



Wanted: Outdoor Christmas Lights

The church would like to borrow or receive working outdoor Christmas lights (either colored or white) to decorate some of our trees. Please bring them to the church office by December 4.

Thank you!



December 2020 THE VOICE

*"How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I take counsel in my soul
and have sorrow in my heart all the day?
How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?"*

Psalms 13:1-2

The church calendar reserves the season of Advent as a time of reflection and waiting. Advent is a season in the church's life when we deliberately turn our thoughts and attention to what it means to be a people-in-waiting. Something we know a lot about this year.

During Advent, we might imagine ourselves as the people of Israel, waiting for a long-promised Messiah to fulfill long-held promises, a promise of a Savior. We can do that, but we already know the end of the story. In just a few weeks, we celebrate that promise in the story of a babe born of Mary.

Especially this year, we might find ourselves waiting for Jesus' return and the renewal of all things, waiting for desperate situations to change.

Waiting can be painful. Like David pleads in Psalm 13, "How long, O Lord?" When will there be relief for all that we wait for? Haven't we been waiting long enough? Clearly, there are millions who share our prayer this year. God is with us in our waiting. Hold fast to the hope you find in faith, as God's promise is sure.

Pastor Arne



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EMBRACED BY GOD'S LOVE WE REACH OUT TO SERVE BECAUSE OUR REDEEMER LIVES

Holy Communion at Home

By Pastor Kendra

This fall, as we have resumed meeting for worship online, we have invited you to prepare bread and grape juice or wine at home to commune at home as we commune in the recording.

This practice emphasizes a few aspects of Holy Communion I think are essential:

First, using bread and wine or grape juice we get from our own cupboards emphasizes the everyday nourishment of the elements. Jesus used common food and drink to emphasize how Holy Communion is intended to feed us physically as well as spiritually. In the early church, Holy Communion was part of a feast intended to fill people both body and soul.

Second, it emphasizes what “makes” the bread and wine or grape juice sacramental is not the *source* of the bread and wine or grape juice—whether it comes from your pantry or the church. What makes the bread and wine and grape juice a sacrament is Jesus’ promise that he is truly present in the elements and our faith that this is a meal of grace and forgiveness.

Third, it cautions me to be humble. Though I’ve blessed wafers in hospital rooms, in living rooms, at church camp, and in office buildings, I still had in my mind that God’s grace present in the bread and wine was confined to that particular space, at the specific time, and with that gathering of people. This pandemic has stretched me in so many ways. As a leader of worship, it has pushed me to wonder why I place such boundaries on God’s grace. Who am I to say that the Holy Spirit cannot extend from 3580 N. Benton to your living room? Who am I to say that the Holy Spirit cannot move beyond Thursday morning when we record worship to you on a Sunday or Monday?

These are some of the positive elements of this practice - there are drawbacks.

What I don’t like about communing when we are not physically present with one another is we miss being the community of Christ gathered together around the table. I have a deep concern that some will stay away from church even when we are able to gather safely and want to continue to worship online, not out of physical necessity, but because they believe they can get everything they need virtually. My experience of being a follower of Jesus calls me back to the church—not to the place so much as the people. It’s not about the building; as you know, we “do church” in hospital rooms, cafes, living rooms, community gardens, and even outside. I need the body of Christ—you—in order to be a follower of Christ. I need YOU to hear my confession of sin, be reminded of who I really am and who I ought to be, learn from you all how to love as Christ loved, be encouraged and challenged, and be in worship together. I desperately miss gathering for worship and fellowship, and I yearn for that day when we are able to gather again in person. We need one another.

My thinking on these matters has changed over time. When we first started offering online worship in March, I naively thought we would be done with the pandemic by late summer—at the latest. (Ha!) As the months have ticked by and we have had to resume online worship, our deep need for the grace, love, and forgiveness of God found in Holy Communion caused me to rethink the costs and gifts of including Communion as part of our online liturgy. Thank you for the grace you offer to me and the leaders of the church as we continue to figure out what it means to be the church in these most unusual and unpredictable times.



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Long Term Prayer Concerns

Help us update our Long Term Prayer Concerns list by calling the church office.

