

HOLIDAY TELEVISION



"A MISER >>  
BROTHERS'  
CHRISTMAS"

# Seasons greetings

We've made our list and checked it twice, so you don't miss your favorite holiday TV show.

— By John Kiesewetter

## November

## December

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

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2 p.m. **"Debbie Macomber's Trading Christmas"** (HALL) A widow (Faith Ford) swaps homes with a professor (Tom Cavanagh).

2 p.m. **"Eve's Christmas"** (LIFE) A woman (Elisa Donovan) wishes upon a Christmas Eve star.

2:30 p.m. **"Bernie Mac Show"** (BET) Bernie cancels Christmas.

3 p.m. **"Scrubs"** (COM) Turk's Christmas.

4 p.m. **"The Christmas Card"** (HALL) A soldier falls in love with a woman who sent cards to the troops.

4 p.m. **"Call Me Claus"** (LIFE) Santa asks a TV producer (Whoopi Goldberg) to replace him.

4:30 p.m. **"Bad Santa"** (COM) Billy Bob Thornton plays Santa.

5 p.m. **"Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer"** (TOON) Animated.

6 p.m. **"Christmas Cupid"** (FAM) A ghost (Ashley Benson) plays matchmaker.

6 p.m. **"The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year"** (HALL) An uncle (Henry Winkler) plays matchmaker.

6 p.m. **"The Road to Christmas"** (LIFE) Claire (Jennifer Grey) hitchhikes to her wedding.

8 p.m. **"Desperately Seeking Santa"** (FAM) David (Nick Zano) wins a Santa contest.

8 p.m. **"Comfort and Joy"** (LIFE) An unconscious woman (Nancy McKeon) awakes to find she is married with two children.

8 p.m. **"Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special"** (COM) Comedy.

9 p.m. **"Celtic Woman: The Greatest Journey"** (Ch 54) Music.

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6 p.m. **"Nestor, The Long-Eared Christmas Donkey"** (FAM) A donkey leads the way to Bethlehem. Animated.

8 p.m. **"Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas"** (Ch 9) Boris Karloff narrates the 1966 cartoon.

8 p.m. **"Scrooged"** (AMC) Bill Murray as Scrooge.

8 p.m. **"Eve's Christmas"** (HALL) A woman (Elisa Donovan) wishes upon a Christmas Eve star.

8:30 p.m. **"Shrek The Halls"** (Ch 9) Animated. The ogre's friends disrupt Christmas.

10 p.m. **"A Diva's Christmas Carol"** (LIFE) Vanessa L. Williams' version of "A Christmas Carol."

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8 p.m. **"Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer"** (Ch 12) Rudolph guides Santa's sleigh.

8 p.m. **"Scrooged"** (AMC) Bill Murray as Scrooge.

10 p.m. **"A Carol Christmas"** (HALL) An trash TV host (Tori Spelling) changes her way.



"PREP AND LANDING" >>

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7 p.m. **"Christmas In Rockefeller Center"** (Ch 5) With Justin Bieber, Tony Bennett, Michael Buble, Cee Lo Green, Faith Hill, Carole King, Katharine McPhee.

8 p.m. **"A Muppets Christmas: Letters to Santa."** (Ch 12.2) Kermit and gang give letters to Santa.

8 p.m. **"Celtic Woman: The Greatest Journey"** (Ch 54) Music.

8 p.m. **"Moonlight and Mistletoe"** (HALL) A daughter (Candace Cameron Bure) fights to keep her dad's Christmas theme park open.

8 p.m. **"Noel"** (LIFE) New Yorkers (Penélope Cruz, Susan Sarandon) get together for Christmas.

8 p.m. **"Scrooged"** (AMC) Bill Murray as Scrooge.

8:30 p.m. **"Prep & Landing 2: Naughty vs. Nice"** (Ch 9) A computer hacker steals North Pole secrets.

10 p.m. **"Our First Christmas"** (HALL) Newlyweds (John Ratzenberger, Dixie Carter) gather their families.

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6:30 p.m. **"Winnie the Pooh and Christmas Too"** (FAM) Animated.

7 p.m. **"The Santa Clause"** (FAM) A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

8 p.m. **"Santa Claus Is Comin' To Town"** (Ch 9) Cartoon narrated by Fred Astaire.

8:30 p.m. **"Santa Buddies"** (DISN) Talking puppies save Christmas.

9 p.m. **"CMA Country Christmas"** (Ch 9) With Sugarland, Amy Grant, Faith Hill, Martina McBride, Scotty McCreery, Brad Paisley, Kellie Pickler, Rascal Flatts, Darius Rucker, Keith Urban, Vince Gill.

