

## SHOEBOX SUNDAY IS DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

You are invited to help the less fortunate living in and around Ridgefield by providing a Christmas Shoebox filled with age-appropriate gifts to those in need.



*Imagine the joy people will feel when they receive special gifts from you!*



As we did last year, we are working with Ridgefield Social Services and ARC (Association of Religious Communities) to distribute our Christmas Shoeboxes locally. We need boxes for **children** AND for **older adults**.

***Deadline:*** *Shoeboxes can be delivered to the church anytime after between November 3 through December 4.*

**A few guidelines:** All items must be new (not used). Either purchase a pre-decorated shoebox from Michael's or Christmas Tree Shop or wrap the top and bottom of a shoebox separately (see samples on the table in the Narthex). You may also use a Sterilite-type plastic container approximately the size of a shoebox. Fill the shoebox FULL of approved items (unlike previous years, your box will not be sent to a distribution center to be checked and finished, so please be sure it is complete when you bring it to church). Please don't include weapons, items of war or easily breakable items such as glass. Gift receipts may be included so that an exchange for size or color may be made. Gift cards may also be included. You no longer need to include payment for shipping!

**Labels:** Please use the labels on the back of these instructions.

**Suggested items for Children:** Small toys, school supplies, balls, games, cards, candy, art supplies, books, stuffed animal/doll, mittens, scarves, hats, gloves, hair bands, Christmas ornaments, bows, personal care items, socks, shirts etc. Pinterest online has many creative ideas as well.

**Suggested items for Older Adults:** Chapstick, slippers, fancy tissues, mints, flashlight/batteries, socks, gloves, hats, scarves, puzzle books, hard candy, pens/pencils, greeting cards, stamps, notecards, hand cream, personal care items, nail care set, Christmas ornaments, games.

If you have not already dropped your shoebox off at church, plan on bringing it to church on Sunday, December 4th at 9:30 a.m. so that it may be presented at the altar and then distributed from there. Thanks! Please contact either Debbie Ahle [dbahle@aol.com](mailto:dbahle@aol.com) or Jennifer Mayette [Jennifer.Winston88@gmail.com](mailto:Jennifer.Winston88@gmail.com) with questions.

## SHOEBOX LABELS

Cut out as many labels as you need and affix the appropriate label to the shoebox.  
Check the correct box (man or woman, girl or boy in the correct age group)



<input type="checkbox"/>	Woman
<input type="checkbox"/>	Man

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Boy 2-4 years old
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Boy 9-12 years old
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