### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Christmas Program**

Calling all kids and youth! We need your help to put on our Christmas program during worship on December 15. Talk to Pastor Rebecca or Erica if you have not already volunteered for a role (speaking or non-speaking). Everyone will be invited to take a costume and participate in the program – no rehearsal needed for adults! Youth and children with speaking roles will meet on Sunday, December 15 at 8:15 am to run through the program ahead of time.

# **Giving Tree**

CTK will again have a Giving Tree with ornaments to support ELCA Good Gifts. Select the gift you'd like to give to grow the church, fight hunger, and transform lives and write a check to CTK with "ELCA Good Gifts" in the memo.

We'll also have \$10 ornaments to support a meal at Shobi's Table, a pay-as-you-can mobile café in St. Paul. Take an ornament and write a check to CTK with "Shobi's Table" in the memo.

Ornaments can be taken from the tree. You can share your ornament with someone to give a gift in honor of them or bring it home to put on your Christmas tree.



# **Advent Calendars**

Stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex and pick up an Advent calendar 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 for the Festive Fellowship

Thank you to the Fellowship Team – Jason Clapper, Cyndi Frankel, Sharon Burback, Sandy Nollan, Sally Hesse, and Cathy Carlson – for their work to make the Festive Fellowship a great event. The Fellowship Hall looks ready for the Advent/Christmas season and the appetizers and desserts were delicious. Thank you for bringing CTK together for a night of fellowship and fun.

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



# Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2024

#### **Worship Leader**

Pastor Rebecca Sullivan

# **Music Leader**

Lyn Campbell

#### LAM

Bea Jones

#### Reader

Mike Stepan

## Communion

Kathy Langstraat Ann Jonell

#### **Ushers**

Scott Tradup Michelle Murray

## ΑV

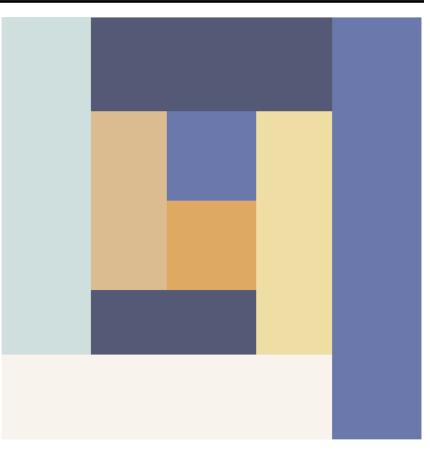
Janelle VanSloun Craig Carlson

#### **Altar Guild**

Karen Eian Becky Thompson

## Hospitality

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





\*Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING "My Deliverer," by R. Mullins KHB

CALL TO WORSHIP Screen

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING Screen

"Light One Candle to Wait for Messiah," ELW 240, v 2 (Cranberry Book)

\*CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS Screen

\*GATHERING HYMN "Awake, Awake," ELW 242 (Cranberry Book) Screen

\*GREETING Screen

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY Screen

Let us pray,

Holy God,

The words of this world whip around us like a mighty wind. We are caught up in news reports, in text message, in emails and notifications. But here on this morning we remember: you too are speaking. Still the voices around us. Calm our minds and center our hearts so we can hear your words above the wind. We are beginning again. Speak to us, as only you can. Amen.

CHORAL ANTHEM "An Advent Credo," by J. Martin King's Choir

LESSON Ecclesiastes 4:9-12, p 538 NRSV

READING Luke 1:68-79 (read responsively) p 832 NRSV Screen

\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Glory Hallelujah," by L. Olson Screen

\*GOSPEL Ruth 1:8-18, *p 210 NRSV* 

CHILDREN & YOUTH TIME Pastor Rebecca

SERMON Pastor Rebecca

HYMN OF THE DAY "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love," by P. Scholtes Screen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

<u>After each petition:</u> Leader: ...Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Leader: We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

All: Amen.

PEACE		Screen
OFFERING	"Offering," by P. Baloche	КНВ

\*OFFERTORY "Lord of All Good," by B. B. Tradup Screen

\*OFFERING PRAYER Screen

Let us pray,

Nourishing God, Sometimes we tell ourselves that too much has taken place to begin again. The world is too far gone. We've made too many mistakes. But then we come to this Table and get a glimpse of your kingdom. All are welcomed, all are seen, all are fed. Just like that, we have hope. Just like that, we begin again. Thank you for meeting us in ordinary bread and wine to remind us that it is never too late to build your kingdom here. We are so grateful. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		Screen	
*SANCTUS	Holy Holy," STS 98 (Grey Book)	Screen	
*WORDS OF INSTITUTION			
*THE LORD'S PRAYER		Screen	

DISTRIBUTION "Lamb of God," by M. Maher Screen "One Bread, One Body," ELW 496 Screen

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER Screen

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*BLESSING Screen

\*SENDING HYMN "Messiah," by L. Olson Screen

\*SENDING OUT Screen

POSTLUDE "I Will Follow," by C. Tomlin KHB

## Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Please join us for coffee in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. Sunday School is available for Pre-K - Grade 5 at the same time in the Education Wing.

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