9 p.m. **"The Santa Clause"** (FAM) A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

10 p.m. **"Finding John Christmas"** (HALL) A nurse (Valerie Bertinelli) searches for her brother.

"IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE" >>

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7 p.m. **"Hoops & Yo Yo Ruin Christmas"** (HALL) A pink kitty and green bunny ride Santa's sleigh. Animated.

8 p.m. **"Good Luck Charlie, It's Christmas!"** (DISN) Teddy (Bridgit Mendler) is separated from her family at the holidays.

8 p.m. **"How the Grinch Stole Christmas"** (FAM) The grinch (Jim Carrey) tries to ruin Christmas.

10 p.m. **"The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year"** (HALL) An uncle (Henry Winkler) plays matchmaker.



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1:55 p.m. **"Surviving Christmas"** (TBS) A man (Ben Affleck) goes home for Christmas.

2 p.m. **"Debbie Macomber's Trading Christmas"** (HALL).

2 p.m. **"Recipe for a Perfect Christmas"** (LIFE) A food critic (Carly Pope) avoids her mother (Christine Baranski).

4 p.m. **"The Road to Christmas"** (LIFE) Claire (Jennifer Grey) hitchhikes to her wedding.

5 p.m. **"Stellar Awards Gospel Tribute To The Holidays"** (Ch 64) Music.

6 p.m. **"Farewell Mr. Kringle"** (HALL) A writer (Christine Taylor) interviews Santa in the town of Mistletoe.

6 p.m. **"A Christmas Proposal"** (LIFE) Lawyers (Nicole Eggert, David O'Donnell) battle over a ski resort.

6:15 p.m. **"Home Alone"** (ENC) Kevin (Macaulay Culkin) outwits Christmas thieves.

7 p.m. **"The Heart of Christmas"** (GMC) An Illinois town celebrates Christmas early for a sick child. With Candace Cameron Bure, George Newbern.

7 p.m. **"Crazy Christmas Lights"** (TLC)

8 p.m. **"It's A Wonderful Life"** (Ch 5) (James Stewart).

8 p.m. **"The Santa Clause 2"** (ENC) Santa (Tim Allen) needs a bride.

8 p.m. **"A Princess For Christmas"** (HALL) A duke (Roger Moore) invites his grandchildren to Christmas.

8 p.m. **"Nothing Like The Holidays"** (LIFE) Christmas with the Rodriguez family (John Leguizamo, Debra Messing).

8 p.m. **"Invasion Of The Christmas Lights 2"** (TLC)

9 p.m. **"Invasion Of The Christmas Lights 3: Europe"** (TLC)

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1:15 p.m. **"Silver Bells"** (HALL) A runaway teen connects with a widow (Anne Heche).

2 p.m. **"A Christmas Wedding"** (LIFE) A bride-to-be (Sarah Paulson) is stranded.

2:05 p.m. **"Disney's A Christmas Carol"** (STARZ) Animated. With Jim Carrey.

3:30 p.m. **"A Dog Named Christmas"** (HALL) A mentally challenged man (Noel Fisher) helps an animal shelter at Christmas.

4 p.m. **"Under the Mistletoe"** (LIFE) Susan (Jaime Ray Newman) enters a dating contest.

5:45 p.m. **"November Christmas"** (HALL) A town brings Christmas early to a sick child. With John Corbett.

6 p.m. **"Undercover Christmas"** (LIFE) A FBI agent brings home his star witness (Jami Gertz).

6:30 p.m. **"Christmas With The Celts"** (Ch 48) With Mairead Ni Mhaonaigh, Ivan Goff.

8:30 p.m. **"Good Luck Charlie, It's Christmas!"** (DISN) Teddy (Bridgit Mendler) is separated from her family during the holidays.

8 p.m. **"Hollywood Christmas Special At The Grove"** (Ch 64) From Los Angeles.

9 p.m. **"San Antonio Holiday River Parade"** (Ch 64)

10 p.m. **"A Christmas Carol: The Musical"** (LMN) With Kelsey Grammer, Jason Alexander.

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7 p.m. **"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer & The Island of Misfit Toys"** (FAM) Rudolph saves Christmas again.

7 p.m. **"Johnny Test"** (TOON) Johnny wants a snowball maker.

8 p.m. **"A Charlie Brown Christmas"** (Ch 9) Charlie Brown looks for the true meaning of Christmas.

8 p.m. **"A Christmas Carol"** (AMC) George C. Scott as Scrooge.

