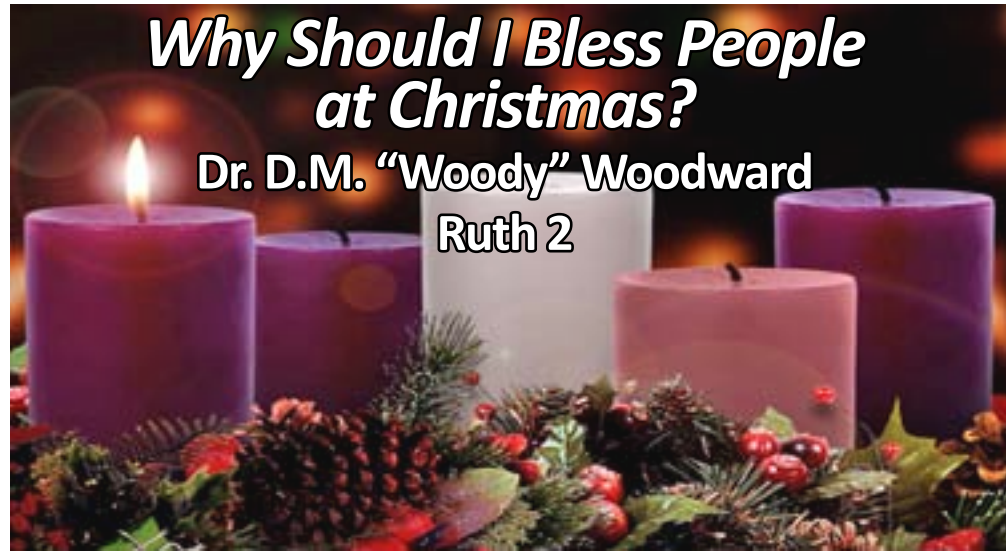


## Why Should I Bless People at Christmas?

Dr. D.M. "Woody" Woodward  
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## Celebration of Totenfest

Honoring Those We Have Lost in the Last Year



William C. Farmer  
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Weldon Brehmer  
Elrine Schmidt  
Larry Damerau  
Carolyn Goelzer  
Al Ludwig  
LaVerne Fischer  
Jeanette Dietert  
Bernice Ikels  
Ruby Neuse  
Edgar Eismann, Jr.  
Iris Schumann  
Archie Schmidt  
Robert Braune

2020 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
Sunday, Dec. 13th  
Immediately following the 11am service in Schumann Hall



Learn more at [samaritanspurse.ca/occ](http://samaritanspurse.ca/occ)



The amazing journey of a simple Shoebox gift begins with you, we thank you for each one! We delivered 101 Shoeboxes to Oakwood Baptist Church filled with gifts, blessings and hope! Each Shoebox gift represents an opportunity for one more child to learn about the One who said, "Let the children come to Me, and do not forbid them, for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14). Thank you and God bless you for your part in this ministry! Debbie Lowe, Johnnie Wise, Tammy Albrecht



Help #RescueChristmas by participating in the Red Kettle Challenge this year! Go to [registertoring.com](http://registertoring.com) to volunteer to be a bell ringer or go to [www.salvationarmynbt.org](http://www.salvationarmynbt.org) to volunteer in other ways. You can also donate OR take the challenge and set up your own virtual Red Kettle! So many ways to help others experience the real meaning of Christmas, through the Salvation Army.



<b>Monday</b>	Ya-yahs Bible Study	7:00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	The Stream (Youth Group) - Bormann Rm	6:00pm
	Handbell Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary	6:00pm
	GriefShare-The Well	6:00pm
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary	7:15pm
<b>Sunday</b>	Traditional Worship - Sanctuary	9:30am
	Discipleship Classes	9:30am
	Coffee in the Courtyard	10:30am
	Discipleship Classes	10:50am
	Contemporary Worship - Schumann Hall	11:00am

- 12/13, Sun** Annual Congregational Mtg.
- 12/24, Th** **Christmas Eve Services, 3:30 & 5:30 Traditional and 7:30 Contemporary**
- 3/19/2021** City Celebration of Founders' Day - Bandstand
- 3/21/2021** Founders' Day - 175th Anniversary

### This Sunday

The radio broadcast for the FPC Totenfest Sunday is sponsored by Women's Ministries in memory of our founding women and in honor of all women of New Braunfels' first church for their years of devotion and work.

Send all prayer requests to [office@firstprotestant.com](mailto:office@firstprotestant.com).

## SOUTH TEXAS BLOOD and TISSUE BANK Update

Due to extenuating circumstances with Blood Drive requirements and COVID, the October drive had to be cancelled. Regretfully, we are unsure that the Sunday Blood Drives will be able to occur moving forward due to the donor requirements. Pre-sign ups must be 40-45 potential donors to reach a goal of 30 actual donors. Having services at different times and lower attendance counts, the capacity is not in our favor.

