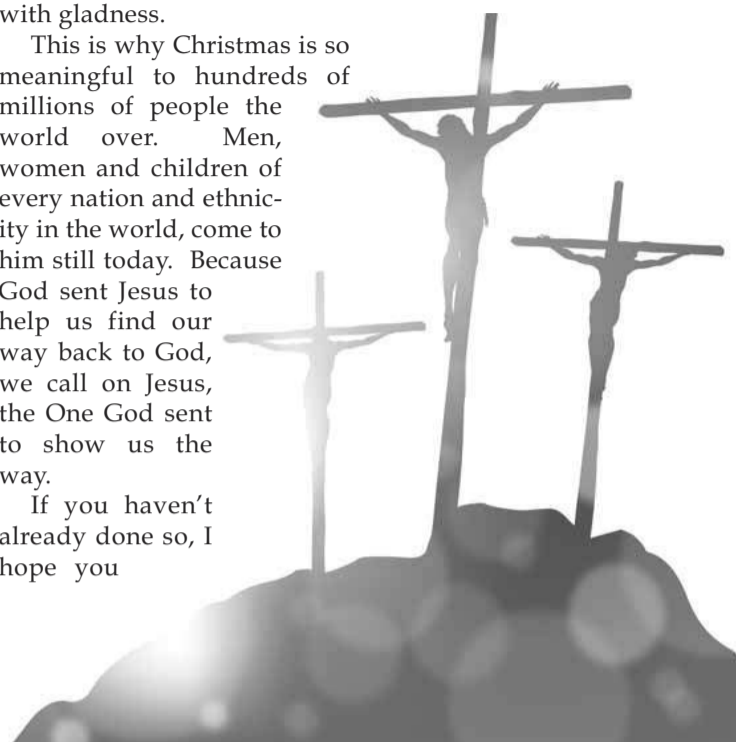
sensing he would help them, not criticize them. Sinners came, and he forgave them. Any person, no matter what could, then, and still can now, come to him and be welcomed with gladness.

This is why Christmas is so meaningful to hundreds of millions of people the world over. Men, women and children of every nation and ethnicity in the world, come to him still today. Because God sent Jesus to help us find our way back to God, we call on Jesus, the One God sent to show us the way.

If you haven't already done so, I hope you

will go to Jesus and ask for his help. Just call Him Jesus....

"Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Acts 2:21



## A Blessed Time

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*

*Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end.*

—Isaiah 9:6-7

*May you and yours be blessed with peace and joy all through Christmas and beyond.*

# First Baptist Church

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## Christmas Eve Worship Service 6:30 PM

“A little faith will bring your soul to heaven; a great faith will bring heaven to your soul.”

- Charles H. Spurgeon

Wishing you and yours all the comfort and great joy of this holiday season

We look forward to your continued friendship

Merry Christmas

from Sarah, George & Joey

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# All Saints Day: Be the light



By **PASTOR ERIC OLSEN**  
*Petersburg Lutheran Church*

About a month ago the Christian tradition that I am a part of celebrated All Saints Sunday. Secularly we refer to this time as Halloween.

All Saints Day is a day to remember the faithful departed, those we loved and who have died believing and trusting in the grace of God through Jesus Christ. It's a day to remember the saints who have lived the most exemplary lives of faith, who have been faithful in times of struggle and suffering, who have been martyred because of the faith, or who simply gave their lives to Jesus in such amazing, humble, and compassionate ways that we want to be like them.

Or at least, we want other people to be like them, because we know we need more of them, but we're not so sure we want to be one of them. Not so sure we want to accept that struggle and suffering; not so sure we want to be that selfless; not so sure we have it in us to be so compassionate, and just and kind in this un-kind, un-compassionate, angry, hateful, and dangerous world.

This past year the community has lost such saints: to illness, to accidents, to addictions, to natural causes. Saints, folks who have touched

our lives. Those lives are given meaning by the One to whom we sing our Christmas Carols. The One born a humble birth so that we might be born anew to a nobler birth. The One who continues to draw star gazers to himself. The One who is the light of the world and calls us to be saints of light.

"There was a man sent from

God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world." John 1:6-9

May you be the saints of light in this community.



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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22:**  
10:00 AM Christmas Program

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, CHRISTMAS EVE:**  
4:00 PM Candlelight Service  
10:00 PM Candlelight Service

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## Get to know the month of January

January may be best known for resolutions, new beginnings and snowy weather. But there's plenty of other trivia tidbits that make the first month of the year stand out.

1. January is named for the Roman god Janus. Janus was the protector of gates and doorways. Janus was always depicted with two faces and purportedly could see into the past and into the future simultaneously.

2. Anglo-Saxons once called January "Wulfmonath," as it was the month when hungry wolves came scavenging closer to people's doors.

3. The month of January marks the end of the Christmas season. Twelfth Night on Janu-

ary 5, an English folk custom, involved toasting one another from a wassail bowl. Twelfth Night precedes the Christian Epiphany, which occurs on January 6, marking when the three Magi venerated and brought gifts to the infant Jesus, according to the New Testament gospels.

4. The first Monday in January is called Handsel Monday, according to Scottish custom. It was a time to give children and servants a small gift (handsel), with the intent of imparting good luck.

5. Many famous people were born during January, including famed statesman, inventor and scientist Benjamin Franklin,

French heroine Joan of Arc, singer Elvis Presley, and prize fighter Muhammad Ali.

6. January is a great time to get deep discounts on many different items, including garments and furniture, as stores traditionally start to reduce their winter inventories. January also is a time for linen "white" sales.

7. In the northern hemisphere, January tends to be the coldest month of the year. It should come as no surprise then that it is National Soup Month, as soup helps to chase away some of that chill.

8. People can view the Quadrantid Meteor Shower, which is a meteor shower that happens every January. The body responsible for producing the Quadrantids is an asteroid rather than comet fragments, which are the typical matter sources for meteor showers.

9. Each January, the United States honors Martin Luther King, Jr., who was a civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize recipient.

10. Garnet is the birthstone for January. The name comes from the Latin "garanatus," meaning "seed-like." It refers to the red seeds of the pomegranate.

11. January became the first month of the year (replacing March) when Roman king Numa Pompilius revised the Roman republican calendar during his reign from 715-673 BCE.

**GOD BLESS ALL LIVING CREATURES at CHRISTMASTIME**

*Our best wishes are with you and yours as we celebrate the Miracle of His birth. May your spirits be lifted by the beauty of the season, just as ours have been by the privilege of knowing good people like you. Happy Holidays and many thanks.*

**City of Kupreanof**

**Merry Christmas**  
**Thank you for your business**

**From the Petersburg Branch**  
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# Decorate with holiday aromas for the holidays

Holiday decor is as much about the sights and sounds as it is about the scents of the season. Few things evoke the holiday spirit as much as the aroma of fresh evergreen or spicy cinnamon and cloves. In-

corporating inviting aromas into holiday decor can make homes feel even more special.

Filling a home with fragrant decor takes a little ingenuity and planning. Here are some

ideas to incorporate the scents of the holiday season into your decor.

- Use a real Christmas tree.

An easy way to create a pine-like scent indoors is to select a real Christmas tree. If a fresh



Embrace delectable holiday scents in seasonal decor.

