

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Festive Fellowship

Saturday,  
December 7, 6:00pm



Mark your calendars for Festive Fellowship! We will be gathering for scrumptious appetizers and delicious desserts in the Fellowship Hall starting at 6:00 pm. (As last year, we will not be going to individual homes for dinner.) Please sign up on the poster in the Narthex to indicate what you would like to bring. We hope to see you there!

### Masisiwe Student Scholarship Fund Thank You

Thanks to 25 individuals/families plus donations from the Endowment Fund and Women's Ministry, we met our goal and sent \$6,265 to Bega Kwa Bega for the further education of our Masisiwe Students! We currently have 18 students being supported with some of them in vocational schools and one in seminary training. As is often said, "When you educate a child, you educate a village". Please continue to pray for all the students including one whose name you may have received. They are now facing exams that determine their advancement for the 2025 school year. Asante Sana from the Masisiwe children and the CTK Mission Ministry for your generous support.

For pastoral care or other needs please contact the Pastor or the church office at 651-429-4828.

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**WORDS**  
FOR THE BEGINNING

### Advent Calendars & Devotion Books

Stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex and pick up an Advent calendar and/or Devotion book for December. Each day in December, children and the young at heart can color in a new shape on the calendar containing a daily word to learn and use. Our other Advent calendar option is a photo-a-day challenge to share online. You can share a photo for each word on the CTK Facebook page - a prompt will be posted each day with the word. The daily words are the same for both calendars so all ages can engage in this daily practice.



### Thank you

to all who shared their estimate of giving cards for 2025. If you have not shared your estimate of giving card for 2025 yet, please put it in the offering plate or give it to Joe Moore, Financial Secretary. We are grateful for your commitment to support the mission and ministry at CTK!



*First Sunday of Advent*  
December 1, 2024

**Worship Leader**  
Pastor Rebecca Sullivan

**Music Leader**  
Ann Braaten

**LAM**  
Trip Sullivan

**Reader**  
Ann Jonell

**Acolyte**  
Jack Sulllivan

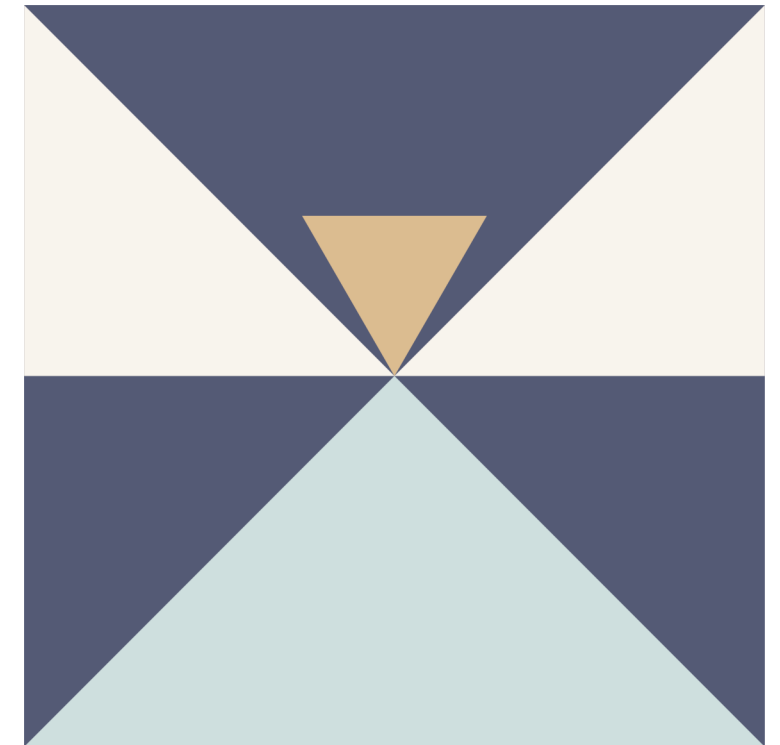
**Communion**  
Karen Eian, Howard Juni

**Ushers**  
Mike Wallace, Carol Humphrey

**AV**  
Craig Carlson, Mike Stepan

**Altar Guild**  
Lori Fredericks, Lori Wills

**Hospitality**  
Mike Wallace,  
Terry & Peggy Keohen,  
Joe Danielson, Polly Morrison



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FOR THE BEGINNING  
— YOU ARE A BLESSING —

1660 Birch Lake Avenue, White Bear Lake, MN 55110

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE	“Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah ,” by W. Wold	Ann Braaten
CALL TO WORSHIP		Screen
ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING		Screen
	“Light One Candle to Wait for Messiah,” ELW 240, v 1 (Cranberry book)	
*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS		Screen
*GATHERING HYMN	“O God, Our Help in Ages Past,” ELW 632 (Cranberry book)	Screen
*GREETING		
*PRAYER OF THE DAY		Screen
	<i>Let us pray,</i> <b>Affirming God, How often do you speak to us and how often do we miss it? Open our hearts. Create us space in us to not only hear these words but to believe the good news. We are hungry for your wisdom, so speak to us now. With hope and curiosity, we listen. With hope and curiosity, we dare to begin again. Amen.</b>	
CHORAL ANTHEM	“Ave, Ave, the Angels Sang,” by R. Lau	King’s Choir
LESSON	Isaiah 43:1-7, p 585 NRSV	
PSALM	Psalms 25:1-10 (read responsively), p 436 NRSV	Screen
*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION	“Emmanuel,” by B. McGee	Screen
*GOSPEL	Luke 1:26-38, p 831 NRSV	
CHILDREN / YOUTH TIME		Pastor Rebecca
SERMON		Pastor Rebecca
*HYMN OF THE DAY	“The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came,” ELW 265 (Cranberry book)	Screen
*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		Screen
	After each petition: <i>Leader: ...Lord, in your mercy,</i> <b>All: receive our prayer.</b>	

*Leader: Savior of the nations, come, and receive these prayers and the pleas of our hearts, in the name of Jesus Christ.*

**All: Amen.**

*PEACE		Screen
OFFERING	“Comfort, Comfort These My People ,” by M. Burkhardt	Ann Braaten
*OFFERTORY	“Lord of All Good,” by B. B. Tradup	Screen
*OFFERING PRAYER		Screen
	<i>Let us pray,</i> <b>Creator God, you made the whole world, even the farthest stars, and you draw near to feed us. We praise you for these gifts of bread and wine. Strengthen us with this food that we may live in expectation for the advent of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</b>	
*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		Screen
*SANCTUS	“Holy, Holy, Holy,” p 108, setting 1	Screen
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION		
*THE LORD’S PRAYER		Screen
DISTRIBUTION	“Lamb of God,” p 191, setting 8 “Now the Heavens Start to Whisper,” ACS 901 (Purple book)	Screen
POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER		Screen
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
*BLESSING		Screen
*SENDING HYMN	“In Case No One Ever Told You,” Sung to the tune of ELW 858 (Cranberry book)	Screen
*SENDING		Screen
POSTLUDE	“Prepare the Royal Highway,” by P. Manz	Ann Braaten

***Thank you for worshiping with us today!***  
*Please join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.*