

# John Kieseewetter's 2015 Holiday Program Guide



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(The list is limited mostly to prime-time shows. Many repeat during the day or overnight. I can't list ALL channels, so check on-screen guides for shows not making my list, or for last-minute schedule changes.)

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

*The Incredibles* (5:30 p.m., ABC Family):

A seemingly ordinary family has incredible super powers.

*Wreck-It Ralph* (8 p.m., ABC Family):

A video game bad guy wants to be a hero.

2015 Nickelodeon HALO Awards (7 p.m., Nickelodeon, TV Land, CMT, TeenNick):

Cincinnati's Walk the Moon, Fifth Harmony, Joe Jonas and others perform during a salute to Justin Bieber and four teens.

*Angel of Christmas* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

New. A reporter (Jennifer Finnigan) researches the angel her great grandfather carved as a young man. With Holly Robinson Peete.

*Bad Santa* (8 p.m., Ch 64):

A criminal (Billy Bob Thornton) plays Santa.

*Home Alone* (8 p.m., AMC):

Kevin (Macaulay Culkin) outwits Christmas thieves.

*Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas* (8:30 p.m., Ch 19, Fox):

Animated. Sid destroys Christmas decorations. With Ciara Bravo as Peaches.

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

*Disney's A Christmas Carol* (7 p.m., ABC Family):

Jim Carrey as Scrooge in 2009 animated movie.

*Debbie Macomber's Mrs. Miracle* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

A widower's twins love their new nanny (Doris Roberts).

*It's Your 50th Christmas, Charlie Brown* (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Kristen Bell hosts a musical tribute to the 1965 Peanuts cartoon with Kristen Chenoweth, Sarah McLachlan, Boyz II Men, Pentatonix, David Benoit, All-American Boys Chorus and Matthew Morrison.

*A Charlie Brown Christmas* (9 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Linus explains the true meaning of Christmas to a terrific jazz sound track for the 50th year.

*The Polar Express* (9 p.m., ABC Family):

A train trip to the North Pole.



## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

*The Year Without A Santa Claus* (6 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Santa (John Goodman) takes the year off.

*The Polar Express* (7 p.m., ABC Family):

Train trip to the North Pole.

*Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer* (8 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

Animated. Rudolph guides Santa's sleigh so everyone can have a Holly Jolly Christmas.

*Crown for Christmas* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

A former maid (Danica McKellar) becomes a governess for a rebellious young princess.

*Christmas with the Kranks* (8 p.m., AMC):

A couple (Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis) celebrate Christmas.

*How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (9 p.m., ABC Family):

The Grinch (Jim Carrey) tries to stop Christmas.

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

*Christmas in Rockefeller Center* (8 p.m., Ch 5 NBC):

Live from New York with Matt Lauer, Savannah Guthrie and Al Roker.

*Frank Sinatra: A Man and His Music* (8 p.m., TCM):

Frank Sinatra's first TV concert at his peak of his career in 1965.

*Jingle All The Way* (8 p.m. AMC):

Dads (Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sinbad) fight over a toy.

*Northpole: Open for Christmas* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

An elf helps the new owner (Lori Loughlin) restore an old inn.

*The Santa Clause* (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

*Dr. Seuss' How The Grinch Stole Christmas* (9 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Animated. The 1966 classic narrated by Boris Karloff debuts on NBC.

*SNL Christmas* (9:30 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

"Saturday Night Live" Christmas comedy.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

*The Wiz Live!* (8 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

New Jersey teen Shanice Williams stars as Dorothy in NBC's live musical with Queen Latifah (the Wiz), Mary J. Blige (Wicked Witch of the West), Uzo Aduba (Good Witch of the South), David Alan Grier (Cowardly Lion), Ne-Yo (Tin Man), Elijah Kelley (Scarecrow) and Stephanie Mills (Auntie Em).

*Toy Story That Time Forgot* (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

The toys fear new dinosaur toys.