**a Savior is Born**

*“And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger.”*  
- Luke 2:7

**May you keep the spirit of Christmas in your heart all year round. We are thankful for your continued support and look forward to serving you in the new year.**

*Merry Christmas* FROM ALL OF US  
**Hammer & Wikan**

tree is not possible, fill a decorative basket with pine cones and evergreen boughs for that woody appeal.

- Create a seasonal scented simmer. Take to the stove to make a homemade air infusion from ingredients in and around the house. Simmer pine branches, citrus peels, vanilla, nutmeg, cinnamon, and whatever else can be placed in a pot or slow cooker with water. The scents will permeate the house for hours if enough water is added to the mixture.

- Make holiday sachets. Some of the same ingredients for the holiday simmer can be dried and sewn into sachets. Add ribbon and hang on real or artificial trees. Or tuck the

pouches into various areas around the house.

- Experiment with scented candles. Scented candles can be found at various stores during the holiday season. Select among popular holiday aromas like pine, cinnamon, apples, and Christmas cookie varieties.

- Utilize essential oils. Natural food stores and other retailers may sell essential oils, which can be diluted and sprayed on surfaces or into the air. Exercise caution around upholstery, or test for staining before use.

- Spend more time in the kitchen. Add delicious scents to the home by way of freshly baked goods or holiday meals. Nothing beats the smell of cookies right out of the oven, and the scents can linger for hours.

- Make beeswax ornaments. Add scented oils to melted beeswax and pour into molds. Hang these creations as ornaments on trees or in other areas of the home.

- Craft some “gingerbread” ornaments. A mixture of cinnamon, applesauce and glue can be used to make ornaments or gift tags that resemble gingerbread cookies, and these ornaments have more staying power than actual cookies.

- Design a pretty pomander. Stud an orange with cloves. Cut off the top of the orange and hollow out a place for a small tea light. The warmth of the flame will produce more scent.

Rich and inviting aromas can fill a home with the holiday spirit.

**BRIGHT WISHES AT CHRISTMAS**

THIS LITTLE GREETING IS TRIMMED WITH OUR GRATITUDE AND OUR BEST WISHES TOO... YOU'VE BRIGHTENED OUR YEAR WITH YOUR KIND ATTITUDE, IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO SERVE EACH OF YOU!

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

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**CELEBRATE THE MIRACLE**

MAY THE JOY AND WONDER OF CHRISTMAS FILL YOU WITH CONTENTMENT. THANK YOU FOR BEING SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART OF YEAR. YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND SUPPORT MEAN A LOT TO US.

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Sandi, Phil, Stuart, Rod, Lana & John

# Keep safety in mind when decorating for the holidays

Decorations help make the holiday season a magical time of year. Stores are awash in color and twinkling lights, and similar imagery is on display in private homes.

Designing holiday displays can be a great way for families to spend time together and kick off the celebration. In fact, ac-

ording to Electrical Safety Foundation International, around 90 percent of Americans decorate their homes for the holidays.

When trimming the tree and decorating this holiday season, families must keep safety in mind. A little planning and some precautionary measures

can ensure displays are enjoyed all season long. Travelers Insurance offers the following holiday decorating safety tips.

- Do not overload outlets. Plan displays according to the number and location of available outlets.
- Never exceed the maximum number of light strands

that can be attached together.

• Use lights and products that have been tested for safety. Certification marks like UL, ETL and CSA are from nationally recognized laboratories.

• LED lights should be used whenever possible. Such lights consume less energy and run cooler than other bulbs.

• The ESFI says candles start almost 50 percent of all decoration fires. Minimize the risk by using candles only when they can be monitored. Artificial candles can be used in place of real candles.

• Check for freshness in live trees. A fresh tree will last longer and is less of a fire hazard than an old tree.

• Place Christmas trees at least three feet away from all heat sources, including fireplaces and heaters.

• Use decorations that are non-combustible or made from flame-resistant materials.

• Pay attention to the age recommendations of decorations to

see if they can be used in homes with young children. Some items, however common, are choking or strangulation hazards.

• Avoid putting small, "mouth-sized" decorations near the ground or on lower limbs of trees, where young children can easily reach them.

• Exercise caution when hanging decorations at high heights. Make sure the ladder is secured and have a spotter who can hold the ladder and pass items up safely.

• Outdoor electric lights and decorations should be plugged into circuits protected by ground fault circuit interrupters, or GFCIs.

• Exercise caution when decorating near power lines that extend to the house.

• Keep hung stockings far away from open flames so they do not catch any errant embers.

These are just a few suggestions for decorating safely for the holiday season.



**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

*Petersburg Medical Center would like to extend our appreciation to our work family, patients, and community members. Thank you all for your kindness, support and generosity. Best wishes for a happy holiday season and a healthy New Year.*

**The Joy Janssen Clinic & Business office will be closed at noon on Christmas Eve & closed on Christmas day but will resume normal hours on Thursday December 26th. Emergency Services will be open.**

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Answer: Presents under a tree

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## Yes Virginia...

We take pleasure in answering at once thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of the Sun:

**DEAR EDITOR:**

I am 8 years old.

Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, 'If you see it in THE SUN it's so.'

Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

**VIRGINIA O'HANLON,  
115 WEST  
NINETY-FIFTH STREET.**

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VirginiaS. There would be no childlike faith

then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

(Editorial in the New York Sun, Sept. 21, 1897, by Francis P. Church)


## Dear Santa...



DEAR SANTA  
I WOULD LIKE:  
A NUTCRACKER  
AN UMBRELLA  
GLASS SLIPPERS  
DANCE OUTFITS  
THANK YOU.  
HOW ARE YOUR  
REINDEER?  
LOVE,  
ABBY




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by air or by sleigh,  
we hope your season's  
first-class all the way!*

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We sincerely appreciate your patronage and support*

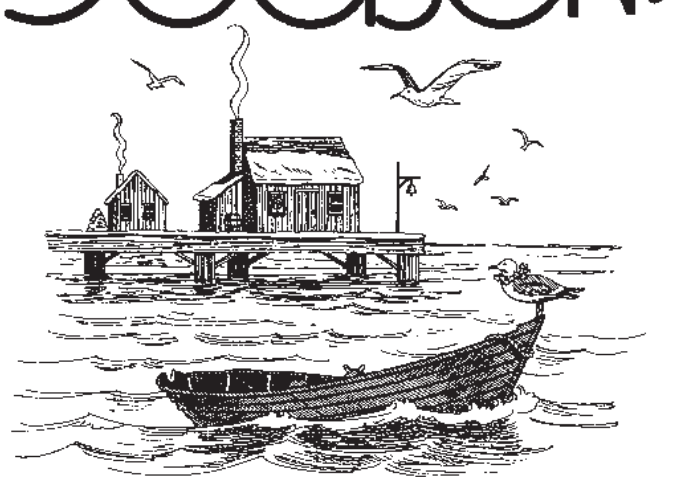
**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year  
from our entire Elks team!**

*Joy*  
**Spread It Around!**

In this season of revelry, we'd like to  
take a moment to thank all of you for your  
invaluable support. **Have a very Merry  
Christmas & a Happy New Year!**

**Petersburg  
Business Services**  
Sammy & Scott

Have A  
Wonderful  
Holiday  
Season!



Christmas greetings from our crew to yours.  
We'd be lost at sea without friends like you.  
We appreciate your cooperation this past year!

**Petersburg  
Port Authority**  
Advisory Board & Harbor Crew

## Have a Joyful Season

Here's hoping your holiday season is a truly memorable one. We know we're filled with fond memories as we recall the many kind people we've had the privilege to serve this year.