We will assist in the effort to recruit donors and encourage our members to schedule appointments with other drive locations and in the Market Place Shopping Center. You can still donate on behalf of First Protestant Church, just let the screener know when you are completing the process. We are discussing how to coordinate a community blood drive held at First Protestant on a day other than Sunday. We appreciate your dedication to this ongoing need that continues now more than ever!

Those that wish to continue to donate, please consider visiting:

December 5th, New Braunfels Parks Foundation is hosting a blood drive. Kolette Palacios, a long time FPC blood donor, organized a blood drive with NB Parks and invites FPC support! Let's help her and our community before the year end with a Christmas gift of LIFE! See information below and sign up today!

### Mark Your Calendar!

Saturday, December 5 | 9am-2pm - Landa Park Mini Golf (Parking Lot- [192 Landa Park Dr., New Braunfels, TX. 78130](#))

While you are there donating, enjoy Landa Park and a free round of mini-golf on NB Parks!

**Scan the QR code to reserve your appointment today!**

Their goal is to have 50 donors give blood. ORcode is also attached.



## FPC Adult Connection Groups

Sundays, 9:30am

**Light, Life & Love ABF (The Well)** – Rev. Phil Brown

This new ABF (Adult Bible Fellowship) will be studying the Gospel of John.

**20s (The Well, Rm 4)** – Larissa Leal & Roxy Ullrich

A new young adult group (college-age / young 20s) is forming! Meeting schedule and study topics are TBA. Contact Larissa Leal at 760-486-8560 or Roxy Ullrich at 830-609-7271 to get on board!

Sundays, 11:00am

**C.A.L.M. (The Well)**– Chris & Kristi Beabout

The Christian Adult Learning Ministries class meets in The Well. Topical studies focus on giving Biblical perspective to marriage and family concerns.

**Faithful Servants (The Well)** – Lynn Herr

The Faithful Servants class studies the Bible using a read and discuss format. We are studying the book of Hebrews.

**Legacy Builders (The Well)** – Celeste Salge

The Legacy Builders class will be discussing world events that relate to adults (60+) from a Christian perspective.

**Kingdom Seekers (The Well)** – Wayne Wise

The Kingdom Seekers class is studying Romans.

Other Groups / Times

**Band of Brothers (B.o.B.s)** – Rob Miller

The B.o.B.s meet offsite on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm. They are currently studying "From Jesus to the Gospels." Contact Rob Miller at 210-573-5253 for more information.

**GriefShare** – Marilyn Challenner

GriefShare is a 13-week faith-based grief recovery course. Meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 6:00pm. Contact Marilyn Challenner at 830-624-5440 for more information.

**PB&J (Pizza, Beer & Jesus)** – Brian & Caressa Vajdos, Rodney & Cathy Fischer

PB&J is a small group primarily made up of parents of teens. Meeting schedule and study topics are flexible. Contact Caressa Vajdos at 210-274-5938 or Rodney Fischer at 830-708-8101 for info.

**Sole Prayers** – Rev. Phil Brown

Sole Prayers exists to bless our community through our prayers. We meet on Saturday mornings at 8:00am at local NB parks and neighborhoods to walk / jog / run and pray.

**Women's Bible Study** – Sue Saur

This group meets at the Saur home on Thursday evenings at 6:45pm. Studies rotate between topical and those focused on a book of the Bible. Contact Sue Saur at 830-708-0302 for more information.

**Young and Young-at-hearts (Ya-yahs)** – Marilyn Challenner

The Ya-yahs meet offsite each Monday from 7:00-9:00pm using the Precept Upon Precept inductive Bible study method. Contact Marilyn Challenner at 830-624-5440 for more information.

**Moms in Prayer (The Well)**- Carol Burr

Thursdays, 1:00pm



# FIRST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF NEW BRAUNFELS

*Where Everybody is Somebody  
And Jesus Christ is Lord*

*November 29, 2020*

*Totenfest/First Sunday of Advent  
Contemporary Service  
11:00 am*

Live Streaming on [firstprotestant.com](#)  
9:30 Traditional / 11:00 Contemporary

FILL US ALL WITH

*Hope*

*Where Everybody is Somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord*

## 2020 Angel Tree

Look for the Angel Tree in the corridor  
beginning the **TODAY!**



*"Don't Forget to Get a Card from the  
Angel Tree to Send to a Missionary"*

This year we are asking FPC families  
to choose a Christmas card from the tree  
to send prayers and cheer to one of our missionaries.  
You are welcome to include a gift card in your card.

**Merry Christmas to all our missionaries!!**