*Angel of Christmas* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

A reporter (Jennifer Finnigan) researches the angel her great grandfather carved as a young man. With Holly Robinson Peete.

*Shrek the Halls* (8:30 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Friends ruin the ogre's Christmas.

*Fred Claus* (8:15 p.m., ABC Family):

Santa bails out his brother (Vince Vaughn).

*CMA Country Christmas* (9 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Holiday music by Martina McBride, Jennifer Nettles, Pentatonix, LeAnn Rimes, Darius Rucker, Brian Setzer and Michael W. Smith.



## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

*Santa Claus is Comin' to Town* (6 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Fred Astaire.

*Fred Claus* (7 p.m., ABC Family):

Santa bails out his brother (Vince Vaughn).

*Scrooged* (7 p.m., AMC):

Bill Murray as Scrooge in 1988.

*Once Upon a Holiday* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

A royal princess (Briana Evigan) hides her identity from a blue collar worker.

*Scrooged* (9 p.m., AMC):

Bill Murray as Scrooge in 1988.

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

*Prancer* (12:15 p.m., ABC Family):

An injured reindeer brings hope to a child.

*Santa Claus is Comin' To Town* (4 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Fred Astaire.

*The Polar Express* (5 p.m., ABC Family):

Train trip to the North Pole.

*Elf* (7:15 p.m., ABC Family):

An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

*It's A Wonderful Life* (8 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

An angel helps a suicidal man (James Stewart).

*Just in Time For Christmas* (8 p.m. Saturday, DECEMBER 5, Hallmark):

New. William Shatner stars in a Hallmark Hall of Fame movie as a magical messenger who helps a professor (Eloise Mumford) and coffee shop owner find love.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

*A Christmas Carol* (8:30 a.m., TCM):

Reginald Owen as Scrooge in 1938.

*A Very Brady Christmas* (7 a.m., ABC Family):

Carol loses her voice in this 1988 reunion film.

*Little Drummer Boy* (noon, ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Greer Garson.

*Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas* (4:45 p.m., ABC Family):

Halloween king Jack tries to spoil Christmas.

*How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

The Grinch (Jim Carrey) tries to stop Christmas.

*Karen Kingsbury's The Bridge* (8 p.m., Hallmark):

New. College students (Katie Findlay, Wyatt Nash) bond with bookstore owners (Faith Ford, Ted McGinley) in an adaptation of the best-selling novel.

*Everybody Loves Raymond* (8 p.m., TV Land):

The Ball episode starts TV Land's Christmas "Merrython" through "Roseanne" at 5 a.m.

*Sinatra 100 – An All-Star Grammy Concert* (9 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

New. Tony Bennett, Carrie Underwood, Garth Brooks, Alicia Keys, John Legend, Adam Levine and Usher salute Sinatra, who would have turned 100 on DECEMBER 12.

*Santa Claus* (8 p.m., Ch 64):

Dudley Moore, John Lithgow, David Huddleston.

*Everybody Loves Raymond* (8:30 p.m., TV Land):

All I Want For Christmas.

*Everybody Loves Raymond* (9 p.m., TV Land):

The Toaster.

*Everybody Loves Raymond* (9:30 p.m., TV Land):

The Christmas Picture.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 (CONT.)

Everybody Loves Raymond (10 p.m., TV Land):

The Christmas Present.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (10 p.m., ABC Family):

A Griswold (Chevy Chase) family Christmas.

Everybody Loves Raymond (10:30 p.m., TV Land):

Jazz Records.

King of Queens (11 p.m., TV Land):

Better Camera.

King of Queens (11:30 p.m., TV Land):

Mentalo Case.

King of Queens (midnight, TV Land):

Santa Claustrophobia.

King of Queens (12:30 a.m., TV Land):

Baker's Doesn't.

Everybody Loves Raymond (1 a.m., TV Land):

Season's Greetings.

Everybody Loves Raymond (1:30 a.m., TV Land):

The Thought That Counts.

New Adventures of Old Christine (2 a.m., TV Land):

It's Beginning to Stink A Lot Like Christmas.