Our Members

Phyllis Bauer	Christine Hoffman	Jessi Putnam	Kim Venetz
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Roberta Carey	Blake McHugh	Verna Strand	Adam Williams
Malinda Diamond	Dale Mickus	Joe Toro	

Our Family and Friends

Allie (Luci Pearson)	Patsy Link (Luci Pearson’s sister-in-law)
Zachary Ark	Janessa and Maryssa Martin and Cheyene Bade
Brandon Bach	(Roberta Carey’s great nieces)
Victor Bachmier	Ricki McDanold (Denise Richards)
Lisa Bell (Lynnette Avery’s niece)	Amanda Miller (Larry & Delores Rosin’s granddaughter)
Julie Bliss (Nadine Sim)	Lee Nees (Tami Wadham’s mother)
Steve Boyter	Chris O’Connor (Cheri Goosen’s cousin)
Dean Bunkowske	Laura Oleson (Debbie Hurni’s sister-in-law)
Cody Carey (Richard & Roberta’s great grandson)	Elsie Phillips (Teresa Schulz’s mother)
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Jake Dirks (Lori Chase)	Bob Shearer (Kaytlyn Shearer)
Stormy Flinders	Dorothy Tangen (Craig Erickson’s aunt)
The Fox Family (Brooke Sampson)	Mark Thompson (Kim Anfinson’s brother)
Tom Hammond (Sue Hill’s dad)	Ray Lynn Van Oort (Carol Kimble)
Cristy Hartman (Luci Pearson)	Will (Luci Pearson’s brother)
Carter Hasselbach (Friend of the Preschool)	Doug Williams (Leona Williams’ son)
Carol Henry (Luci Pearson)	Families of suicide victims
Shelby Howke (Amber Lamping)	
Donna Hurni (Neal Hurni)	
Ed Kinsey (Kim Ewing)	
Ken Kolar (Carol Kimble’s brother)	
Shawn Kraft and Family (The Arks)	
Chelsi Kral (Kim & Carl Anfinson’s daughter)	
Jared Larsen (Ruth Reed’s grandson)	

Our Family and Friends Serving in the Military

Jeremy Bauer	Jackie Copenhaver-Girard	Wade Hemry	Keith Nordquist
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Lonnie Cook	Austin Grieve	Colton Johnson	Scott Pocha
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Sage Ellis	Sam Harris	Kent McGowan	Tanner Reddig
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Joe Fischer	Paul Horst	Erin Mills	Victoria Stipcich
Grant Gagnon	Anela Hemry	Brian Neal	

Our Seminarian

Baird Linke

Christmas Eve Worship

This year we are not able to gather together for Christmas worship. Instead, we will be joining in an online worship with St. John’s and New Life Lutheran Church. The service will be available on our website, beginning on December 24th.

During the day, on December 24th, our pastors will be available for you and your family to drop by the church for communion. This will take place from 1:00 -6:00 pm.

We have prepared a Christmas day liturgy for you to share with your family. We encourage you to use this opportunity to worship as a family. We are mailing the liturgy to you in a week or so.

The longest night of the Year
Blue Christmas Worship
December 21st

The holiday season can be a time of year when those who have experienced loss feel our loss most deeply. For some among us, the Christmas season is anything but cheery. We may have experienced the death of a loved one, the loss of a job, living with a disease; loss comes in many forms. On Monday, December 21st, the longest night of the year, we will be offering worship for those of us who may be feeling especially “blue” this year.

Our worship service will take place in our sanctuary at 6:00 pm. It will be a time of prayer and reflection, offering comfort and hope. We are limited to 25 people, so reservations are required. Please call the church office for reservations. If there is more interest, we may schedule a second service. Throughout the day on December 21st, the sanctuary will be open for individuals to come and pray from 10 am – 6 pm. There will be a prayer team available, and you may want to light a candle to commemorate some loss you may be feeling.



Goings on at Our Redeemer’s in December

- Advent worship services will feature special music by the ORLC youth, Capital High School Strings and the ORLC choir
- Sunday morning worship online. Our services may be viewed anytime beginning with 9:30 am on Sundays
- Drop-in communion - Tuesday, December 8th, 10 am - noon and 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Pastor Arne will be available for you to drop by to receive Holy Communion.
- Service of the Word with meditation. Worship live in the sanctuary on Monday at 5:30 pm, Wednesday at 3:00 pm, and Friday at 11:00 am.
- Blue Christmas worship Monday, December 21st, 6:00 pm (reservations required)
- Blue Christmas prayer and meditation December 21st, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm prayer teams will be available to pray with you or just stop by for a quiet time of mediation and reflection

Christmas meditative walk to the manger - All are welcome to experience the peace and calm at our outdoor luminary path and nativity. Pass by the lighted evergreen trees, remembering the saints that have gone before us. Then, follow the luminary path to an empty stable, rest or pause by a straw bale and meditate on the light that is brought into the world with birth of Christ Jesus. We wait in anticipation in the light knowing that the "...darkness shall not overcome it" (John 1:5). May we all find peace and hope in His Light this Christmas.

