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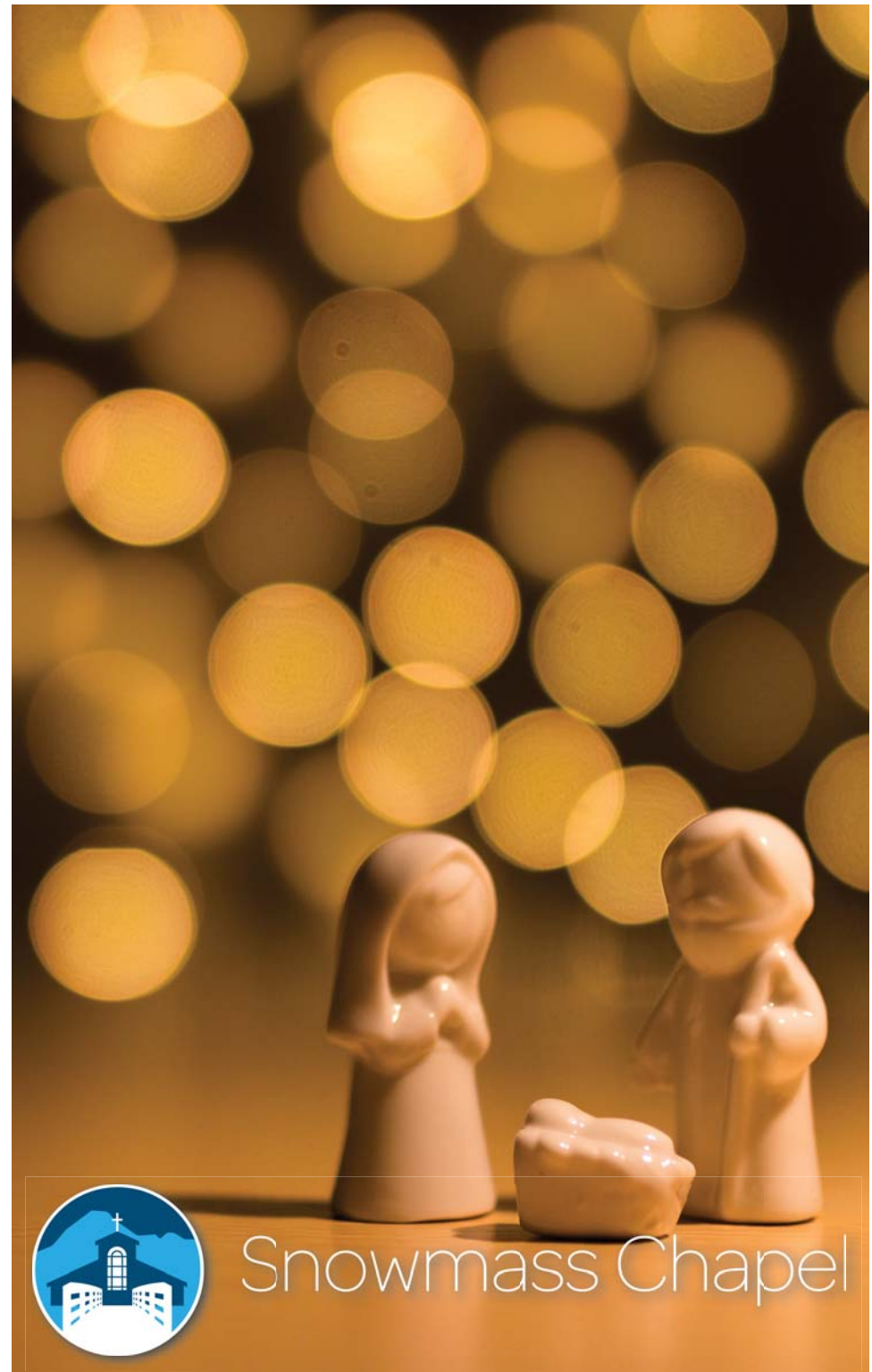
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*Non-Denominational Worship Service Sundays at 9am*



Snowmass Chapel

# Welcome to Snowmass Chapel!

We are so glad you are celebrating Christmas Eve with us. No matter who you are or where you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome here. Our focus tonight, and always, is on the love of God made visible in the birth of Jesus. At our 5pm service, we especially celebrate children and families. We hope you will palpably feel the Spirit moving in and through you as we are gathered here tonight.

