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Churches Hold Blue Christmas, Longest Night Services For a Difficult Year

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In a year like none in recent memory, churches are looking to offer comfort during one of the most difficult years that many of us have ever experienced.

Blue Christmas, also called Longest Night, services will be held by United Methodist Churches all over the Arkansas Conference as a way to offer a shared space for grieving, but also comfort and hope.

Many churches are offering virtual experiences this year, which means the services will be available to a wider audience. No matter where you are this year, you can find a Blue Christmas/Longest Night service that works for you.

We have gathered below a list of all the churches who have contacted us about their Blue Christmas/Longest Night services. More will be added to this list as we get them.

Beebe FUMC – Dec. 20 at 5:30 p.m.

The Blue Christmas service is for those who are not feeling particularly merry and bright right now. The holiday season is hard if you are hurting. You are not alone. Join us on Sunday, December 20, for a gentle service of remembrance and hope. In-person at FUMC Beebe, we will wear masks and observe social distancing guidelines. The service will also be available on Facebook Live. Event

link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1068447476961381>

Bellas Vista FUMC – Dec. 21, 6:30 p.m.

Online only service will be streamed through the church's [Facebook Page](#) as well as on YouTube through their website, <http://fumcbellavista.com/>.

Bentonville FUMC – Dec. 16 at 6 p.m.

Join Ken & Casey Weatherford along with Matt Nelson on piano for a special Blue Christmas, featuring a live chat with song, prayer and more. Facebook Live stream. Event

link: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1266243120417302>

Camden FUMC – Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Livestreamed service will be on the church's [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) pages.

Eureka Springs FUMC – Dec. 21

A recording of the service will be posted on the church's [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#) pages.

Fort Smith FUMC – Dec. 13 at 5 p.m.

Live-streamed on the church [Facebook Page](#), which may also be accessed through the website fsfumc.org.

Jacksonville FUMC – Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Live-streamed via YouTube and Facebook. Virtual attendees will be able to interact and respond to questions on both platforms. Facebook page link:

<https://www.facebook.com/JFUMC/>

North Little Rock FUMC – Dec. 13 at 3 p.m.

A drive-in style service of hope and healing will be held on Dec. 13 at 3 p.m. at the church. The worship service will include hymns, prayer, scripture, a homily, and Holy Communion. If you are outside your vehicle, masks and social distancing are required.

Perryville UMC – Dec. 13 at 5 p.m.

The church will host a service via Zoom. If you are interested in participating, email perumc@windstream.net or call 501-889-5413. The Rev. Bill Buchanan of West Memphis FUMC and Perryville UMC Pastor Chanda Adams will lead worship followed by discussion.

Rogers FUMC – Dec. 21 at 6 p.m.

Tune in at 6 p.m. on Dec. 21 on the church's [Facebook](#) or [YouTube Page](#).

St. Paul UMC, Little Rock – Dec. 21

You can watch the live stream on the church's [YouTube Channel](#).

St. Paul UMC, Searcy – Dec. 20 at 4:30 p.m.

The event will be held at the church, with mask-wearing and social distancing observed.

Winfield UMC

Service was held on Dec. 6, but you can rewatch it at <https://fb.watch/2gGHQXZK9O/>.

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