Merry Christmas!

From the gang at

**PETERSBURG  
MOTORS, INC.**



## 3 strategies for enjoying a safe New Year's Eve

New Year's Eve is one of the most festive nights of the year.

Counting down to a new year while simultaneously saying goodbye to the current year provides grounds for celebration for millions of people across the globe.

New Year's celebrations vary depending on where the partying is taking place, but it's common for people to check their inhibitions at the door on December 31. That can make for a fun evening, but also puts celebrants in jeopardy of making bad decisions or confronting the consequences of others' poor decisions. Adhering to three simple safety strategies can increase the chances that this New Year's Eve is memorable for all the right reasons.

### 1. Travel in packs.

Most people who are out and about on New Year's Eve are focused solely on having fun. However, some criminals see New Year's Eve as an opportunity to prey on unsuspecting men and women who may not be as alert to danger as they are on other nights of the year. For example, a recent report from Australia's Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research found that the number of violent offenses between 9 p.m. and 3 a.m. on New Year's Eve is nine times higher than it is on other nights of the year. By hitting the town with friends and staying with those friends throughout the night, New Year's Eve revelers can make themselves less vulnerable to criminals.

### 2. Don't overindulge in alcohol.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration notes that people who consume alcohol begin experiencing a loss of judgment when their blood alcohol concentration, or BAC, reaches .02. That means it only takes a relatively small amount of alcohol before people's judgment begins to falter, and judgment only suffers further with each additional drink. The pressure to overindulge in alcohol on New Year's Eve can be considerable, but revelers should avoid situations where they might be tempted to drink too

much. Such overindulgence only makes people vulnerable to bad decisions and even criminals looking to prey on inebriated victims.

### 3. Don't get behind the wheel.

Even people who avoid alcohol on New Year's Eve are vulnerable to potentially unsafe highways. That's because everyone shares the roads, and drivers never know who else will be on the road when New Year's Eve festivities end and everyone goes home. The U.S. Department of Transportation notes that, over the last half-decade, an average of 300 people died each year in drunk driving crashes in the week between Christmas and New Year's Day. To avoid becoming such a statistic, New Year's revelers can celebrate at home and invite others to stay overnight.

New Year's Eve is a fun but potentially dangerous night. However, a few simple safety strategies can make sure New Year's Day conversations are all about the fun from the night before.

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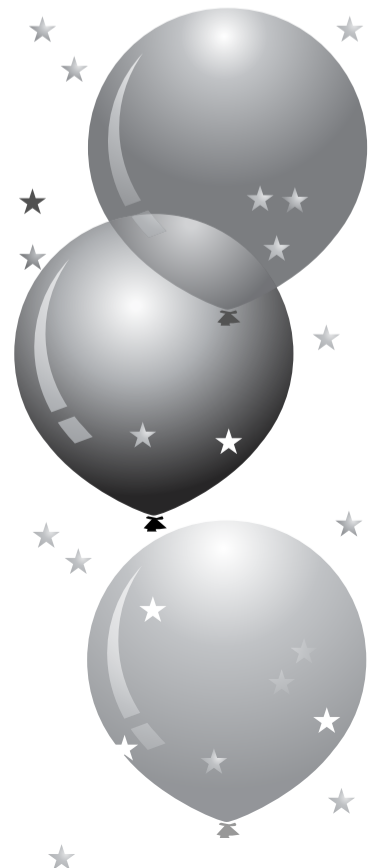


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We've grown over the past 60 years because of customers like you.

Thank you for your business and continued loyalty.

We wish you a blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year!



# Prevent learning loss over winter break

Children await winter's arrival for many reasons. Those who live in cold climates may be anxious to see the snow and enjoy sledding or throwing snowballs with friends. The season also is prime time for magical holidays, like Chanukah, Christmas and New Year's Eve.

Another eagerly anticipated component of winter is the break from school that typically coincides with late-December holidays. Many children are often off from school from December 20 through January 6. Before school lets out for winter recess, lessons also tend to be shortened to make time for the many fun events that take place in schools to mark the holiday season — everything from sing-a-longs to plays to craft fairs.

The education experts at Brainly — the world's largest peer-to-peer learning community — indicate time outside of the classroom can have a big impact on students. Even though the bulk of learning loss occurs over summer vacation, it can still be measurable during other school breaks. Students should be urged to keep their brains sharp even as they focus on fun and family during the holidays. Here are some enjoyable ways to ensure learning continues over winter break.

- Connect with the teachers. Parents can ask their children's teachers if there are any specific deficits their child is experiencing and whether he or she can recommend worksheets or online learning apps to help close any gaps.

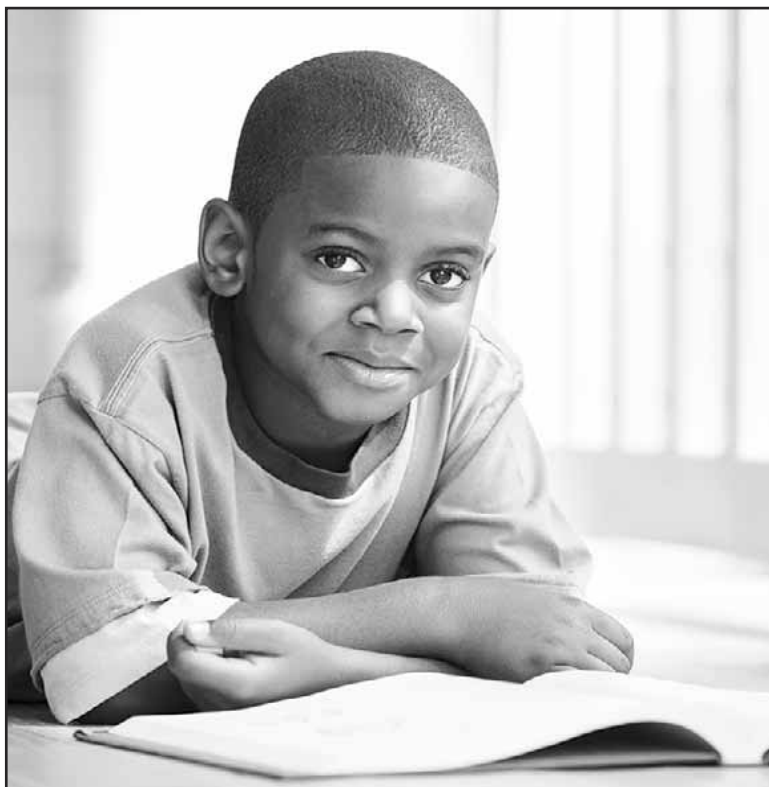
- Take an educational trip. Use the break to visit a museum or historical landmarks in another town or city. Concerts or even nature walks can stimulate the brain as well.

- Visit a science center. Plan a visit to a museum geared toward science. The National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C., has educational offerings, as do places like the Exploratorium in San Francisco, Museum of Science in Boston, the Arkansas Museum of Discovery, or the Liberty Science Center in New Jersey.

- Build learning into holiday activities. Ask youngsters to count Christmas cards or multiply ingredients in cookie recipes. Discuss the history of holiday traditions and customs. Have children read stories synonymous with the holidays so they learn some new words as they celebrate.

