



# Pinole Valley Community Church

& Harvest Chapel Ministries ~ a safe place

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## TODAY IS DECEMBER 5, 2010

Expect the Holy Spirit ~ This is Communion Sunday

Prelude		
Invocation and Welcome		Pastor Mike
Hymn	Angels we have heard	132
Lectionary Reading		
Hymn	Joy to the world	125
Pastoral Prayer		
Worship Music		Team
Message	Desire of all nations	Pastor
Invitation / Benediction		

*You are invited to stay for hot cider & fellowship after the service today*

## THIS WEEK

The Gathering for jr & sr high	<b>Mon. 7:30 PM</b>
Movie ~ Pizza ~ Prayer	<b>Wed 7:00 PM</b>
Prayer Gate for Men (pastor's sun room)	<b>Thu 7:30 AM</b>
Worship Team Practice	<b>Sat 3:15 PM</b>

## LECTIONARY READINGS

Old Testament	Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm	72:1-7, 18-19
Gospel	Matthew 3:1-12
Epistle	Romans 15:4-13

**THANK YOU** for giving at Pinole Valley Community Church.  
Last week: offering 910 missions 180. Attendance 44.



**THANK YOU FOR** partnering in our Mexican Missions Ministry  
in a Shoe Box 2010 .. mission accomplished

**Donations of Poinsettia Plants & Winter Arrangements** for the altar  
*are welcome all during December..*

## Tree branches ~ Carols ~ Scent of pine

Some years ago, after Christmas shopping near downtown Manhattan a man in a tattered coat had the brazen audacity, to actually squeeze into an already over crowded evening subway train with all his packages ... and ... a full 5 ft, freshly cut Christmas tree. Forcing the fat tree through the sliding door, it rudely poked several passengers, forcing home-bound commuters into an even tighter angry crowd. The resentment in that subway car flashed. Several irritated passengers complained and murmured loudly, but this man



was on his family's Christmas mission ... he smiled at those frowning at him and began humming a familiar Christmas carol. After a short time, the tree's scent of fresh pine filled the car ... smiling on, he hummed another carol. Then someone cracked a smile and joined him in humming the carol. Humming along, a little girl on her mother's lap touched the pine branches thinking about packages under her own tree at home. Strangely, in the scent of pine and the sound of carols, a common tolerance for this rude fellow swelled in the car, as a Christmas lighted landscaped raced past the subway car windows. Good will happened.

Holiday celebrations can crowd into in like we are on subway car. We groan and complain ... too much to do, people to see, places to go ... we may stress out. ... But let's listen again to the carols, smell the pine, find rest of soul in memories at the foot of the manger. Recapture "peace on earth" and good will toward men ... even if they do crowd us with tree branches and packages.



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**BIBLE READINGS THERE**  
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## Notes

- \***Outreach:** Fiat Music Store and Academy will present an annual student Recital for local youth here at PVCC Saturday 12-11-2010 from 3:30 to 5:00 PM. Come meet Pinole neighbors.
- \***Music:** what is your favorite hymn, carol, or worship song? Tell us ~ drop a note in the offering box.
- \***Membership:** Believe God is leading you to make PVCC your spiritual home? See Pastor about membership