How I Met Your Mother (2:30 a.m., TV Land):

How Lily Stole Christmas.

How I Met Your Mother (3 a.m., TV Land):

Little Minnesota.

Golden Girls (3:30 a.m., TV Land):

'Twas The Night Before Christmas.

Golden Girls (4 a.m., TV Land):

Have Yourself A Very Little Christmas.

Roseanne (4:30 a.m., TV Land):

Santa Claus.

Roseanne (5 a.m., TV Land):

It's No Place Like Home For The Holidays.

Roseanne (5:30 a.m., TV Land):

White Trash Christmas.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

Little Drummer Boy (9 a.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Greer Garson.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

A Griswold (Chevy Chase) family Christmas.

Candles Burning Brightly (7 p.m., 90.9 WGUC-FM):

A one-hour celebration of Chanukah and its traditional activities, with plenty of music.

Hanukkah Lights 2015 (7 p.m., 91.7 WVXU-FM):

New Hanukkah stories hosted by Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz.

Craft in America: Holiday (8 p.m., CET Arts Ch 48.3):

Clay artist Susan Garson creates Chanukah menorahs.

TV's Funniest Animated Stars: A Paley Center For Media Special (8 p.m., Ch 19, Fox):

Celebration of Mickey Mouse, Bugs Bunny, Homer and Bart Simpson, Donald Duck, SpongeBob SquarePants, Scooby-Doo and the people who provide their voices.

The Great Christmas Light Fight (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

ABC's decorating competition returns for three weeks.

Christmas with the Kranks (8 p.m., AMC):

A couple (Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis) celebrate Christmas.

The Santa Clause (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.



## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8

Pinocchio's Christmas (3 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Pinocchio's gift for Gepetto.

Music of Hanukkah (6:30 p.m., 90.9, WGUC-FM):

Naomi Lewin hosts WGUC-FM's annual celebration with music and stories.

Frosty's Winter Wonderland (6 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Frosty marries.

The Santa Clause (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

Jingle All The Way (8 p.m. AMC):

Dads (Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sinbad) fight over a toy.

The Polar Express (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

Train trip to the North Pole.

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

Little Drummer Boy Book II (9 a.m., ABC Family):

Animated. An orphan helps a man ring silver bells.

Prancer (12:10 p.m., ABC Family):

An injured reindeer brings hope to a child.

Mickey's Christmas Carol (6 p.m., ABC Family):

Disney version of "A Christmas Carol."

The Polar Express (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Train trip to the North Pole.

Scrooged (8 p.m., AMC):

Bill Murray as Scrooge in 1988.

Elf (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

A Christmas Carol (10 p.m., AMC):

George C. Scott as Scrooge in 1984.

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

Nestor, The Long Eared Christmas Donkey (11 a.m., ABC Family):

Animated. A donkey leads the way to Bethlehem.

Little Drummer Boy (4 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Greer Garson.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

A Griswold (Chevy Chase) family Christmas.

Miracle on 34th Street (7 p.m., AMC):

The 1947 film with Edmund Gwenn, Maureen O'Hara and Natalie Wood.

Michael Buble Christmas (8 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Christmas music.

Dolly Parton's Coat of Many Colors (9 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

New bio film about Dolly Parton's Great Smokey Mountains childhood in 1955 with Alyvia Alyn, Jennifer Nettles, Gerald McRaney and Ricky Schroder.

Toy Story 20th Anniversary Special (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Animators, producers and some of the stars talk about the hit 1995 film.

Toy Story (9 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Woody (Tom Hanks) and Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen) save the day, to infinity and beyond!

Miracle on 34th Street (9:15 p.m., AMC):

The 1947 film with Edmund Gwenn, Maureen O'Hara and Natalie Wood.

Purdue 81st Anniversary Christmas Show (10 p.m., Ch 48):

Holiday music.

White Christmas (11:30 p.m. AMC):

Friends (Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney) plan a holiday show in 1954.



## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

White Christmas (2:15 p.m., AMC):

Friends (Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney) plan a holiday show in 1954

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (6:45 p.m., ABC Family):

A Griswold (Chevy Chase) family Christmas.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas (9 p.m., ABC Family):

The Grinch (Jim Carrey) tries to stop Christmas.

The Muppet Movie (7 p.m. AMC):

Kermit and gang go to Hollywood in 1979.

84th Annual Hollywood Christmas Parade (8 p.m., Ch 12.2, CW):

With Erik Estrada, Dean Cain and Montel Williams.

A Muppets Christmas: Letters to Santa (9 p.m., AMC):

Kermit and friends deliver letters to Santa.

Scrooge (10 p.m., TCM): Albert Finney as Scrooge in 1970.

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

Jack Frost (7 a.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Jack Frost falls in love.

The Bells of Fraggle Rock (11:30 a.m., ABC Family):

Jim Henson puppets celebrate Festival of the Bells.

Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas (12:15 p.m., ABC Family):

Jim Henson's otter puppets prepare for Christmas.

Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer (8 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

Animated. Rudolph guides Santa's sleigh so everyone can have a Holly Jolly Christmas.

On the Twelfth Day of Christmas (8 p.m., Hallmark):

A journalist (Brooke Nevin) is told to write about "secret Santa" gifts sent to her secret crush.

B.E. Taylor Christmas (8 p.m., CET Arts Ch 48.3):

Modern arrangements of "Joy to the World" and other holiday favorites.

The Flight Before Christmas (9 p.m., Ch 12 CBS):

Animated. A squirrel helps a young reindeer.

CSO Presents Lumenocity 2015: Masters & Dreamers (9 p.m., Ch 48):

Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra's third Washington Park concert with animation.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

Scrooge (8:30 a.m., TCM):

Seymour Hicks as Scrooge in 1935.

The Bells of Fraggle Rock (10:25 a.m., ABC Family):

Jim Henson puppets celebrate Festival of the Bells.

Emmet Otter's Jug-Band Christmas (11:05 a.m., ABC Family):

Jim Henson's otter puppets prepare for Christmas.

Christmas in Connecticut (noon, TCM):

A writer (Barbara Stanwyck) arranges a fake family for herself in 1945.

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (2 p.m., Ch 19):

Jack Frost tries to prevent Christmas.

Toy Story (4:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Woody (Tom Hanks) and Buzz Lightyear (Tim Allen) save the day, to infinity and beyond!

Toy Story 2 (6:45 p.m., ABC Family):

Woody is stolen by a toy collector.

12 Dogs of Christmas: Great Puppy Rescue (8 p.m., Ch 64):

Emma and Finneas (Danielle Churchran, Sean Patrick Flanery) save a puppy orphanage.

Toy Story That Time Forgot (9 p.m., ABC Family):

The toys fear new dinosaur toys.

Toy Story 3 (9:30 p.m., ABC Family):

The toys are given to a day care center.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

'Twas The Night Before Christmas (9 a.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Joel Grey.

Toy Story That Time Forgot (6 p.m., ABC Family):

The toys fear new dinosaur toys.

Toy Story 3 (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

The toys are given to a day care center

Jingle All The Way (8 p.m. AMC):

Dads (Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sinbad) fight over a toy.

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

Jack Frost (Martin Short) tries to prevent Christmas.

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

Santa Claus is Comin' To Town (5 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Fred Astaire.

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (6 p.m., ABC Family):

Jack Frost tries to prevent Christmas.

Toy Story That Time Forgot (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

The toys fear new dinosaur toys.

Shrek the Halls (8:30 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

The ogre's friends disrupt Christmas.

Christmas with the Kranks (8 p.m., AMC):

A couple (Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis) celebrate Christmas.

Elf (8:15 p.m., ABC Family):

An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

The Little Drummer Boy (10:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Greer Garson.

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Elf (6 p.m., ABC Family):

An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

Jingle All The Way (8 p.m. AMC):

Dads (Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sinbad) fight over a toy.