- Christmas Eve day drop-in communion 1:00-6:00 pm
- Christmas Eve worship Online. This special worship may be viewed at any time beginning with December 24th. We join in worship with St. John’s and New Life Lutheran Churches.

GOD'S LOVE

Hunger Team is holding the annual hat, glove/ mittens, sock drive for God's Love during December & January. Also, they could use travel size shampoo's, conditioners, and hand lotion. With Covid on the spread and the use of hand sanitizer and handwashing, they need some hand care. Any additional warm clothing, boots, or hygiene products are always appreciated. If you can donate an item or two, anything helps. The donation box for God's Love is located in the church foyer.

THANK YOU to Our Redeemer's congregation for the continual prayers, support, and generosity to God's Love throughout the entire year. Your incredible giving and thoughtfulness shower God's Love with your love and kindness. What a blessing for Helena and the surrounding communities that we have God's Love!

Let the miracle and magic of Christmas bring love and peace to you and the world.



Holiday Food Drive for Helena Food Share

ORLC has a tradition of ensuring that each family in Helena has a holiday meal to share through their annual

holiday food drive. Though things look different this year, the tradition continues! Please consider donating virtually to help provide a turkey and sides to families in our community for Thanksgiving and Christmas. In the past, we've been able to collect over **ONE TON** of food items. Let's do it again through virtual donations so that HFS can purchase **ONE TON** of food in bulk!

Online donations can be made at:

<https://helenafoodshare.org/fund-drive/orlc/>

Thank you for providing a little extra comfort, joy, and food for our neighbors in need!



December Bible Study

We will consider a special Advent theme for our December Bible study.

We will have one combined Bible study on **Tuesday, December 15 at 2:30 pm** in the Great Room.

All members and visitors are invited to join us.

The WELCA Board: no meeting is scheduled

Quilting for Lutheran World Relief: Tuesdays at 9:00 am

Sew in Love Service Group: Thursdays at 9:00 am

Bazaar

Since we have not been able to have our usual Fall Festival and Bazaar this year, we are currently pursuing ideas about having an online bazaar in early 2021. If you have any thoughts to share about this idea or would like to be involved with planning such an event, please contact Charlene Mayala at 465-0956.

COVID-19 Grant Funding Report

Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church (ORCL) was blessed to receive nearly \$91,000 from grants from the State of Montana and the Small Business Administration (SBA). The Preschool received \$21,678 from Montana's Social Services Nonprofit Program. We also won \$10,000 from Montana's Business Adaptability Program and \$59,000 from the SBA's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). We used these gifts to subsidize salaries, purchase cleaning supplies, and audio-visual equipment to stream our worship services and congregational meetings.

This grant funding has helped us adapt to the impacts of COVID-19 without cutting services and laying off staff.

I am grateful for the support we have received and thankful for our staff and volunteers' time and effort to prepare applications and the reports associated with these funds.

Craig Erickson
Council President



For yonder breaks

A new and glorious morn!



at Our Redeemer's Preschool!

A thrill of hope,



The weary world rejoices,



Christmas blessings from everyone



You are invited to an intimate worship service three times weekly at Our Redeemer's. Each service provides a unique message with rotating leadership by Pastors Arne and Kendra and Lay Pastor Associates Jan, Jeff, Lisa, Kevin, and Lori. Attendance at each service has been less than 10 so social distancing is easily accomplished.

The service includes confession, prayer, scripture reading, and a brief meditation.

We look forward to sharing the Good News with you on Monday evenings at 5:30 pm, Wednesday afternoons at 3 pm, and Friday mornings at 11 am.



A family experience for the Advent journey

Advent in a Box is a tool for families to use as they journey through the Advent season beginning Sunday, November 29 until Christmas. This year's box contains simple activities and is intended for use at home.