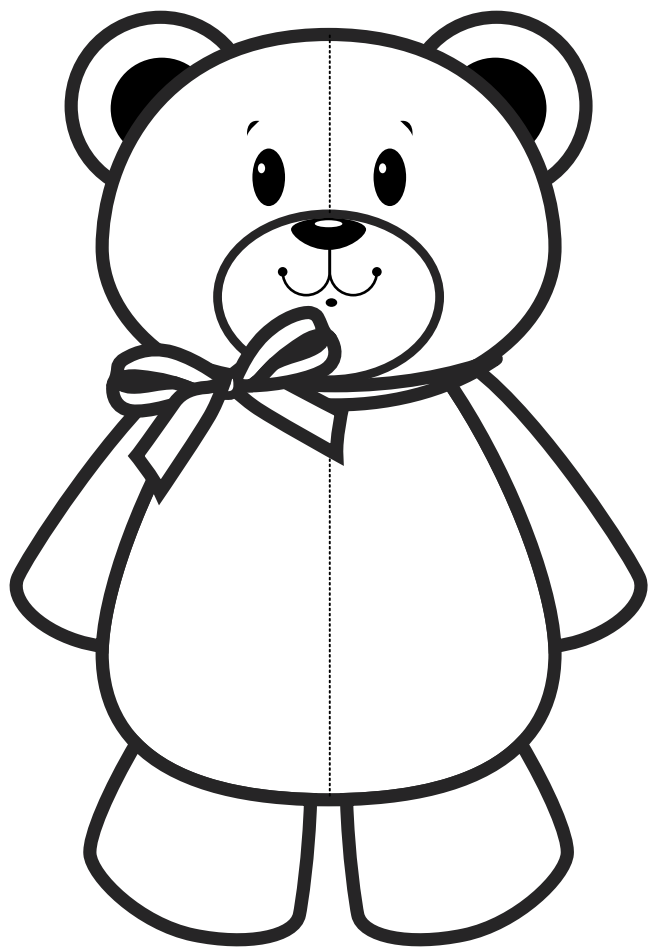
- Fill stockings with books. Give kids a few age- and level-appropriate books for the holidays. Encourage time away from toys and devices for an hour a day so they can catch up on reading.

With some focus on fun educational activities, children can prevent learning loss during winter recess and return to school with sharp minds ready for more learning.



## Creative Coloring

Celebrate favorite childhood toys. Color in this picture to create your own masterpiece.



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Ole, Eloise & Brian

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Nancy & all the Staff

# SEASONS GREETINGS WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

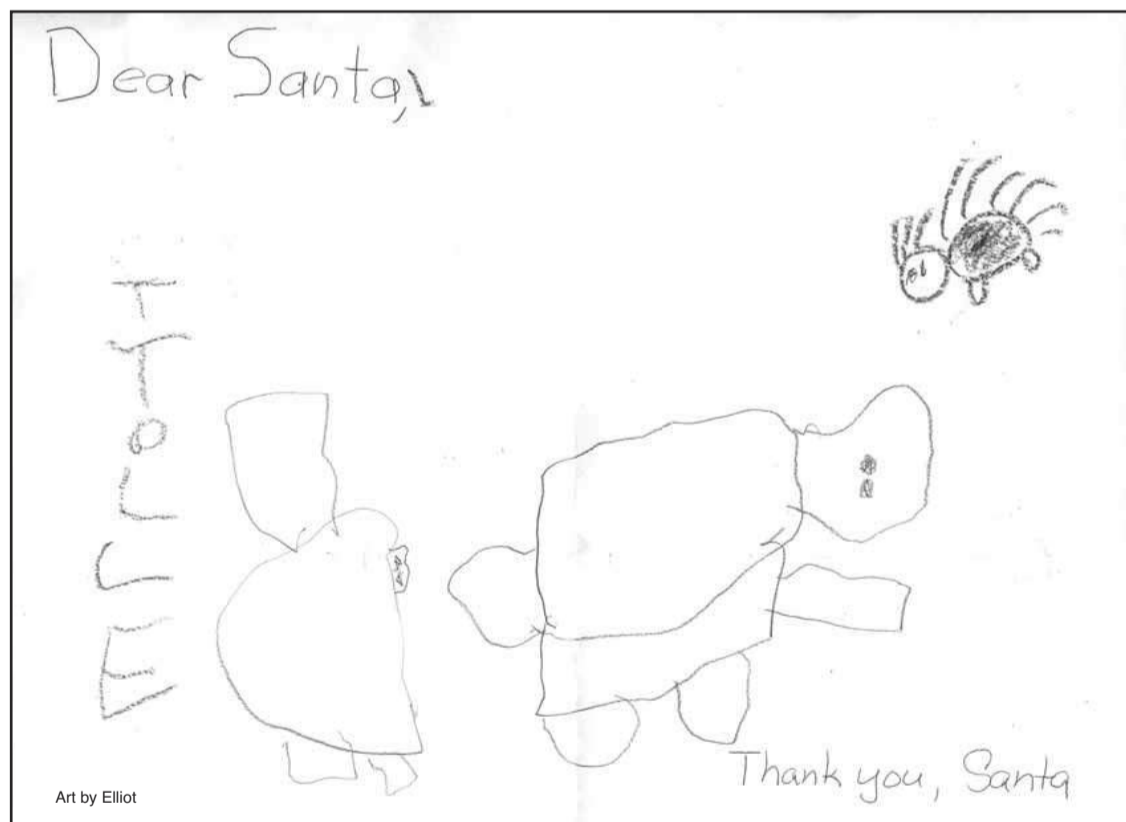
## WORDS

- CANDLES
- CAROLS
- CELEBRATE
- CHANUKAH
- CHOIR
- CHRISTMAS
- COUNTDOWN
- DECORATE
- DREIDEL
- EGGNOG
- ENTERTAIN
- FAMILY
- FEAST
- FESTIVE
- FRIENDS
- GATHERING
- HOLIDAY
- HOLLY
- HOSTESS
- HUGS
- ILLUMINATE
- JOYOUS
- MIRACLE
- MISTLETOE
- NEW YEAR
- PRESENTS
- RESOLUTION
- SHOPPING
- SMILE
- SNOW
- SURPRISE
- TINSEL
- TOAST
- TREE
- WINTER
- YULE

Answers revealed on page 22

*Merry  
Christmas  
&  
Happy New Year*

**Mill Creek Bookkeeping**  
Eloise Whitethorn



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**"Twas The Night Before Christmas..."**

*Down by the sea,  
And all the gifts were wrapped and put 'neath the tree,  
But the rule of the house was to wait until dawn,  
When Santa had been there already and then gone.  
Here's hoping that you find your most wanted toy,  
And we send you our thanks and we wish you great joy!*


From Dave, Gene & the gang at

**Trident SEAFOODS**

**A VERY MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS!**  
Thanks for seeing us this year!

**Happy Holidays**

Dr. Wayne T. Hagerman  
and the Sitka Vision Clinic Staff



**Another Christmas Is MOVING IN!**

The spirit is moving us to say,  
"Hope you enjoy a grand holiday!"  
Wherever you go, live, work or play,  
Our best wishes are with you all of the way.  
*Thank you for choosing us*




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**Happy Haulidays**

Bright holiday wishes to the best people around: our friends and customers! We wish you all the best at this special time of year.  
**Thanks a ton for choosing us.**