Ol' Blue Eyes Is Back (8 p.m., TCM):

Frank Sinatra's 1973 comeback concert.

The Polar Express (8:15 p.m., ABC Family):

Train trip to the North Pole.

Nestor, The Long Eared Christmas Donkey (10:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. A donkey leads the way to Bethlehem.



## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Miracle on 34th Street (7 p.m., AMC):

The 1947 film with Edmund Gwenn, Maureen O'Hara and Natalie Wood.

Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas (8 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Animated. Buddy (Jim Parsons) goes to New York to meet his father.

Disney's Prep & Landing (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Animated. Santa's elite elf team plans Christmas.

Disney's Prep & Landing: Naughty vs. Nice (8:30 p.m., ABC):

Animated. Lanny and Wayne recover stolen technology.

Blake Shelton's Not So Family Christmas (9 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Music by Blake Shelton, Christina Aguilera, Kelly Clarkson, Miranda Lambert and Reba McEntire.

iHeartRadio Jingle Ball (8 p.m., Ch 12, CW):

Music by Demi Lovato, Nick Jonas, 5 Seconds of Summer.

Disney's A Christmas Carol (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Jim Carrey as Scrooge.

American St. Nick (10 p.m., Ch 48):

How American Army troops brought Christmas to Luxembourg during World War II.

Babes in Toyland (10 pm, TCM):

Tommy Sands and Annette Funicello save Toyland in 1961.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

Handel's Messiah (6 p.m., 90.9 WGUC-FM):

A 2011 performance by the Trinity Choir and Trinity Baroque Orchestra in the Manhattan church where "Messiah" had its US premiere in 1770.

Disney's Prep & Landing (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Santa's elite elf team plans Christmas.

Disney's Prep & Landing: Naughty vs. Nice (7 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Lanny and Wayne recover stolen technology.

Miracle on 34th Street (7 p.m., AMC):

The 1947 film with Edmund Gwenn, Maureen O'Hara and Natalie Wood.

The Santa Clause (7:30 p.m., ABC Family):

A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

Frosty the Snowman (8 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

Animated. Narrated by Jimmy Durante.

Grandma Got Run Over By A Reindeer (8 p.m., Ch 12.2, CW):

Elmo Shropshire narrates the cartoon based on his novelty song.

Frosty Returns (8:30 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

Animated. Narrated by Jonathan Winters.

Yes, Virginia (8:30 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Animated. A girl questions Santa in 1897.

Home for the Holidays (9 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

Annual CBS special about foster children and adoption.

A Christmas Carol (9:15 p.m., AMC):

George C. Scott as Scrooge in 1984.

Christmas in Connecticut (9:30 p.m., TCM):

A writer (Barbara Stanwyck) arranges a fake family for herself in 1945.

White Christmas (11:45 p.m. AMC):

Friends (Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney) plan a holiday show.





## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

White Christmas (10 a.m. AMC):

Friends (Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney) plan a holiday show.

A Classical Kids Christmas (10:10 a.m., 90.9 WGUC-FM):

Carols and poetry tell the story of Christmas.

A Christmas Carol (5:30 p.m., AMC):

George C. Scott as Scrooge in 1984.

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (7:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Jack Frost tries to prevent Christmas.

A Christmas Melody (8 p.m., Hallmark):

Premiere of Mariah Carey's Christmas movie filmed in Cincinnati about a diva PTA mom (Carey) putting on a holiday pageant where a student (Fina Strazza) sings "Oh Santa." With Lacy Chabert and Kathy Najimy.

I Want A Dog For Christmas, Charlie Brown (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Animated. Lucy's brother wants a dog.

The Wiz Live! (8 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Repeat of DECEMBER 3 telecast starring Shanice Williams, Queen Latifah, Mary J. Blige, Uzo Aduba, David Alan Grier, Ne-Yo, Elijah Kelley and Stephanie Mills.

