

WELCOME

December 19, 2021

We're so glad you're here!

At Gateway, we believe in joining God to transform our lives and culture to reflect His heart by:

Loving God ● Loving Each Other ● Loving His World

WEEKLY SERVICE & MEETINGS

COMPLETE LISTING AT GATEWAYMERCED.ORG

SUNDAY

- Sunday Service // In Person (9AM & 11AM) & Live on YouTube (9AM)

*Past messages are available // www.gatewaymerced.org

Family Room and Nursing Room Available by the Restrooms.

- Join us for corporate prayer // 8AM // Conference Room & Zoom
www.gatewaymerced.org/events
- 1st - 5th Grade // 9AM & 11AM // Rooms D1 - D4
- 6 Weeks to Kinder // 9AM & 11AM // Preschool Wing
- Catalyst High School - *On Break*

TUESDAY

Crossroads Middle School - *On Break*

THURSDAY

- INSPIRE College & Young Adult - *On Break*

JOIN A SMALL GROUP:

<https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups>

GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH

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GATEWAY NEWS

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

If you are facing extreme grief this holiday season, you know there's no easy or quick fix! But we can help you uncover practical holiday survival tips for dealing with a season of despair. Join us TODAY at 2PM in the Worship Center for Surviving the Holidays, a 2-hour event featuring real-life stories and a community of caring people.

COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY

As you consider your participation in communion next week know that this table has been prepared for all who love Jesus and trust Him alone for the forgiveness of their sin. Everyone who is truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believes in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desires to live in obedience to Him, is invited to come with gladness to the table of the Lord.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church office hours for Mon.-Thur. (12/20-23) are 9 AM-1 PM. Closed Fri., Dec. 24. for the Christmas Holiday. Merry Christmas!

WORLD RENEW // GIFT CATALOG

In this season of giving, help people who live in extreme poverty experience more of the fullness of life God intends for them. Our community Christmas tree is covered with ornaments that have giving suggestions for people in need around the world: You are invited to choose an ornament and bring it, along with your donation, to put in the World Renew offering on Christmas Day. A chicken, a goat, or a handwashing station are just a few of the ways you can change lives through World Renew. Go to worldrenew.net/gifts to find out more and to give.

LOST AND FOUND ITEMS

Please check the cart under the stairs to claim any lost and found items that might be yours. Any items that are left after Sun., Dec. 19 will be donated.

"RANDOM" ACTS OF PRAYER

We are participating again this year with others in Merced who are willing to make a special daily effort to pray for those around them. Simply pray at least once a day during the days of December for whomever God puts in your path and impresses you to lift to Him in prayer.

RIGHTNOW MEDIA // FREE RESOURCE

We are proud to offer a free, customizable video library to equip families, resource groups, and develop leaders. Choose from more than 2,000 wholesome, educational, and entertaining videos for children, and over 20,000 biblical videos just for you. To sign up and get started fill out the communication card in this bulletin and mark RightNow Media or email info@gatewaymerced.org.

Contact Me About:

- Baptism
- Becoming a Follower of Jesus
- Church Membership
- Kid's Ministries
- RightNow Media
- Serving at Gateway
- Small Groups
- Worship Ministry
- Youth Ministries
- College/ Young Adults

Comments, Prayer Requests:

- Confidential (Staff Only) Best way to Contact me: Text Call Email

How have you seen God move in your life this week/recently?

GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH SUNDAYS 9AM & 11AM

Songs of
Christmas

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'Tis the season of giving & receiving, and what better way to give & receive, than towards God's kingdom and His blessings. The following are some opportunities for you to partner with us & minister through giving: General Fund, Facilities Fund, Generations, & World Renew. gatewaymerced.org/give



Join us for a candlelight service on Christmas Eve from 5pm-6pm. Praise alongside our children's ministry & worship team as we transition to a Christmas devotional.



Drop off mittens, scarves, coats, hats, etc during our office hours before noon on December 23rd. We will donate items to the Merced Rescue Mission on that day. Also, the Mission needs good, used hide-a-beds and sofas.



There will be one 10AM service on December 26th with Kids Church provided for 6wks - Kindergarten. Live-stream will also be provided at 10AM on YouTube.

Communication/Prayer Request Card

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

Name: _____ Change in Contact Info

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Best Contact Phone: _____

I'm new to Gateway: I attend here often I'm a member

1st Visit I've been here a few times

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If you are a 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? _____