There are 4 weekly activities, one for each week of Advent representing the candles on your Advent Wreath. The last activity is the Birth of Jesus Christmas story.

Each weekly activity includes an introduction, a scripture reading, discussion questions, a secular Christmas Story, a song, an activity, and a prayer.

Call or stop by the church office to get one for your home today! All are welcome to enjoy Advent in their homes with this kit.

Our hope is your family experiences Advent and Christmas together in a meaningful way at home.

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11/1/2020

Community Development Team

In keeping with the congregation's approval of 2020 ministry initiatives, the Community Development Team has incurred significant progress in two areas on behalf of ORLC.

First, the campus was divided into two physical units. Unit 1 includes the church and 3.5 acres, and Unit 2 consists of 15 acres of vacant land. This division changed the City's categorical assessment of street maintenance fees. Unit 2 is now categorized as vacant land and therefore assessed street maintenance fees at a flat rate rather than at a square foot fee. The financial outcome yielded an annual savings in street maintenance fees of over \$40,000 for the church.

Second, the congregation approved our joining a consortium of service providers who share the mission of providing safe and secure housing for Helena area residents. Together with the City of Helena, YWCA, Habitat for Humanity, Rocky Mountain Development Council, and Trust Montana, we have submitted a Planning Grant application to the Department of Commerce, Community Development Block Grant program. If awarded in late December, the planning will take about 12 months and identify as well as validate the groups and number of persons needing certain residential services in the Helena area.

Financially, the cost of creating two physical units on our campus was approximately \$4,000, and our participation in the planning grant will be about \$4,000. We estimate the sale proceeds of the land for the residential developments will be equivalent to the church's outstanding mortgage debt.





HOLY COMMOTION!

Wassup with our youth?



Safehouse in December



High school youth please join us during the month of December as serve our community, give back to one special family, and rediscover the Real Reason for the Season.

Dec. 2 - Safehouse will have a special Advent gathering

Dec. 9 - Safehouse meets at Target to shop for the Intermountain Children's Adopt a Cottage Christmas Program. Bring any dollars or change you wish to help contribute.

Dec. 16 - Safehouse Christmas Party - Details to come!

Dec. 23 & 30 - Happy Christmas Break - No Safehouse



Gas, Groceries, and so much more!

Shopping with gift cards is an easy way to support our youth ministries every time you shop.

Purchase a gift card at face value and a portion of that purchase goes toward mission trips, retreats, and other youth expenses.

The possibilities are endless! Dining out, filling up your gas tank, grocery shopping, your favorite latte, vacations, every day expenses, Christmas gifts. We have some cards available for immediate purchase to popular local stores such as Walmart and Target, but we will be taking orders for any of the hundreds of other retailers who have offered this fundraising opportunity to non-profit organizations. To purchase a gift card or to find out more information, please contact Jackie Bartz at 442-7842.

Safehouse Adopts A Cottage!

This year, Safehouse youth with their generous hearts have decided to make Christmas extra special for a cottage of 7 children ages 8-14 in the residential program at Intermountain. Our youth will be shopping for each child so that he or she will receive 2-3 gifts from their wish list, a pair of pajamas, a large box of their favorite cereal and a book.

To make this happen, our youth pull together their own pennies, nickels, dimes, and a few dollars to purchase the gifts. To ensure that no one is left out or short, we are asking the Congregation to help out! The youth have built a fireplace with stockings to be adopted and filled and ornaments with gift ideas to be purchased. **If your heart feels called to help the youth in this joyous gift to children, please take a stocking or gift tag, fulfill the request and return it no later than December 9th at 12 noon.**



This year you can also purchase a gift online from an Amazon Wishlist and it will ship directly to Intermountain! The wishlist is located at: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/369GGUT84UMHW?ref_=wl_share

Thank you for your generosity and love for all children! **Questions?!** Contact Jackie at 442-7842.



Pick Up Your Christmas Wreaths!

Your beautiful, fresh wreaths will be at ORLC and ready to be picked up! Just stop by the church office or email Jackie to set up a pick-up time.

If you forgot to place your order, there will be a limited quantity available for purchase. All proceeds will go toward the youth.



Keeping our promise,
we teach children to: love God,
love and serve each other,
and learn and share God's story.