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**Greetings to All**

Warmest Yuletide wishes to you and yours.  
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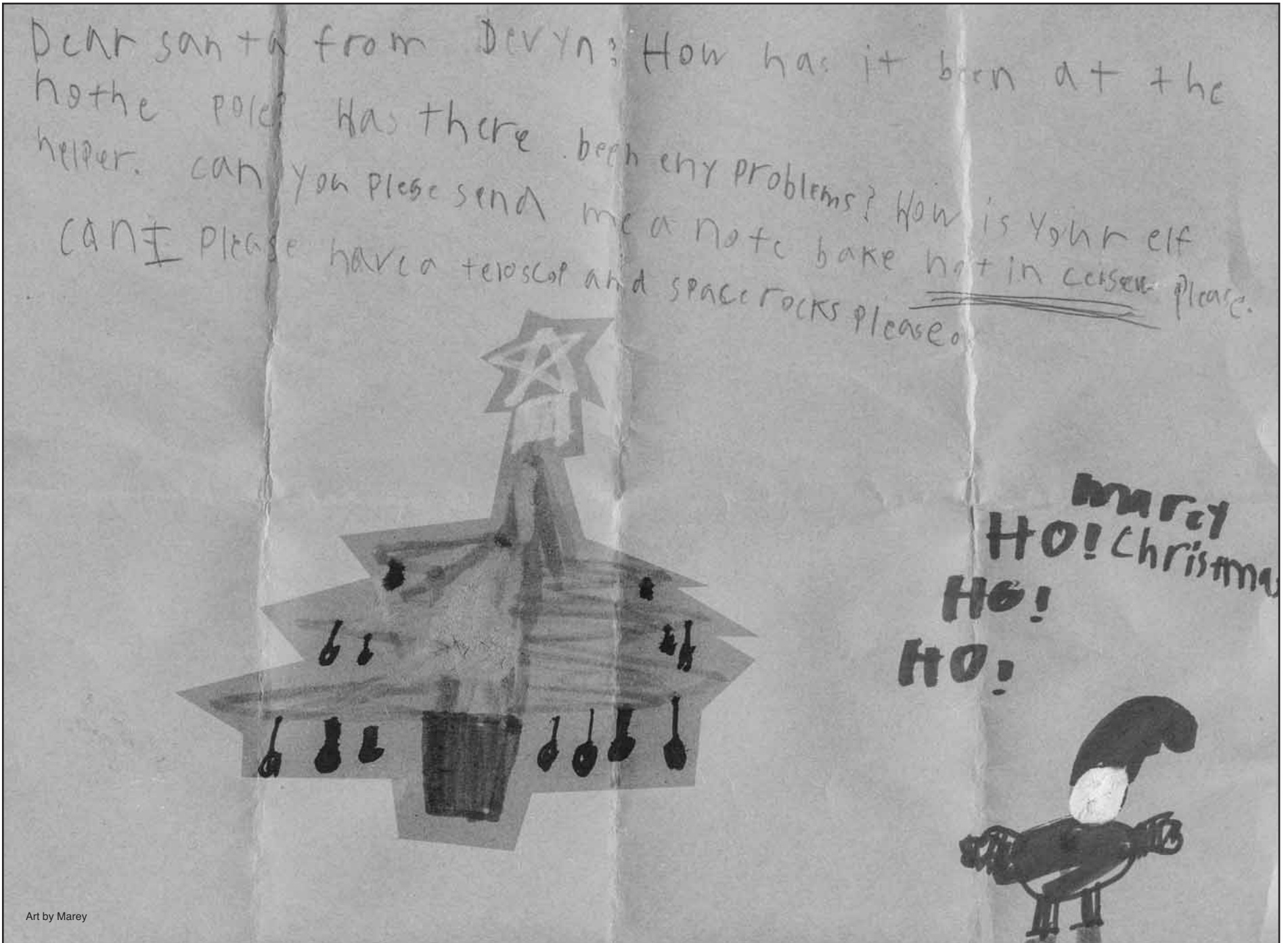
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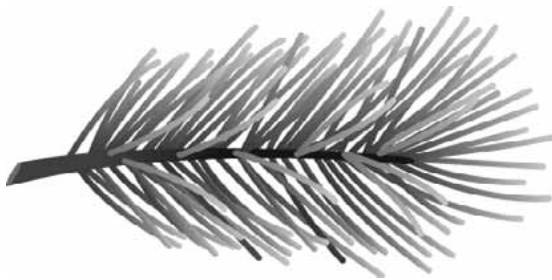


## Clean up pesky pine needles

Despite how well you may tend to Christmas trees and wreaths, you can expect some pine needles to find their way onto your floors during the holiday season. Such needles can become imbedded in carpeting or stuck in socks and furniture, proving to be quite a nuisance. Attempting to vacuum them all up can be frustrating, as some vacuums simply do not have the suction power to handle all of those heavy needles. Plus, they can become lodged in the inner cavities of the vacuum and clog it. To lessen the mess, wrap a tree bag around the base of the Christmas tree when you are setting it up and hide it under the tree skirt. This bag will catch many of the needles that fall off during the season. Each day, sweep any needles that make it to the floor so they are not tracked around the house throughout the month of December. Think about making a homemade sticky needle

catcher. Wrap duct tape around your hands or a broom with the sticky side facing out, then pat areas of the floor where needles have accumulated, and the needles will likely stick to the tape. If you want the evergreen aroma to last a little longer in your

home, place collected pine needles in a cloth satchel and make a potpourri bag for an inexpensive air freshener.



God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life.  
John 3:16

In Appreciation of your loyalty and support, best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Diamanté**  
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*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men*

- Luke 2:14

We are so blessed to live in a community that supports local businesses. Thank you Petersburg, we are very grateful for you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!  
**Alaska Floorcovering**

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(Spending Christmas week with family)

All the best!

With warm wishes and gratitude for your continued patronage.

