



NORTH STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH

ADAM Men's Conference Meeting TODAY
December 8th in Dining Room

DON'T' LET SANTA STEAL CHRISTMAS

The history of Santa Clause is less clean than one might think. Yes, in the 4th century, a man named St. Nicholas lived near Turkey and was known for giving things away. This is where the fairy tale that is Santa Clause gets its roots. But things have gotten elaborately embellished over the years. Why does this calorically challenged man come in through the chimney?

Wouldn't there be far more economical ways to get the job done, especially considering that he sees and knows everything? The modern-day story of Santa Clause is a mix of multiple traditions and stories that have grown in popularity over the years. There is another myth that originated in Germany with the winter solstice known as The Krampus. While Santa is known for giving good children presents, Krampus was a half goat, half Demon figure that would come down the chimney and kidnap bad children, even dragging some to hell. He carried a large sack on his back that he could stuff the children in after beating them with his club of birch branches. The modern-day Santa Clause has become a mixture of the St. who blessed people and gave lots of stuff away and the demon who stole kids and dragged them to hell. While I see the attempt at making Christmas fun and exciting for kids through the story of Santa Claus, I will spend the next few weeks writing short articles on why we, as Christians, should stay away from the story of Santa. This season is exciting without the man in the red suit. We are celebrating the incarnation. This is the season of remembering when God purposefully became a man, came to save His people, and gave them eternal life. That's a much better story.

Hope Renewed CHRISTmas Celebration

THIS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH AT 6:00PM

This is a CHRISTmas celebration for all ages; bring the whole family. We will be eating together with a catered dinner of stuffed chicken breast. This will be followed by some fun & entertainment.

We need a **head count** for the caterer **TODAY**, so please sign up.

If you plan to bring cookies in, please bring them between 5:30-8:00p.m. Thursday or come early on Friday around 5:30 so we can get the cookie table set up. Any questions, please see Sue Wolski.



Families of North Street

Don't forget to join us the **THIS WEDNESDAY** of every month.

~Dinner is at 6:00pm, followed by Bible Study & fun for the kids.

There is something for all ages.

***December 11th *January 8th *February 12th *March 12th *April 9th**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Worship 5:30 Bible Study	6:30 Men's Bible Study	6:30 Women's Bible Study	6:30 Rooted 6:30 Psalms Study & Prayer	10:30 Senior Bible Study 5:30 Bell Choir Practice 7:00 20's & 30's Bible Study	7:00 Friday Bible Study	5:00 Community Meal (2nd & 3rd of every month)

If you are in need to be let into the church, please contact: Terry or Shannon Hartman, Pastor Jake, Dennis Muir or Tammy Parasida.