

what's happening?

Week of 12.3.17

Take The Survey! We're gearing up for 2018! Please take 5 minutes to complete this short survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TheVenues>. We truly value your input and look forward to what we get to do next year!

Lights of Love: Thank you everyone who took a card last week! We have more ornament cards to support our friends on the streets and local pets. Grab an ornament card from one of the trees before you leave today!

Downtown Venues Christmas Party! Thursday, December 14th from 6 - 7pm at Ernie Biggs. We'll have an ugly sweater competition, awesome food, and incredible music. If you want to bring snacks to share, sign up at the Welcome Desk.

Active Shooter Training: The Springfield Police Department will be hosting free Active Shooter Training on **Saturday, December 9th, from 9-10:30am** here at The Venues. Free childcare! Sign up at the Welcome Desk!

Holiday Service Times:

- Blue Christmas: 12/20 at **6:30 pm**
- Christmas Eve: 12/24 at **4pm & 5:30pm** (No morning services)
- New Year's Eve: 12/31 at **9:30 & 11am** (All Family Service. Childcare available for 0-2 years. 6th-8th graders meet in mobile classroom.)

Volunteer for Christmas Eve: Volunteer to make Christmas Eve at The Venues the best ever for our guests! Enjoy one service and volunteer during the other. Sign up online at thevenues.org/christmaseve or at the Welcome Desk!

Blue Christmas Service: Wednesday, December 20th, at 6:30pm. For those dealing with life situations that make the holidays difficult, and for those who want to support our friends who are struggling this holiday season.

rEcess Respite Night: Friday, December 8th @ 5:30 – 10:30pm. On the 2nd Friday of each month, you get to play games and have fun with kids with special needs and their siblings! Sign up on Facebook (rEcess at The Venues) or at the Welcome Desk.

E-Donation: Set up automatic electronic donations and receive a free "Love Your Neighbor" t-shirt! Just notify us (include your t-shirt size) after you've set up recurring donations through your bank's internet bill pay, The Venues website, or text-to-give!

this week

Sunday: **9:30 & 11a** Junior Venues (6th-8th, Mobile Classroom)
5pm Students Venue Xmas Party (6th-12th, Mobile Classroom)

Wednesday: **5:30p** AA Coed Group (Kids Venue Big Room)
6p Beer, Brew & Bible (Classic Rock Coffee, Frank: 350.8850)
6:15p Church Council (The Venues Basement)

Thursday: **6p** Downtown Venue (Ernie Biggs @ 312 South Avenue)
7p AA Men's Group (The Venues Basement)

Friday: **8:15a** Breakfast Venue (806 N. Jefferson)
5:30p rEcess volunteers arrive!

Saturday: **9a** Active Shooter Training