

Holiday Edition

SPRINGWOOD NEWS

Springwood Presbyterian Church, Burlington, NC



OCTOBER 26, 11am-3pm

**FOOD, RAFFLE, KID'S GAMES & CRAFTS,
TOUCH-A-TRUCK, PHOTO BOOTH,
LIVE MUSIC: "Hotwax & the Splinters"**

BRING A CANNED GOOD TO DONATE TO THE FOOD BANK

PARENTING CLASS

NOV. 12, 6:30PM

The Generational Gift of Parenting: Your evolution in Self-Development

Don't miss this exciting opportunity to hear our very own Playschool Parent, Olivia Gordon, share her extensive wisdom! Olivia is a Relational Communication Consultant specializing in families and their care.

"This class will provide insight into what skills are needed to begin your process of developing beyond your current mindset in your parenting journey." Olivia

A few of the topics we will cover include:

- *Boundary setting skills*
- *Problem solving*
- *Peaceful resolution of conflict with your preschooler*

... and so much more! There will be time for Q & A, so bring your parenting questions and concerns, as we navigate this important time together!



ALTERNATIVE GIFT FAIR

SUN, NOV. 10, 12PM-2PM

This Christmas, give your loved one a gift that blesses them while helping to heal a world in need. When you shop at the Springwood Alternative Gift Fair, you purchase goods or services that benefit others. From handicrafts locally made to clean water or education far away, this shopping with a purpose brings joy to all! A card will be provided stating what was given in honor of the recipient.



LIGHT UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD! SAT, NOV 2, 10AM OR WED, NOV 6, 9:15AM

Come learn to make the lighted orbs you see hanging in trees at Christmastime at one of our two workshops: All materials provided. Make one orb to leave for Springwood's entrance, and take the second home for your own personal decorating. Sign up is required to ensure adequate materials: admin@springwoodchurch.org.

PLAYSCHOOL FOOD DRIVE

NOV. 4-19

Springwood Playschool's annual food drive collects nonperishable food items for Springwood's Food Pantry and distributes them locally to families in need. We encourage you to involve your little ones - it's a wonderful way to teach children about caring for others!



HOLIDAY BAKING

WED, NOV. 13, 1PM



Ready to learn how to make some new treats for your holiday table? Join Laurie Jones and friends in the Springwood Kitchen for a casual and creative time together. Come ready to laugh and learn (and lick the bowl.)

COVERED DISH THANKSGIVING DINNER

THURS, NOV. 28, 12PM

Join the church family for an old fashioned Covered Dish Thanksgiving Feast this year! Turkey and gravy will be provided. Bring a side or dessert to share. If you are not a cook, then either make a donation or help with set up or clean up. Sign-up: admin@springwoodchurch.org to let us know you are coming and if you'll be bringing a dish to share.



DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

TREE AND TREATS

SUN, DEC. 1, 12PM



Join us for an old Springwood tradition of "Tree & Treats". We'll decorate the big tree in the sanctuary and enjoy some fruit and cookies together. Fun for all ages!



BLESSING BOX: NEW WARM CLOTHING

DECEMBER

During the month of December, Springwood Church will be collecting warm clothing items for local families in need. Hats, gloves, scarves, socks, thermals, long sleeve T's, etc., will help keep our neighbors warm. Adult and children's sizes are needed and welcomed! Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

FRI, DEC. 20, 7PM



Praying, Grieving, Healing for the Longest Night

The holiday season is hard for those whose hearts are hurting. Blue Christmas is a gentle, contemplative service of reflection that offers comfort and hope for those carrying pain or loss during this season of celebration. We gather on the longest night of the year, when darkness is prolonged, to remember God is good. God is near. Come light a candle in memory or honor of a loved one, or to lay down a burden you carry at the foot of the cross. Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness will not overcome it.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

TUES, DEC. 24, 5PM



Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Come share the wonder of Christmas as we spread the candlelight and sing "Silent Night, Holy Night." The music will make your heart soar!