Merry Christmas to all!



## ON MOUNTAIN WORSHIP

We meet God on the mountain too! Please join us on Snowmass Mountain for 15 minutes to worship in God's playground. Starting January 8th, we gather on Sundays at 12PM outside Gwyn's High Alpine Restaurant during ski season.



## CHRISTMAS EVE MUSICIAN

Michael "Micha" Schoepe studied Musical Theatre Performance in Leipzig, Germany. He played roles in diverse state theatre productions before touring internationally with A Cappella group, vocaldente. One of the tours led him to Snowmass Village, CO, where he met his husband, Paul Dankers. Micha appeared locally in theatre productions by ACT, Snowmass Chapel and Theater Masters.



## CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILIES

**Pre-K thru 5th grade:** Sunday School meets every week during the gam service. Kids are invited to join us on the altar steps for a brief kids sermon before heading to our Sunday School building next door.



**Middle School:** monthly social activities with youth leader, Coulter Burch; Book Club meets 2 Sundays a month, 4-5pm. 7th & 8th graders are always invited to join the fun at Young Life's Wyld Life monthly gatherings!

**High School:** This group meets whenever busy schedules allow. Sometimes it's a cup of hot cocoa after skiing, lunch in the school cafeteria, or pizza night at Coulter's.

**Camp SMashBox:** It's never too soon to begin thinking about summer plans! Whether you are a camper or a counselor, contact [kara@campsmashbox.com](mailto:kara@campsmashbox.com) to get in the know! Visit our website for camp weeks 2017.



**Confirmation Class:** Are you ready to take your faith to the next level? Confirmation class for 8th grade and up will begin in January. Contact Charla or Coulter for more information.



## Prayer Corner

Men & Women of the U.S. Armed Services

Patti Arnold  
Gwen and Fred  
Tammy Braman  
Catherine  
Ned and Jan Cochran  
Levi Cook  
Mardee de Wetter  
Fred Dick  
Linda DiLuco  
Nick Dimeglio  
Baby Brynn Effler  
Muriel Eulich  
Nancy Fail  
Florence Flynn  
Emily Garcia  
Max Grange  
Green Family  
Mary Hardwick  
Deanna Hicks  
Jensen family  
John  
Al Kaplinski  
Karla Kipling  
Sonja Kiser  
Langley family  
Debra Majoria  
Mar  
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Marlane Miller  
James Moore  
Nell and Gary Moore  
Moss Family  
Ness-Nelson family  
George Norman  
Elsa Ortiz  
Marcia Plotkin  
Linda Popper  
Ramsey family  
Penny Richey  
Spalding family  
Stacey Ross  
Selsor/McKeller family  
Caleb Silberburg  
Strasbourg family  
Heather Wagaman  
Sharon Wells  
Wright family  
Debbie Zelman

## CARING MINISTRIES AT SNOWMASS CHAPEL

Caring for those in need is a top priority at the Chapel. Jesus said repeatedly, "Feed my sheep!" and we hope to do that as much as possible. If you or someone you know is hurting, the following resources are available to everyone.

**Stephen Ministers** – Over the course of the past two years, Snowmass Chapel has trained twenty-two Stephen Ministers. These are lay people with big hearts and skilled in caregiving. They offer weekly visits as long as needed while you pass through a difficult time. You needn't suffer alone! Call or e-mail Sue de Campo, our Care Coordinator, if you are interested in having or being a Stephen Minister. (970) 300-1223 or sue@snowmasschapel.org.



**Parenting Support Group** – This group is for women whose children have been placed outside of the home for therapeutic intervention. The women meet monthly to share dinner, friendship and support. Contact Sue de Campo at sue@snowmasschapel.org for more information.

