



## DEAR CM FAMILY AND TEAM,

*To everything there is a time and season. As one season in CM comes to a close, a new one begins as Melanie ends her time as CM Director and takes on a new role as full time faculty at Blue Ridge Community College in January. She will be teaching in the education department with past CM volunteer Shelah Combs, teaching future teachers. Although this is a big change for children's ministry, we look to God for direction and next steps. Please be in prayer through this transition and pray for Jill as she continues in her role as CM assistant.*

*Melanie & Jill*

## WELCOME TO CHILDREN'S MINISTRY!

We are thrilled to welcome new members to the CM family. Stop by, introduce yourself and say hello to:

Jessica Ballance - 9 am 1/2/3rd grade girls  
 Wesley Ledford - 9 am 1/2/3rd grade boys  
 Michelle Kuhnen - 9 am Prek/K  
 Janae, Abbie, Madeline Seneker - 9 am babies/toddlers  
 Courtney Meyer - 10:45 am baby/toddlers  
 Olya Shipino - 10:45 am babies/toddlers  
 Mary Wilken - 10:45 am babies/toddlers

## LITURGY IN BLUE

On Sunday evening, December 2nd, everyone is invited to gather for a special service acknowledging grief, suffering, and loss especially at this time entering into the holiday season. We look to God for our comfort and hope, while acknowledging that life and circumstances are often hard. If you are not in a season of grief/loss, come join those who are and hear the hope of the Gospel in a new light. Childcare will be provided birth to 3rd grade. Please let Melanie or Jill know if you'll be needing childcare (helpful, but not required).

## APPRECIATION BRUNCH DECEMBER 9

Everyone is invited to room 306-307 anytime 8:45-11:30 to enjoy our annual CM volunteer appreciation brunch as well as visit and "say thanks" to Melanie and Jenn for their work in children's ministry. Although Jenn left the team last summer, many of you didn't get the chance to express your appreciation. Mark your calendars and come hungry! We look forward to spending time together.

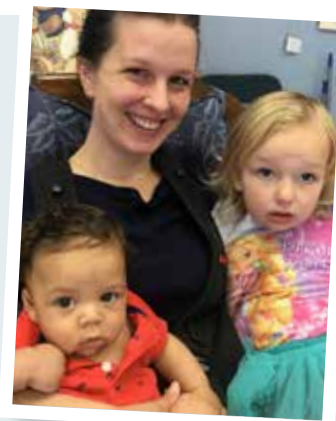
## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- December 2** 5:00-6:00 pm, Liturgy in Blue service
- December 9** 8:45-11:30 am CM Appreciation Brunch and Thanks to Melanie & Jenn
- December 23** Prek/K through 5th graders, in service with family (no class)
- December 24** Services 3:00 pm & 4:30 pm
- December 31** Prayer Walk 6:00 pm-12:30 am (Education bldg.) Drop-in any time.



## IN MEMORY AND HONOR OF ALLISON & SETH

Grace Mills River and Children's Ministry grieve with the Rayl and Donaldson families at the sudden homegoing of Allison (Rayl) Bailey and Seth Donaldson. Both Allison and Seth were involved in Children's Ministry. Allison helped with childcare for various Bible studies and meetings over the years, taught the 3-year-old class, Wednesday evening classes, and was a frequent sub in the baby/toddler rooms. Seth came up through CM as a student, helped spread playground mulch, pitched in with many "odd jobs" that were much needed, and helped get our Education building ready for use.



## FAVORITE CM MEMORIES

Melanie has enjoyed being a part of Children's Ministry for 12 1/2 years. These are some of the highlights through the years:

Lindsey Downer loved on children every week for many years.



Swim party (long ago)

Art Camp



David Todd and his "alternative" teaching methods!



Scott and Brad worked hard on our playground



Mr. Glen loved his 3-year-olds



Hope and Faith loved when Miss Gail got out the shaving cream!



Family fun at Windy Gap



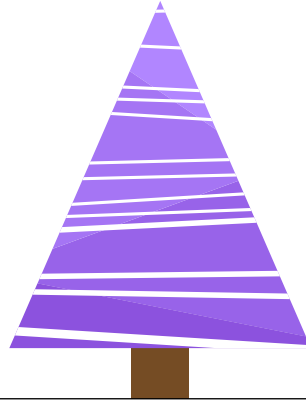
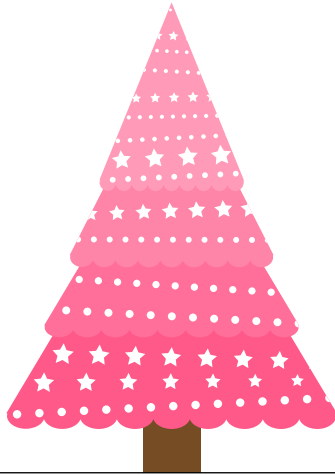
One of the CM advisory teams— what a great help!