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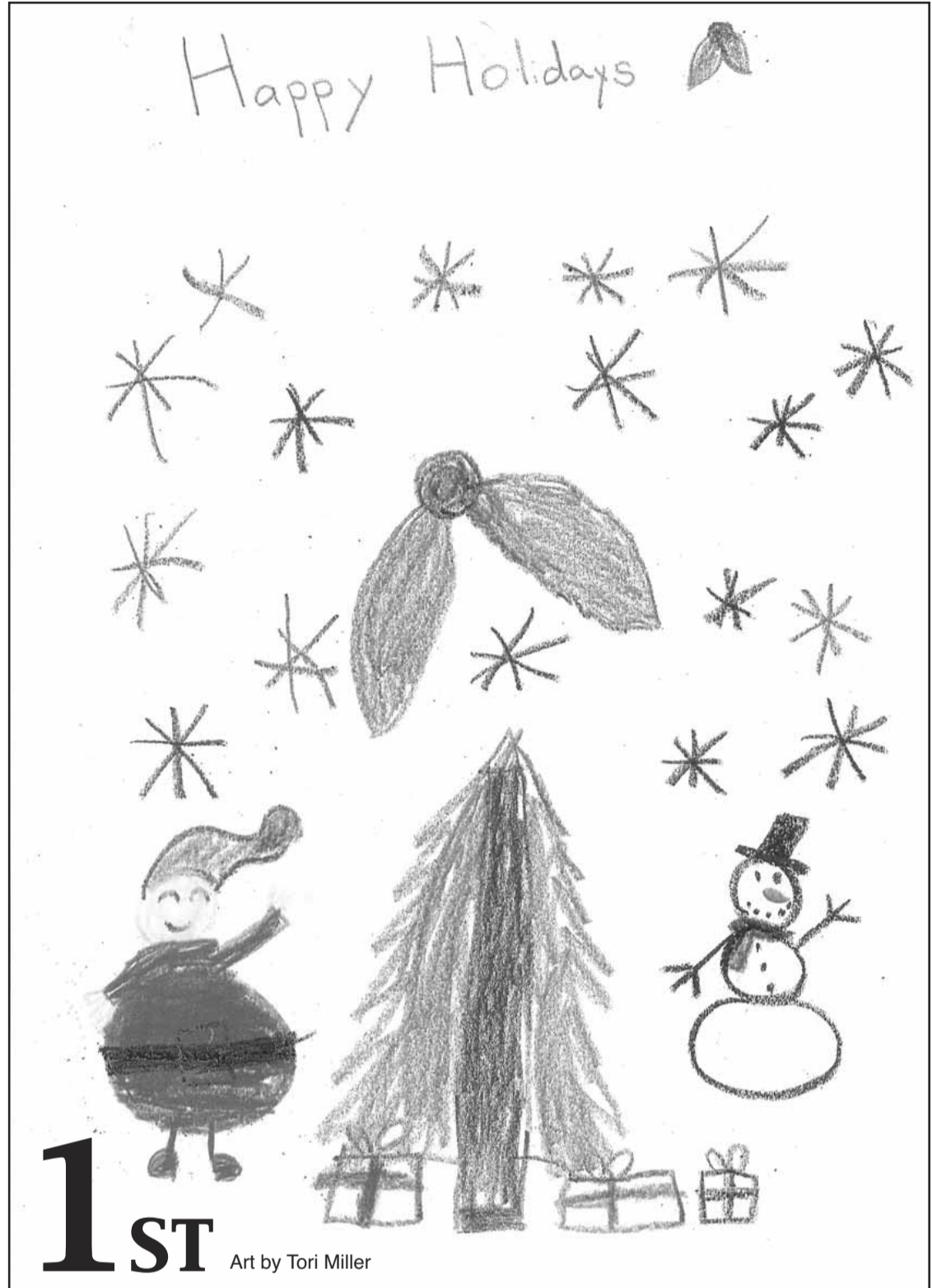
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# Police Station Postcard Contest Winners



**2ND** Art by Mia Wood



**1ST** Art by Tori Miller

**Merry  
Christmas and a  
Happy, Healthy  
New Year**

Thank you for your continued support during another year of providing eye care to the wonderful people of Petersburg. I am wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the New Year bring all of you good health, joy, and peace.

**Petersburg Vision Center  
Dr. Deborah L. Geering-Fend, O.D.**

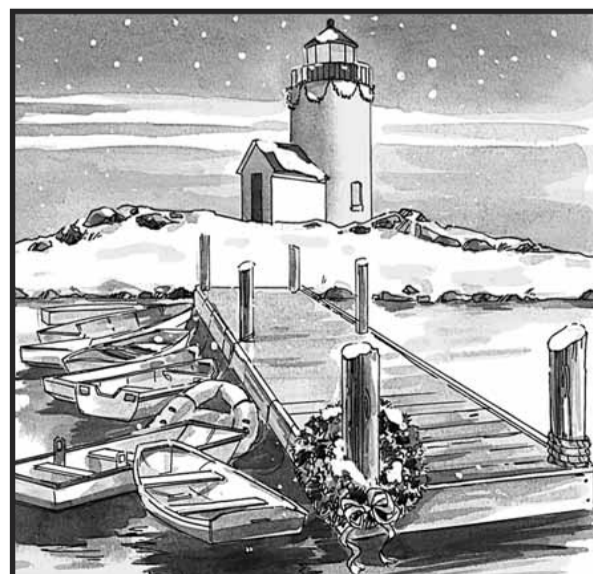


**3RD**  
Art by Sailor Odegard

Wishing our community a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year!

Please remember to *"Look Local First"* by supporting the local businesses who support the area where we live, work and play!