**Pastoral Care** – Both Senior Pastor Robert de Wetter and Assistant Pastor Charla Belinski are available for individual consultation. They will meet with you and help you find the resources you need to cope with what you are facing and feeling. Contact Charla at (970) 300-1213 or charla@snowmasschapel.org for more information.

## THE LAST ROMANCE

January 20 & 21, 27 & 28 at 7:30 PM

Buy **tix** in advance tickets @ [www.thunderrivertheatre.com](http://www.thunderrivertheatre.com)

Snowmass Chapel has teamed up with Carbondale's Thunder River Theatre Company to offer the delightful play, "The Last Romance," a fun and heartwarming piece about two retirees who fall in love at a New Jersey dog park. The production received wonderful reviews during its run in Carbondale and is the perfect comedy to enjoy with friends and family this winter.



The play, directed by TRTC Associate Artist, Mike Monroney, features local actors, Wendy Perkins, Chip Winn Wells, Willie Moseley, and Glenwood Springs baritone, Chris Caschetta, who sings a number of beautiful Italian arias interwoven throughout the piece. There is also a surprise four-legged friend who appears for a few minutes!

## Order of Service

December 24, 2016 at 5pm ~ Christmas Eve

**Prelude** Christmas Carol Sing-Along

**Opening of Worship** Noel, Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash & Matt Redman

**Welcome**

**Christmas Eve Prayer**

*Robert:* Dear Lord, help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the songs of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds and the worship of the wise men. May Christmas morning make us happy to be Your children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, joyful hearts forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen. (Adapted from Robert Louis Stevenson)

**Hymn** #277, *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

**Scripture Reading** Isaiah 9:2, 6-7 & Luke 2:1-20

**Special Music** *He Shall Reign Forevermore,*  
Chris Tomlin & Matt Maher

**Christmas Eve Message** Senior Pastor Robert de Wetter

**Offertory** #278, *Angels We Have Heard on High*

**Christmas Eve Prayers**

**The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Lighting of the Candles**

(Please keep the lighted candle upright and tip the unlighted candle. The candles are extinguished after the hymn.)

**Hymn** #253, *Silent Night*

**Closing Prayer**

O God, who made us glad with the yearly celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ; grant that as we joyfully receive the Word made flesh as our redeemer, we may one day with sure confidence behold the Son of Righteousness, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. *Amen.*

**Closing Hymn** #270, *Joy to the World*

**Christmas Eve Blessing**

**Postlude**

*Thank you for worshipping with us!  
We invite you to join us every Sunday morning at 9AM.  
On-Mountain Service Sundays at noon outside of Gwyn's High  
Alpine starting on January 8th*

**OUTREACH UPDATE: SNOWMASS CHAPEL IS SPREADING THE LOVE**

*A Heartfelt Thank You*

Here at Snowmass Chapel, we are all about **LOVE**. Loving God and loving people. This fall, we were able to show many people our love through our Lift Up Food Drive in September and a coat/food/supply drive for the Aspen Homeless Shelter in October. In November, we filled 32 shoe boxes with school supplies, toothbrushes, arts and crafts and toys for Operation Christmas Child to be sent around the world. Right here in the Roaring Fork Valley, we adopted ten families through the Holiday Baskets Program which provides Christmas presents, food vouchers and many other goodies to families less fortunate. We want to say **THANK YOU** to all of you who helped us share our **LOVE** during this season of thankfulness and giving! Your generosity makes all that we do possible!



**WOMEN'S GROUP**

These intrepid souls are up for adventure. Weekly gatherings include hiking, skiing, book groups, relationship workshops and sitting by a warm fire in the fellowship of friends. To join our email list and learn when the next adventure is, contact [charla@snowmasschapel.org](mailto:charla@snowmasschapel.org).



**MEN'S GROUP**

Coffee isn't the only thing we need in the morning. Sometimes we need encouragement from others facing the same set of hurdles we face. Men's Group is a chance for men to come together and share the challenges and joys of life and encourage each other to "stand firm in the faith" (1 Cor. 16:13). Join us every 1st and 3rd Tuesday morning at 6:30 am. For more information, contact [coulter@snowmasschapel.org](mailto:coulter@snowmasschapel.org).



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