Fall Family Picnic with Annalyse and Abby Meyer (long ago)



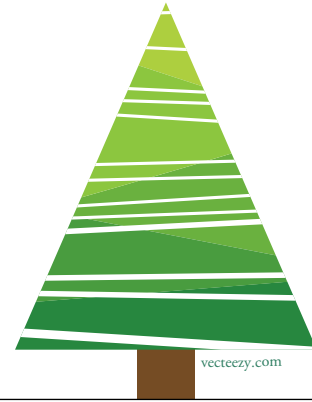
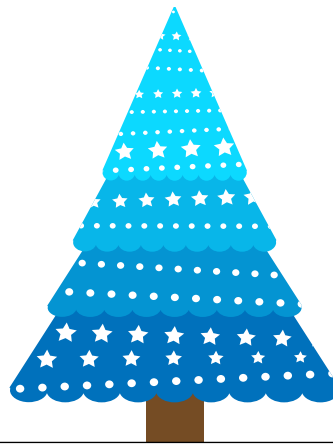
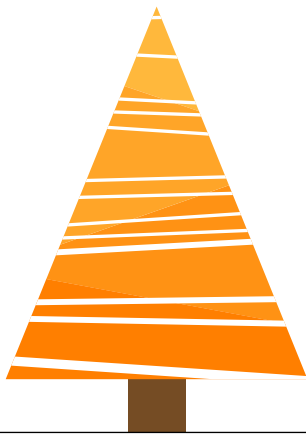
Wednesday nights were so much fun, building relationships, learning new skills, and learning about Jesus.



# 9:00 am

Thank you for serving our Grace family! Please attend CM prayer meeting at 8:45 in room 144.

CLASS	1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK	5TH WEEK December 30
<b>WELCOME TABLE</b>				Beth Davey (D)	
<b>FLOATER</b>					
<b>BABIES/ TODDLERS/2s</b>	Lee Hunt Amanda Hunt	Philip Burleson Lisa Burleson	Janae Seneker Abbie/Madeline (Y)	Diane White Warner White (Y)	Matt Roark Kelly Roark
<b>BLUEBIRDS</b>	Sheryl Mathis (D) Matt Ballance Holly Riley (J/F) Molly MacGregor	Rachel Mathis Marlene Roden	Matt Tondra (D/F) Sarah Tondra (D/F) Matt Ballance (J) Molly MacGregor	Rachel Mathis Matt Ballance (J) Marlene Roden (F)	
<b>PRE K/K LIONS</b>	Micki Jensen Bella Peterson (Y) Michaela McGregor	Michelle Kuhnen Debbie Bound	Gail Rachow (D) Jennifer Young (D/F) Jean/Jake Jacobsen (J) Michaela MacGregor Davis Young (F)	Michelle Kuhnen (J/F) Beth Davey (J/F)	Sue Jacques Michelle Kuhnen
<b>1ST/2ND/3RD GIRLS</b>	Alexe' Weymouth Jessica Ballance	Alexe' Weymouth Natalie Rockley	Alexe' Weymouth Jessica Ballance	Jessica Ballance (J/F) Genell Allmond (J/F)	Jessica Ballance Genell Allmond
<b>1ST/2ND/3RD BOYS</b>	Kim Thompson Wesley Ledford	Kim Thompson Andy Weymouth Mark Rockley	Kim Thompson Ben Young (D/F)	Kim Thompson (J/F) Larry Lewison (J)	Kim Thompson
<b>4TH /5TH BOYS/GIRLS</b>	Jim Noel Alicia Greene (D/J)	Jim Noel Alicia Greene (D/J)	Jim Noel Alicia Greene (D)	Jim Noel (J/F)	Jim Noel Alicia Greene (D)



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# 10:45 am

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CLASS	1ST WEEK	2ND WEEK	3RD WEEK	4TH WEEK	5TH WEEK December 30
<b>WELCOME TABLE</b> 10:15-11:00	Brenda Purvis	Lisa Smith	Pat Johnson	Beth Davey (D)	
<b>FLOATER</b>					
<b>BABIES/ TODDLERS/2s</b>	Mary Jo VanDalen Coco VanDalen Courtney Meyer	Toni Owen Kallie Owen (Y) Ella Lewison (Y/D) Katherine Grady (Y/J) Bella Peterson (Y/F)	Martha Dotti Maggi Dotti Savanna Lafferty (D/F) Ella Lewison (J)	Miri Gregory (D) Teresa Morgan (J) Lori Bowles Emily Bowles Abby Bowles	Olya Shipina Mary Wilken
<b>BLUEBIRDS</b>	Wendy Herrman-Tross Cat Whiting	Katherine Leatherman (D) Cat Whiting	Wendy Herrman-Tross Cat Whiting	Marla Wamsley (J) Teresa Morgan (F) Cat Whiting	Lisa Rinke Adora Rinke
<b>PRE K/K LIONS</b>	MaryDean Beland Mickey Beland	Becki Zetterholm (D) Laura Hill (D) Gail Pearce (J/F) Rebecca Parker (F)	Marla Wamsley (D) Malene Taubert	Sara Crist (J/F) Noelle Crist (Y)	Fran Li
<b>1ST/2ND/3RD GRADE</b>	Fran Li (D) Becky Cole (D) Ryn Riley (J/F) Woody Dotson (F) Becky Dotson (F)	Bud Christman (D) Sally Christman (D) Rhonda Brand (J/F) Deidra Fink	Bud Christman (J/F) Sally Christman (J/F) Rhonda Brand (D) Deidra Fink (F)	Matt Fuller (J/F) Katie Fuller (J/F)	Brad Owen Woody Greene (Y) Michael Prey (Y)