8 p.m. **"The Good Witch's Gift"** (HALL) A witch (Catherine Bell) plans a Christmas eve wedding.

8 p.m. **"Holiday Switch"** (LIFE) Paula (Nicole Eggert) thinks she married the wrong man.

8:30 p.m. **"Prep & Landing 2: Naughty vs. Nice"** (Ch 9) A computer hacker steals North Pole secrets.

8:30 p.m. **"The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause"** (DISN) Jack Frost (Martin Short) tries to prevent Christmas.

8:30 p.m. **"The Polar Express"** (FAM) A train conductor takes a boy to the North Pole.

9:30 p.m. **"Straight No Chaser: Songs Of The Decades: Holiday Edition"** (Ch 48) Music.

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6 p.m. **"'Twas the Night Before Christmas"** (FAM) Cartoon narrated by Joel Grey.

8 p.m. **"A Michael Buble Christmas"** (Ch 5) Music.

8 p.m. **"A Christmas Carol"** (AMC) George C. Scott as Scrooge.

8 p.m. **"The Night Before Christmas"** (HALL) Santa crashes on a couple's roof (Jennifer Beals, Rick Roberts).

8:30 p.m. **"The Nightmare Before Christmas"** (DISN) The Pumpkin King doesn't like Christmas.

9 p.m. **"A Christmas Story"** (TCM) Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) wants a BB gun.

10 p.m. **"The Family Holiday"** (LMN) A con man (Dave Coulier) turns family man.

"YES VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS" >>

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6 p.m. **"A Very Pink Christmas"** (FAM) Pink Panther cartoons.

7:30 p.m. **"Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas"** (TOON) Boris Karloff narrates the 1966 cartoon.

8 p.m. **"Tom & Jerry: A Nutcracker Tale"** (TOON) Animated.

8 p.m. **"A Christmas Carol"** (AMC) George C. Scott as Scrooge.

8 p.m. **"An Accidental Christmas"** (LIFE) Kids plot to reunite their parents (Cynthia Gibb, David Millbern).

8 p.m. **"The Christmas Blessing"** (LMN) A medical resident (Neil Patrick Harris) falls in love with a teacher.

8:30 p.m. **"The Ultimate Christmas Present"** (DISN) Girls make it snow in Los Angeles.

9 p.m. **"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"** (FAM) A Griswold (Chevy Chase) Christmas.

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6 p.m. **"Jack Frost"** (FAM) Animated. Jack Frost falls in love.

6 p.m. **"The Christmas Choir"** (HALL) An accountant (Jason Gedrick) starts a homeless shelter choir.

7 p.m. **"Frosty's Winter Wonderland"** (FAM) Frosty marries.

7:30 p.m. **"Cranberry Christmas"** (FAM) Animated.

8 p.m. **"Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town"** (FAM) Narrated by Fred Astaire.

8:30 p.m. **"Good Luck Charlie, It's Christmas!"** (DISN) Teddy (Bridgit Mendler) is separated from her family during the holidays.

9 p.m. **"The Year Without A Santa Claus."** (FAM) Animated. Santa takes the year off.



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6 p.m. **"A Very Cool Christmas"** (LMN) Santa (George Hamilton) gets a makeover.

8 p.m. **"Frosty the Snowman"** (Ch 12) Cartoon narrated by Jimmy Durante.

8 p.m. **"The Santa Clause"** (FAM) A divorced dad (Tim Allen) becomes Santa.

8 p.m. **"Four Christmases"** (TNT) A couple's (Vince Vaughn, Reese Witherspoon) plans fall apart.

8:30 p.m. **"Frosty Returns"** (Ch 12) Cartoon narrated by Jonathan Winters.

9 p.m. **"Yes Virginia, There Is A Santa Claus"** (Ch 12) Cartoon about a girl questioning Santa in 1897.

9:30 p.m. **"Elf On The Shelf: An Elf's Story"** (Ch 12) An elf helps a boy believe in Christmas. Animated.

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Noon **"Olive, The Other Reindeer"** (TOON) A dog helps Santa. Animated.

1 p.m. **"Elf"** (USA) An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

2 p.m. **"Unaccompanied Minors"** (FAM) Kids stranded on Christmas eve in an airport.

4 p.m. **"Noel"** (LIFE) New Yorkers (Penélope Cruz, Susan Sarandon) come together on Christmas.

6 p.m. **"Moonlight and Mistletoe"** (HALL)

6 p.m. **"Home By Christmas"** (LIFE)

8 p.m. **"Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer"** (Ch 12) Rudolph guides Santa's sleigh.

