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## CONNECT, ABIDE, & EXTEND

### BOXES OF BLESSING

DECEMBER 3 | 8:30 A.M. | 6100 CEDAR SPRINGS

Register for our annual Boxes of Blessing Packing Day! Bring your family, small group, and friends to help us extend the Kingdom of Christ to our city by filling 10,000 boxes of food. These boxes are a wonderful gift to our ministry partners that allows them to minister to their communities in a unique way.

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### ADVENT CELEBRATION FOR FAMILIES

DECEMBER 4 | 4:30 P.M. | SANCTUARY

The Children's Ministry invites families with children of all ages to attend a special evening to celebrate Advent. The service is followed by a family-friendly dinner and fellowship at 5:15 p.m. Dinner options are available for advance purchase with registration (open until 3:00 p.m. on Wed., Nov. 30). There is no childcare for this event. Middle Schoolers are invited to a Christmas Party in the Gym.

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### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

DECEMBER 24 | 4:00 & 8:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Who will you invite to celebrate with us the advent of Jesus Christ! The Christmas Eve Family service, where we encourage families to bring children of all ages, is at 4:00 p.m., and the Christmas Eve Evening Service is at 8:00 p.m.

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### CHRISTMAS DAY & NEW YEARS SERVICES

DECEMBER 25 & JANUARY 1 | 11:00 A.M. | SANCTUARY

We will worship together in one service on Sunday, December 25, and then again on Sunday, January 1, at 11:00 a.m. (PCPC Kids Nursery and Preschool Only. No Elementary.)

[pcpc.org/advent](http://pcpc.org/advent)

### YEAR-END GIVING

In order to comply with IRS regulations, Saturday, Dec. 31, is the deadline for donations to be received for 2022. Other than offerings given in worship or online, you may mail checks postmarked by Dec. 31. The offices will be closed from Dec. 24 through Jan. 2, but donations can be hand-delivered and placed in a secure dropbox outside the south entrance anytime the church offices are open or closed for the holidays.

[pcpc.org/give](http://pcpc.org/give)

### CITY MISSIONS EXPO

JANUARY 8 | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come learn what God has done, is doing, and will do through our City Ministry Partners and learn how you can be a part of extending Jesus' Kingdom in Dallas. Lunch will be provided. We hope to see you there!

### SAVE THE DATES

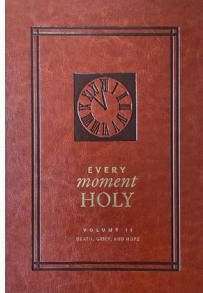
- Jan. 15-19 - Spring Kickoff for Bible Studies & Classes
- Feb. 19 - Faith & Culture with Ligon Duncan & Mark McDowell
- Feb. 24-26 - Women's Retreat
- Apr. 2-9 - Holy Week
- Apr. 27 - A Night of Hope with Katherine & Jay Wolfe
- May 27-June 2 - High School Florida Trip
- Jun. 6-9 - Vacation Bible School

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# BOOKS

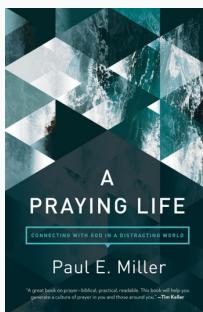
FOR THE HOLIDAYS & THE NEW YEAR



Every Moment Holy (Vol. 1 & 2)

DOUGLAS MCKELVEY

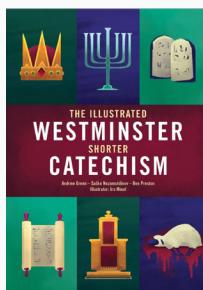
New liturgies for the ordinary events of daily life. These prayers are ways of reminding us that our lives are shot through with sacred purpose even when, especially when, we are too busy or too caught up in our busyness to notice.



A Praying Life: Connecting with God in a Distracting World

PAUL E. MILLER

A Praying Life has encouraged thousands of Christians to pursue a vibrant prayer life full of joy and power. This book reminds readers that prayer is simply making conversation with God a rhythm of life.



The Illustrated Westminster Shorter Catechism

ANDREW GREEN, SASKO NEZAMURDINOV & IRA MINIOF

This new, illustrated edition breathes fresh life into these timeless questions and answers, helping a new generation to learn the primary truths drawn from the Bible.

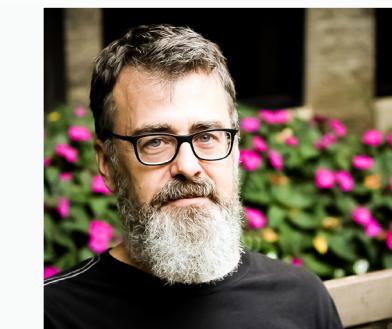


These books are available for purchase in the PCPC Bookstore. Also pickup a free copy of *Abide: A Prayer Book* with an Advent Scripture Reading insert in the Grand Hall.



CHAD SCRUGGS  
COVENANTPRES.COM

Chad is originally from Tennessee, and a graduate of the University of Tennessee. He earned his Master's degree from Covenant Seminary (St. Louis, MO) and served for several years as RUF Campus Minister at Southern Methodist University before becoming a Pastor at Park Cities Presbyterian Church. He is currently the Lead Pastor at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nashville. He and his wife, Jada, have four children.



DOUGLAS MCKELVEY  
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Douglas grew up in East Texas and moved to Nashville in 1991. In the decades since, he has worked as an author, song lyricist, scriptwriter, and video director. He has penned more than 350 lyrics recorded by a variety of artists including Switchfoot, Kenny Rogers, Sanctus Real, and Jason Gray. He and his wife Lise have three grown daughters and two sons-in-law. Douglas has served for the last four years as the sexton at St. John's Anglican Church in Franklin, Tennessee.



FERNANDO ORTEGA  
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Fernando was born and raised in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he started learning piano at eight years of age. He earned his bachelor's degree in music education from the University of New Mexico. Fernando is one of Christian music's most respected artists, his works encompassing modern hymns, liturgical songs, inspirational, and worship favorites. He and his wife, Margee, have a daughter.



*Winter Grace* is an on-campus retreat for our whole congregation to experience renewal in God's grace together. Our theme this year is *The Grace of Prayer*, and we are delighted to welcome Chad Scruggs, Douglas McKelvey, and Fernando Ortega as our featured guests. We hope you will set aside these two days, February 4 & 5, on your calendar as we anticipate the joyful fellowship, rich teaching, and beautiful worship God has provided. For more details, please visit [pcpc.org/wintergrace/](http://pcpc.org/wintergrace/).