Scrooged (8 p.m., AMC):

Bill Murray as Scrooge in 1988.

Swing with Bill Cartwright Christmas Special (10 p.m., 91.7 WXXU-FM):

Holiday music.

A Blues Christmas Special (11 p.m., 91.7 WXXU-FM):

Lee Hay hosts holiday music.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

CSO: One City, One Symphony 2015 (2:30 p.m., Ch 48):

Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra concert taped in November.

Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas (3 p.m., ABC Family):

Halloween king Jack tries to spoil Christmas.

Southern Celtic Christmas Concert (6 p.m., Ch 48):

Celtic and Appalachian Christmas music.

Around Cincinnati 11th Annual Christmas Special (7 p.m., 91.7 WXXU-FM):

Phil Nuxhall reads "Twas the Night Before Christmas," followed by holiday music and stories by Kelly Richey, Sonny Moorman, Rick Lisak, William Hogg, Brad Myers, Jim Pelz, Bobby Mackey, Lee Stolar, Suzanne Bona, Richard Goering, Serenity Fisher, Darren Goodman, Stuart Holman, Zak Morgan, Over the Rhine and the Cincinnati Pops.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (7 p.m., ABC Family):

A Griswold (Chevy Chase) family Christmas.

12 Wishes of Christmas (8 p.m., Ch 64):

A mysterious woman grants Laura (Elisa Donovan) 12 wishes.

Hallelujah Handel: The Messiah Phenomenon (9 p.m., 90.9 WGUC-FM):

The history and longevity of Handel's oratio produced by WGUC and Evans Mirageas, Cincinnati Opera artistic director.

Jazz with OT Christmas (10 p.m., 91.7 WXXU-FM):

Christmas jazz hosted by the late Oscar Treadwell.



## MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

Miracle on 34th Street (8 p.m., AMC):

The 1947 film with Edmund Gwenn, Maureen O'Hara and Natalie Wood.

The Santa Clause (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir (9 p.m., Ch 48):

With Santino Fontana and the Muppets.

Christmas at Belmont (10 p.m., Ch 48):

Holiday music hosted by Kathy Mattea.

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Santa Claus is Comin' To Town (5:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated. Narrated by Fred Astaire.

The Santa Clause (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

A Muppets Christmas: Letters to Santa (8 p.m., AMC):

Kermit and friends deliver letters to Santa.

Southern Celtic Christmas Concert (8 p.m., Ch 48):

Celtic and Appalachian Christmas music.

Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas (8:30 p.m., Ch 19, Fox):

Animated. Sid destroys Christmas decorations. With Ciara Bravo as Peaches.

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

Jack Frost tries to prevent Christmas.

The Muppet Movie (9 p.m., AMC):

The Muppets go to Hollywood in 1979.

SNL Christmas (9 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

"Saturday Night Live" Christmas humor.

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23

Mickey's Christmas Carol (7 p.m., ABC Family):

Animated version of "A Christmas Carol."

Vocal Arts Ensemble Candlelit Christmas (7 p.m., 90.0 WGUC-FM):

The Vocal Arts Ensemble performs Christmas favorites with guest conductor Anton Armstrong from the St. Olaf Choir.

Scrooged (7 p.m., AMC):

Bill Murray as Scrooge in 1988.

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (7:30 p.m., ABC Family):

Jack Frost tries to prevent Christmas.

I Love Lucy Christmas Special (8 p.m., Ch 12, CBS):

Colorized 1956 Christmas episode and Lucy's doing a Vitameatavegamin commercial in 1952.

Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir (8 p.m., CET Arts Ch 48.3):

With Santino Fontana and the Muppets.

Happy Holidays with Bing and Frank (8 p.m., TCM):

Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra sing holiday favorites in 1957.

Dr. Seuss' How The Grinch Stole Christmas (8:30 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Animated. Narrated by Boris Karloff.

How Murray Saved Christmas (9 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Animated. A deli owner (Jerry Stiller) fills in for Santa.