8 p.m. **"The Polar Express"** (DISN) A train conductor takes a boy to the North Pole.

8 p.m. **"Jingle All the Way"** (ENC) Dads (Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sinbad) fight over a toy.

8 p.m. **"The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause"** (FAM) Jack Frost (Martin Short) tries to prevent Christmas.

8 p.m. **"Annie Claus Is Coming To Town"** (HALL) Santa's daughter (Maria Thayer) moves to Los Angeles.

8 p.m. **"A Nanny for Christmas"** (LIFE) An unemployed woman (Emmanuelle Vaugier) works for an advertising exec.

8 p.m. **"Fred Claus"** (TNT) Santa bails out his brother (Vince Vaughn).

9 p.m. **"The Flight Before Christmas"** (Ch 12) A flying squirrel teaches a young reindeer to fly. Animated.

10 p.m. **"Home for the Holidays"** (LIFE) Martha (Sean Young) adopts her nieces and nephews.

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Noon **"The Case for Christmas"** (HALL) Santa gets sued and hires a lawyer (Dean Cain).

2 p.m. **"Santa Baby"** (FAM) A businesswoman (Jenny McCarthy) helps Santa.

5 p.m. **"Children's Medical Center Holiday Parade"** (Ch 64) From Dallas.

5 p.m. **"The Holiday"** (LIFE) Women (Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet) swap homes for Christmas.

6 p.m. **"Holiday in Handcuffs"** (FAM) Trudie (Melissa Joan Hart) kidnaps a man (Mario Lopez) to be her boyfriend.

6 p.m. **"The Town Christmas Forgot"** (HALL) A stranded family organizes a pageant.

8 p.m. **"12 Dates Of Christmas"** (FAM) Kate (Amy Smart) keeps re-living a bad blind date (Mark-Paul Gosselaar).

8 p.m. **"The Christmas Pageant"** (HALL) A Broadway veteran (Melissa Gilbert) directs a holiday show.

8 p.m. **"White House Christmas 2011"** (HGT) Decorating the White House.

8 p.m. **"On Strike for Christmas"** (LIFE) A mom (Daphne Zuniga) won't help her family prepare for Christmas.

8 p.m. **"Everybody Loves Raymond"** (TVL) 6 holiday episodes back-to-back.

10 p.m. **"Call Me Claus"** (TNT) Santa asks a TV producer (Whoopi Goldberg) to replace him.

11 p.m. **"King of Queens"** (TVL) 4 holiday episodes back-to-back.

1 a.m. **"Roseanne"** (TVL) 5 holiday episodes back-to-back.

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6 p.m. **"A Flintstone Christmas"** (FAM) Fred and Barney play Santa.

7 p.m. **"Johnny Test"** (TOON) Johnny's snow ball fight.

8 p.m. **"I Want A Dog For Christmas, Charlie Brown"** (Ch 9) Animated.

8 p.m. **"White Christmas"** (AMC) Friends (Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney, Vera-Ellen) plan a holiday show.

8 p.m. **"Santa Jr."** (HALL) Santa's son is accused of theft.

8 p.m. **"A Christmas Carol"** (TCM) With Alastair Sim.

8:45 p.m. **"Mad TV"** (TOON) Christmas cartoons from the magazine.

9 p.m. **"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"** (FAM) A Griswold (Chevy Chase) Christmas.

10 p.m. **"A Christmas Wedding Tail"** (HALL) Dog owners (Jennie Garth, Brad Rowe) fall in love.

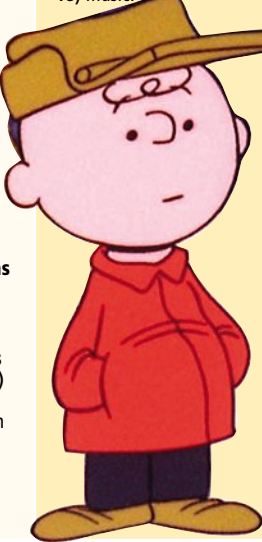
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8 p.m. **"Christmas With The Mormon Tabernacle Choir"** (Ch 48) With David Archuleta.

8 p.m. **"How the Grinch Stole Christmas"** (FAM) The grinch (Jim Carrey) tries to ruin Christmas.

8:30 p.m. **"'Twas the Night"** (DISN) A man (Bryan Cranston) steals Santa's sleigh.

9 p.m. **"Purdue Christmas Show"** (Ch 48) Music.



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8 p.m. **"Live From Lincoln Center: George Balanchine's The Nutcracker"** (Ch 48) New York City Ballet.

8 p.m. **"Purdue Christmas Show"** (Ch 48.3) Holiday concert.