**PETERSBURG**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

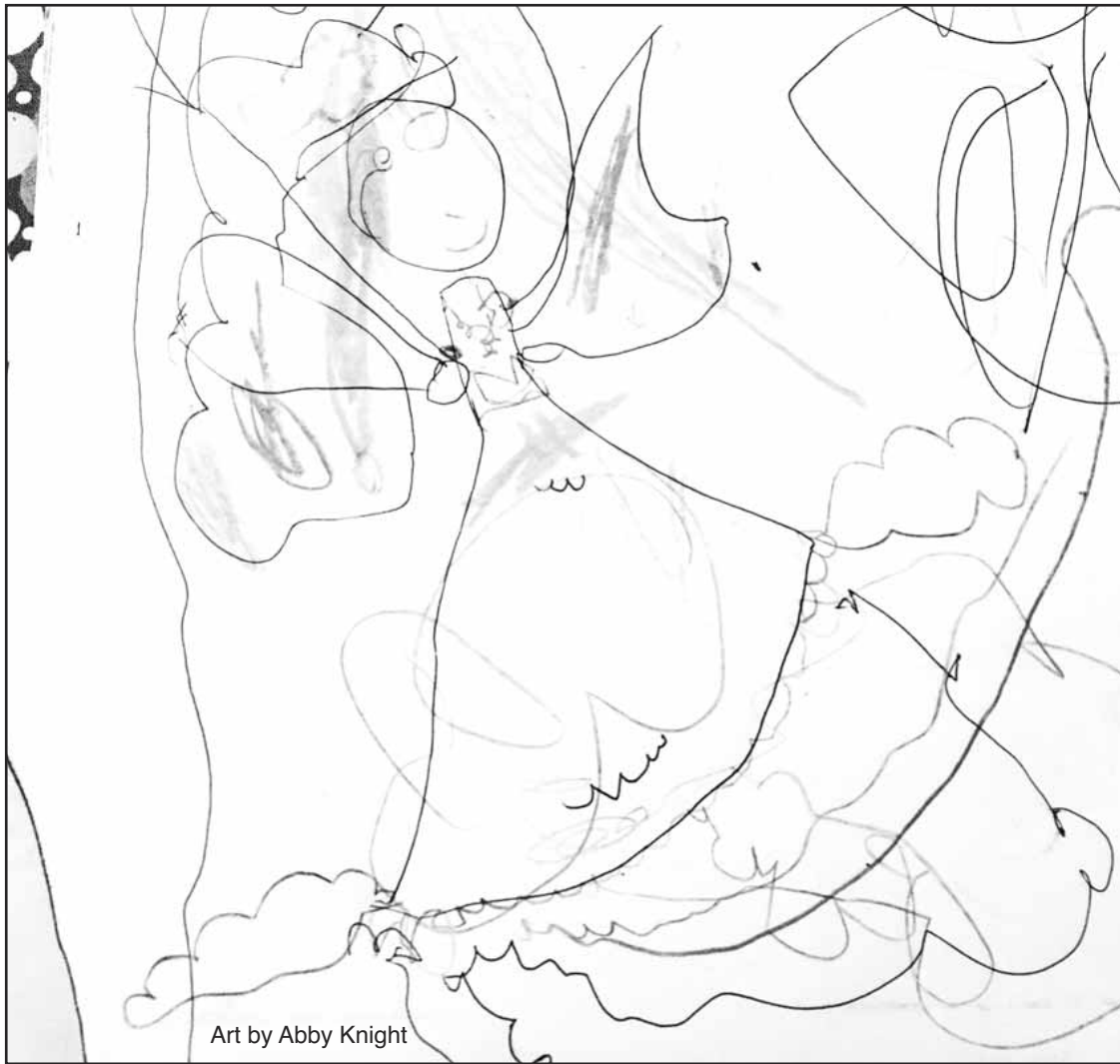


## Merry Christmas

From the Crew at

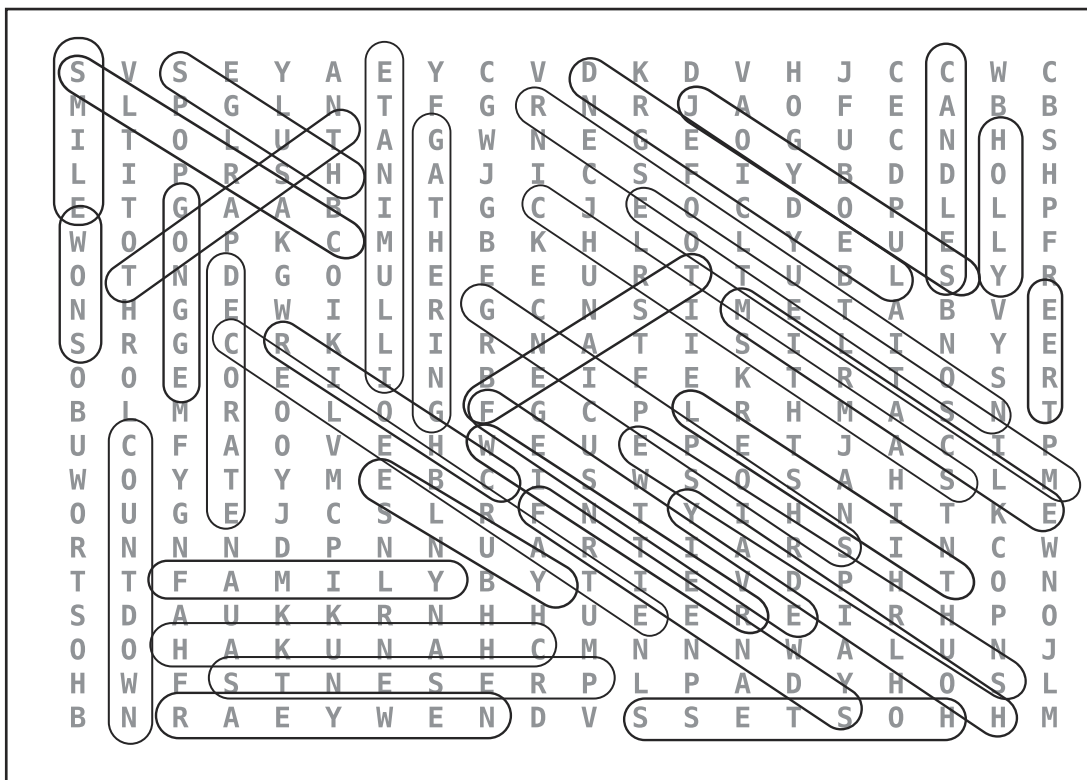


**Coastal Cold Storage**



## Word Search Answers

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**Peace & JOY**  
 A great combination.  
 Thanks, friends!

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 Doug, Kathi & Family

**A Message to Our Valued Customers**

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**May Your Days Be Merry & Bright!**

With gratitude in our hearts, we bid you a most joyous and memorable holiday season. We know we will never forget the goodwill and friendship you've shown us. Noel!

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 772-9246

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Dr. Lister, Sandy, Cherise, Donna, Sydney & Natalie

*A* NOTE of THANKS

...And a chorus of best wishes to our many noteworthy customers and friends.

**Helse**

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*With Our Gratitude At The Holiday Season*

Deepest thanks to you, our friends and neighbors, for all your support.

**ROCKY'S MARINE INC**

Casey, Holli, Cadence, Devyn, Blake, Carson, Logan, and Bjorn

**Merry Christmas!**

We've gathered round to thank you for your valued patronage. Have a joyous holiday season!

**Arrowhead LP Gas**

# The origins of classic Christmas favorites

Scores of artists have released Christmas albums or holiday-infused singles during their careers. Christmas music can be broken down into two

distinct categories: traditional hymns and carols and popular secular songs.

Some believe that the religious standards have been

passed down since the earliest days of Christianity. However, that is not so. Before the 12th century, music wasn't typically included in religious services,

and even then music was included only sporadically. In present day, religious tunes typically are not sung until Christmas Eve and thereafter until the Epiphany.

Many of the oldest Christmas songs are not old at all. Many popular carols sung today are less than 200 years old. The world's most popular Christmas carol was originally a poem penned in 1816 by Austrian Catholic priest Josef Mohr. Two years later, Mohr asked Franz Xaver Gruber, an organist and local schoolteacher, to put his words to music. The resulting song, 'Silent Night,' was not translated into English for 40 years.

'Hark the Herald Angels Sing' also originated from a poem and had the original opening line of, 'Hark how all the welkin rings.' The subsequent version was more catchy, and the faster-paced accompaniment was courtesy of Felix Mendelssohn, added 100 years after the poem was written.

'Jingle Bells,' a nonreligious tune that has become synonymous with Christmas, was not originally written as a Christmas tune. In fact, the song was intended to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Christmas music is diverse, with lively tunes, modern interpretations and religious classics enjoyed through the years.



## MERRY CHRISTMAS 2019..... AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

by Sue Paulsen  
(to the tune of Up On the Housetop)

Hey Ocean Beauty, what's up next?  
Cruise ship sewage treatment would be great  
We'll live as long as the Charles T  
Now that TU hardware will be gluten free  
Ho Ho Yikes, quite a drought  
Ho Ho Except when it's not!  
Duck when Mark Roberts swings the club  
And give Petro's building a darn good scrub!

Here's to the budget, Dunleavy  
Fix some ferries for you and me  
Dial back the PFD'S big curve  
Keep some cash in the budget reserve  
Ho Ho Ho will recall win?  
Goodbye Donna Alcuin  
Let's hold the special sessions here  
We'll use our extra tuffs from the rear!

Here's to a new year of politics!  
Let's beware of Russian tricks  
Don't draw new lines on the hurricane map  
Let's leave Greenland where it's at.  
Zelensky & Sondland, Rudy too  
Was that quid pro quo from you?  
It'll be a circus, we will see  
Next time let's not go fact free!

Big Happy New Year USA!  
It's been tough but we're OK  
Now we'll pay college athletes, too  
Just don't pay to get them into school!  
Warren, Biden, Buttigeg in this dash  
Bernie, Bloomberg AND HIS CASH!  
We don't care who it will be  
As long as RUSSELL WILSON'S MVP!