Christmas with the Kranks (9 p.m., AMC):

A couple (Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis) celebrate Christmas.

Time Scanners: Jerusalem (10 p.m., Ch 48):

Exploring Jerusalem buildings.



## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols (10 a.m., 90.9 WGUC-FM):

Live broadcast of Bible readings, choral and organ music from King's College in Cambridge, England.

Jonathan Winters' A Christmas Carol (1 p.m., 91.7 WYXU-FM):

The late Jonathan Winters' version of Dickens' holiday classic.

Toy Story That Time Forgot (6 p.m., ABC Family):

The toys fear new dinosaur toys.

National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (6:30 p.m., ABC Family):

A Griswold (Chevy Chase) family Christmas.

A Christmas Carol (7 p.m., FXM Fox Movie channel):

Alistair Sim as Scrooge in 1951.

Christmas with the Kranks (7 p.m., AMC):

A couple (Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis) celebrate Christmas.

It's A Wonderful Life (8 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

An angel helps a suicidal man (James Stewart).

It's Your 50th Christmas, Charlie Brown (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

A musical tribute with Kristen Chenoweth, Sarah McLachlan, Boyz II Men, Pentatonix, David Benoit and All-American Boys Chorus.

A Christmas Story (8 p.m., TBS):

Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) wants a BB gun for Christmas.

Mr. Magoo's Christmas Carol (8 p.m., Ch 12.2, CW):

Animated. Mr. Magoo as Scrooge in 1962.

Everybody Loves Raymond (8:30 p.m., TV Land):

All I Want For Christmas.

Elf (8:45 p.m., ABC Family):

An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

A Charlie Brown Christmas (9 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Linus explains the true meaning of Christmas again.

A Christmas Carol (9 p.m., FXM Fox Movie channel):

Alistair Sim as Scrooge in 1951.

Jingle All The Way (9 p.m. AMC):

Dads fight over a toy.

Everybody Loves Raymond (9 p.m., TV Land):

The Toaster.

Everybody Loves Raymond (9:30 p.m., TV Land):

The Christmas Picture.

Everybody Loves Raymond (10 p.m., TV Land):

The Christmas Present.

A Christmas Story (10 p.m., TBS):

Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) wants a BB gun for Christmas.

A Christmas Carol (11 p.m., FXM Fox Movie channel):

Alistair Sim as Scrooge in 1951.

Christmas Eve Mass (11:34 p.m., Ch 5, NBC):

Live from Vatican City.





## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

Nestor, The Long-Eared Christmas Donkey (11 a.m., ABC Family):

Animated. A donkey leads the way to Bethlehem.

A Christmas Story (2 p.m., TBS):

Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) wants a BB gun for Christmas.

Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause (2:15 p.m., ABC Family):

Jack Frost tries to prevent Christmas.

A Christmas Carol (3 p.m., FXM Fox Movie channel):

Alistair Sim as Scrooge in 1951.

A Christmas Story (4 p.m., TBS):

Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) wants a BB gun for Christmas.

Toy Story That Time Forgot (4:30 p.m., ABC Family):

The toys fear new dinosaur toys.

Elf (5 p.m., ABC Family):

An elf searches for his family.

A Christmas Carol (5 p.m., FXM Fox Movie channel):

Alistair Sim as Scrooge in 1951.

A Christmas Story (6 p.m., TBS):

Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) wants a BB gun for Christmas.

Around Cincinnati 11th Annual Christmas Special (7 p.m., 91.7 WYXU-FM):

Local musicians perform holiday music.

A Christmas Carol (7 p.m., FXM Fox Movie channel):

Alistair Sim as Scrooge in 1951.

CMA Country Christmas (8 p.m., Ch 9, ABC):

Holiday music by Martina McBride, Jennifer Nettles, Pentatonix, LeAnn Rimes, Darius Rucker, Brian Setzer and Michael W. Smith.

Call the Midwife Holiday Special (9 p.m., Ch 48):

Preparing for Christmas in 1960.

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