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## Murray Library December 2022 Newsletter

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**Regular Hours:**  
Mon.-Thurs.,  
8AM-11PM  
Fri., 8AM-5PM  
Sat., 10AM-6PM  
Sun., 2PM-11PM

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## What's New at the Library? December 2022



### The Gift of Music

#### Handbell Quartet

The Library will be hosting live Christmas music thanks to the Messiah University handbell choir directed by Shawn Gingrich. Amid the hectic pace of Christmastime, allow yourself this lovely half hour of beautiful music. Christmas cookies provided! Performance will be held in the library near the café.

Please join us, if your schedule allows:

Wednesday, December 7 at 4:30PM

### EXAM CRAM: EXTENDED LIBRARY HOURS

The library will be open late for finals! Look for fun and de-stressing activities throughout the library, including puzzles, lego-building, coloring pages, thank you notes, hula hoops, and free, late-night snacks.

**Sunday, December 11:**

2 PM to 1 AM

**Monday, December 12:**

8 AM to 1 AM

**Tuesday, December 13:**

8 AM to 12 AM



### AUDIOBOOKS



#### Maximize your Reading with Audiobooks

The Messiah community has access to thousands of audiobooks, as CDs or digitally. Audiobooks are often used as a way to read while multi-tasking. Listen while completing chores, commuting, or exercising. While studies show that retention may not be as strong as traditional reading, listening to an audiobook is still reading! Audiobooks are a fantastic way to limit screentime and relax. The most popular genres of audiobooks are Mysteries, Thrillers, and Suspense. There are more than 70,000 new audiobooks published each year and they are often narrated by the authors or by notable figures.

Murray Library has over 400 CD Audiobooks. Additionally, MU students and employees have the option to get a free Digital Library card from the Cumberland County Library System. The public library offers thousands of current audiobooks for FREE through the Libby and OverDrive apps. Nearly half of all adults have listened to at least one audiobook to completion. Join the trend and get reading! Click for more details on audiobooks: <https://libguides.messiah.edu/collections/audiobooks>

The Friends 20th Annual Dinner & Program was held on Friday, November 4 in Hostetter Chapel. We were delighted to welcome Anita Voelker as our keynote speaker. Anita taught for many years in the Education Department at Messiah University. In her presentation, "A Peek Through the Looking Glass: Why Children's Books Matter," Anita enabled guests to peek through the proverbial looking glass to discover the richness of children's literature through both images and words. Over 100 guests attended and enjoyed a buffet style meal catered by Messiah's Two Bridges Catering. We would like to thank Messiah Press, Conference Services, Campus Events, and Dining Services for helping to make this year's dinner a meaningful event!



### Reminder! Don't be Overdue

**For Students:** All Library and Interlibrary Loan items must be returned before you leave campus or by December 15. The library's dropbox is open 24/7 for returns. Avoid fees on your account.

**For Employees:** Please return materials on or before their due date. If you're still using the item(s), please renew them. Renewals can be made by calling the circulation department (x3860), visiting the circulation desk, or [renewing items online through Primo](#), if the renewal request is initiated before the item's due date. To renew online, users must sign into their library account.

**Home Alone** / directed by Chris Columbus. PN1995.9.C55 H64 2015

**Mrs. Miracle** / directed by Michael M. Scott. PN1995.9.C5113 M77 2010

**Dog Named Christmas** / directed by Peter Werner. PN1995.9.C5113 D64 2009

**Midnight Clear** / directed by Dallas Jenkins. PN1995.9.C5113 M536 2007

**Christmas Story** / directed by Bob Clark. PN1995.9.C5113 C4755 2006

**Joyeux Noël = Merry Christmas** PN1995.9.F67 J69 2006

**Elf** / directed by Jon Favreau. PN1995.9.C5113 E54 2004

**It's a Wonderful Life** / produced and directed by Frank Capra. PN1997.C376 I87 2001

**Miracle on 34th Street** / directed by George Seaton. PN1995.9.C5113 M57 1999

**Holiday films are available on streaming through [Swank](#):**

**Check out a few --**

- \* Home for the Holidays
- \* Last Christmas 2019
- \* Muppet Christmas Carol 1992
- \* White Christmas 1954
- \* Scrooged 1988