Season's  
greetings

Please join us for  
**Julebukking**  
Tuesday, December 24  
11AM to 1PM

**We will be closing at 1PM**  
so our employees can enjoy the  
Julebukking festivities!

And we'll be closed Wednesday Dec. 25  
in celebration of Christmas

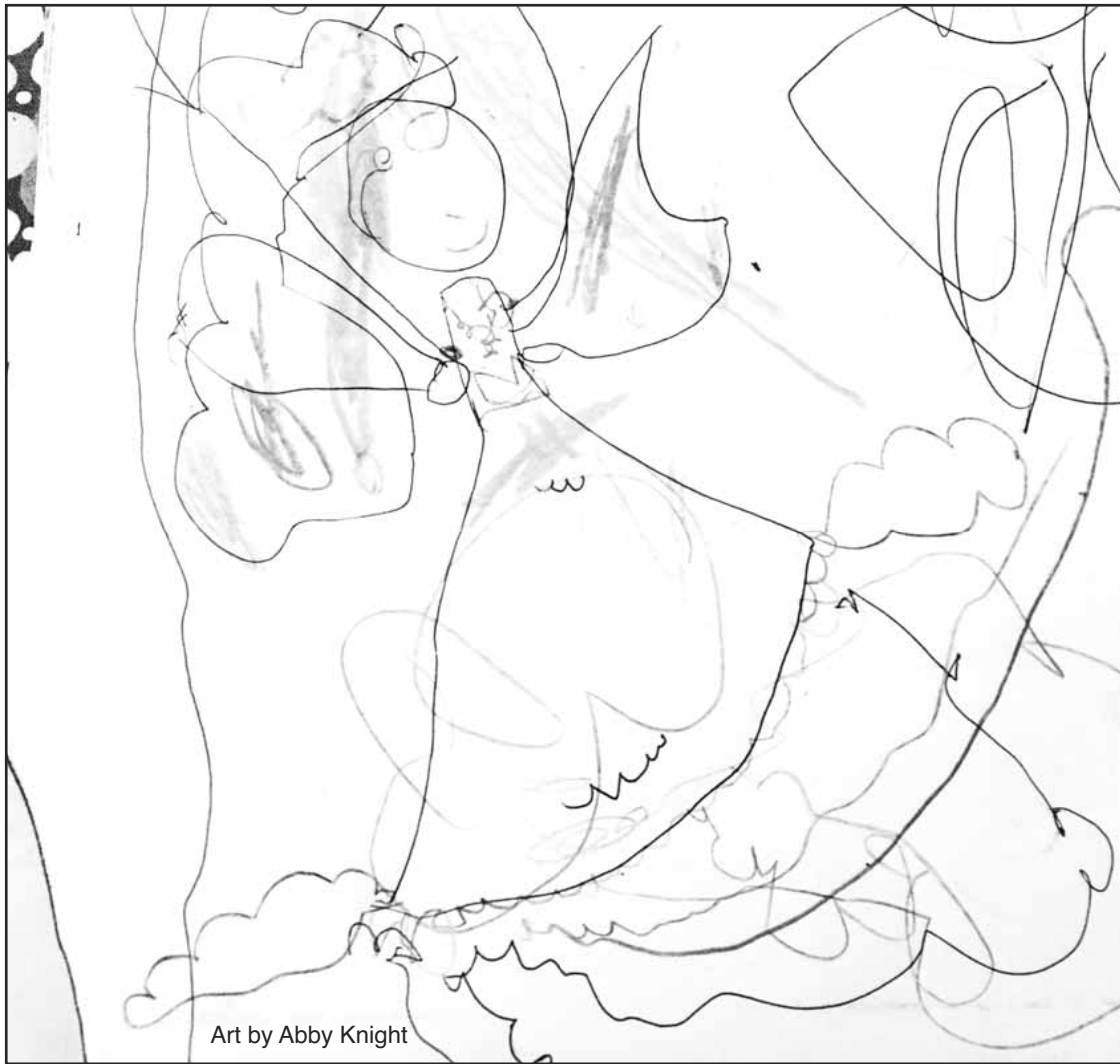


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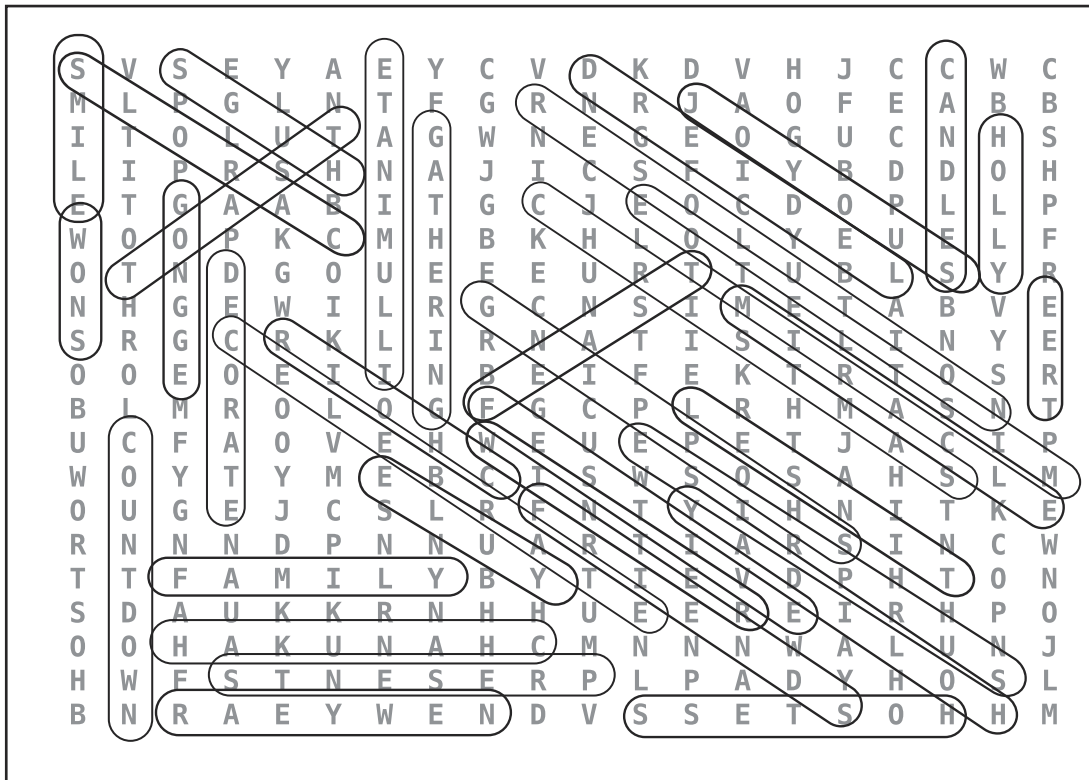
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**Peace & JOY**  
 A great combination.  
 Thanks, friends!

**Nordic Air, LLC**  
 Doug, Kathi & Family

**A Message to Our Valued Customers**

We'd like to say thanks, and best wishes too. For making our year so special, we're grateful to all of you!

**FURUNO GARMIN**

**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year From Our Entire Team!**

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**May Your Days Be Merry & Bright!**

With gratitude in our hearts, we bid you a most joyous and memorable holiday season. We know we will never forget the goodwill and friendship you've shown us. Noel!

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**Nordic House**  
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*A* NOTE of THANKS

...And a chorus of best wishes to our many noteworthy customers and friends.

**Helse**

**Happy New Year! Thanks For Your Support!**

Winter Hours 10:30a - 3:30p

*With Our Gratitude At The Holiday Season*

Deepest thanks to you, our friends and neighbors, for all your support.

**ROCKY'S MARINE INC**

Casey, Holli, Cadence, Devyn, Blake, Carson, Logan, and Bjorn

**Merry Christmas!**

We've gathered round to thank you for your valued patronage. Have a joyous holiday season!

**Arrowhead LP Gas**



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# *Happy Holidays!*

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