8 p.m. **"MAD TV"** (TOON) Christmas cartoons from the magazine.

8 p.m. **"White Christmas"** (AMC) Friends (Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney, Vera-Ellen) plan a holiday show.

8 p.m. **"A Princess For Christmas"** (HALL) A duke (Roger Moore) invites his grandchildren to Christmas.

8 p.m. **"A Nanny for Christmas"** (LIFE) An unemployed woman (Emmanuelle Vaugier) works for an advertising exec.

8:30 p.m. **"Beauty and the Beast: The Enchanted Christmas"** (DISN) Animated.

8:30 p.m. **"Ed, Edd 'n Eddy's Jingle Jangle"** (TOON) Animated.

9 p.m. **"Holidays At Murray State"** (Ch 48.3) Music.

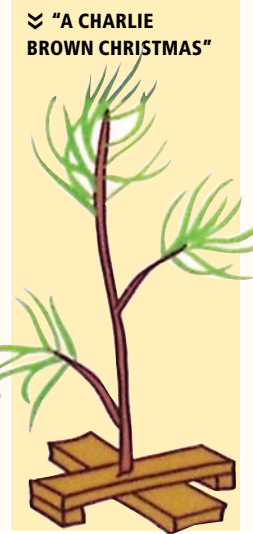
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6 p.m. **"A Chipmunk Christmas"** (FAM) Animated.

8 p.m. **"A Charlie Brown Christmas"** (Ch 9) The 1965 Christmas classic.

8 p.m. **"Miracle On 34th Street"** (AMC) The 1947 Edmund Gwenn-Maureen O'Hara original.

8:30 p.m. **"Santa Buddies"** (DISN) Talking puppies save Christmas.



≈ "A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS"

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8 p.m. **"Happiness Is A Warm Blanket, Charlie Brown"** (Ch 19) Animated. With Ciara Bravo as Patty.

8 p.m. **"Christmas With the Kranks"** (FX) A couple (Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis) celebrate Christmas.

8 p.m. **"The Bishop's Wife"** (TCM) An angel saves a man (Cary Grant) from spiritual doubt.

8 p.m. **"Christmas in Washington"** (TNT) With Conan O'Brien, Justin Bieber, Cee Lo Green, Jennifer Hudson.

9 p.m. **"Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas"** (Ch 19) Peaches (Ciara Bravo) and Manny (Ray Romano) go to the North Pole.

9 p.m. **"Elf"** (USA) An elf (Will Ferrell) searches for his family.

10 p.m. **"Christmas in Connecticut"** (TCM) A writer (Barbara Stanwyck) arranges a fake family.

10 p.m. **"Battle of the Bulbs"** (HALL) Neighbors (Daniel Stern, Matt Frewer) compete with decorations.

10 p.m. **"Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives"** (FOOD) North Pole Christmas.

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Noon **"The Cricket on the Hearth"** (Ch 19) Animated.

Noon **"Holiday Festival on Ice"** (Ch 64) Skating with Kurt Browning.

1 p.m. **"Nutcracker on Ice."** (Ch 64) Skating special.

1 p.m. **"A Miser Brothers' Christmas"** (FAM) Animated. Brothers help Santa.

1 p.m. **"Will You Merry Me?"** (LIFE) A Christian and his Jewish fiancée gather their families for the holidays.

2 p.m. **"Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town"** (FAM) Cartoon narrated by Fred Astaire.

3 p.m. **"Frosty's Winter Wonderland"** (FAM) Animated. Frosty marries.

3 p.m. **"A Very Merry Daughter of the Bride"** (LIFE) A wedding planner (Joanna Garcia) objects to her mother's marriage plans.

5 p.m. **"The Holiday"** (LIFE) Women (Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet) swap homes for Christmas.

8 p.m. **"Christmas With The Mormon Tabernacle Choir"** (Ch 48.3) With David Archuleta.

8 p.m. **"Christmas Comes Home To Canaan"** (HALL) Daniel (Billy Ray Cyrus) takes his son to California for surgery.

8 p.m. **"Frosty the Snowman"** (Ch 12) Cartoon narrated by Jimmy Durante.

8:30 p.m. **"Frosty Returns"** (Ch 12) Cartoon narrated by Jonathan Winters.

9 p.m. **"CMA Country Christmas"** (Ch 9) With Sugarland, Faith Hill, Martina McBride, Scotty McCreery, Brad Paisley, Rascal Flatts, Darius Rucker, Vince Gill.

9 p.m. **"The Story of Santa Claus"** (Ch 12) Animated.