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### Giving Update

Through December 8, our total giving for 2011 is \$294,412 against an estimated year-to-date budget of \$325,939. Our budget for the year is \$350,000 and we encourage you to give faithfully and generously.

### Christmas Gift Guide

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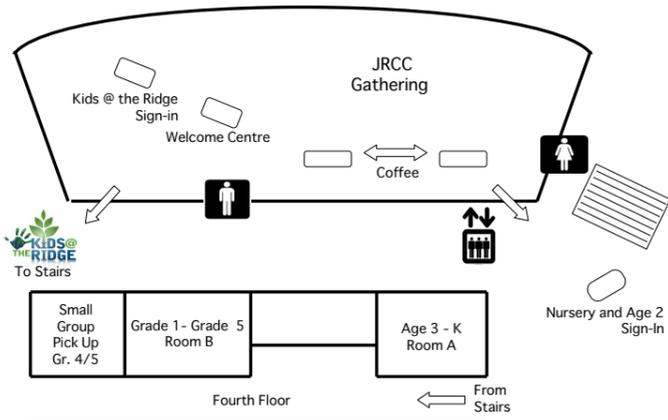
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**Fusion Youth Christmas Banquet**

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The youth groups from our Fusion nights will be partnering with the Salvation Army to help with the annual kettle campaign on Tuesday, Dec 20. Talk with Mike if you'd like to sign up for a two-hour block of time with one of your friends.

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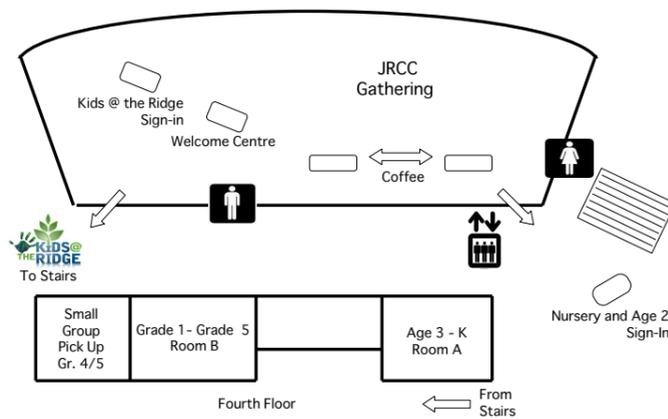
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