Do you want to build a Snowman

When: Sunday, January 17th from 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Who: All ORLC Youth (PreK - 12th grade) and their Families

What: Snowman Building Party and Winter Gear Drive

- ◆ Please bring lightly used/new winter clothing (hats, scarves, gloves and coats) to decorate a snowman that you and your family will create! All winter gear will be donated to *God's Love* following the event! (We will provide the materials for the eyes, nose and mouth for each snowman!)



- ◆ Hot Chocolate will be provided for all!

NOTE: This event will take place outdoors. Please dress appropriately! Contact Liz with questions!



Due to rising Covid-19 numbers in the county the Children's Christmas Event has been canceled, stay safe!



Sunday School is continuing to take place online via Zoom on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. You can join the Zoom meeting by using the following ID and passcode:

Meeting ID: 869 4826 6561 **Passcode:** 0k9wD4



KidzEd is continuing to take place at the church on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary!

Walk Through the Bible



Our Walk Through the Bible class was a great success! We had 5, third grade students who received their bibles and participated in the class. A special thank you to the WELCA for providing the Bibles. They loved them!

If your 3rd grader has not received his/her bible please contact Liz at liz@ourredeemerlives.org, and she can get you one!



Christmas Vacation Schedule for Children's Ministries

Sunday School - No Class December 20th & 27th

KidzEd - No Class December 23rd and 30th!

Have a blessed Christmas!

Council Meeting Summary – November 17, 2020

The Church Council met on Tuesday, November 17th, 2020, at 6 pm via ZOOM. The agenda for the November meeting and minutes from October were approved by the Council.

- Sarah Magee, Director of Finance and Facilities, gave a financial report. Sarah reported that the receipts for October were \$10,776 less than the 2020 plan. Giving for September and October was low compared to what's normal for this time of year. The street maintenance/property tax fee totaled \$12,460 or a \$40,000 savings from last year's bill, which was \$52,000.
- The Budget Forum to be held on Sunday, November 22nd, will take place in person in the church sanctuary and also via ZOOM for those not comfortable attending in person. Items to be included in the presentation were discussed.
- Pastor Arne and Pastor Kendra have been working with staff on ways to connect the congregation on what can be done to improve online worship, i.e., what's working and what's not working. They noted that staff members are doing innovative and cool things like "Advent in a Box."
- Sarah reported the \$59,000 PPP Loan application was accepted and approved as a grant, so we do not have to repay.
- Craig Erickson asked the four Council members whose terms are expiring at the end of January to consider staying on for another year. Three members have agreed to extend their Council duties; a fourth member will need to be recruited.
- Craig Erickson reported we have now received two Montana Business Adaptability Grants for just over \$10,000. We were also able to secure two Social Services Nonprofit Grants for an approximate total of \$21,000. In total, we have secured approximately \$90,000 in grant funding for 2020. All funding opportunities through the State of Montana have now ended; however, if a second round of grants are offered in 2021, we will pursue them again.
- The latest draft of the FY 2021 budget was reviewed by the Council, including a 3% staff raise. The budget was approved.
- Jan Martin reported that in the future, Family Medical Leave will be integrated into all policies.
- Pastor Arne reported the Generosity Committee has been working on ways to encourage electronic giving, which provides solid flexibility.

Submitted by Janice Kirkpatrick
Church Council Secretary



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Chase Sampson
John Wadhams
3 Marla Maharg
Jim Schulz
4 Jan Anderson
Bailey Marble
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5 Sharlene Kolb
6 Madison Grotbo
Dayna Willcut
7 Brooklynn Haab
Jessica Salo
Kimberly Shaner
8 Tami Darlow
Norm Midtlyng
9 Alexander Wickens
10 Sam Fischer

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kevin Harrington	21	Chris Denning
Laurel Orthmeyer		Rhett Quinn
Craig Trapp		Madeline Richards
Lacie Willard	22	Mariah Thompson
Steve Keller		Lyle Pratt
Ingrid Childress	24	Ryan Swenson
Mike Maynard		Vonda Dyrdaahl
Martin Russell		Nikki Goosen
Mackenzie Grimmis		Chris May
Blair Krumm	25	Darrell Stipcich
Carol Maynard	26	Hildegard Krumm
Mike Randall		Janet Erickson
Maureen Ward		Julia Goughnour
Jocelyn Gates	28	Leah Martin
Kaden Juers		Charlie Brown
Emily Walter		Adam Liston
Tim Cail	29	Liliana Swenson
Erin Mills		Jeff Berglund
Nolan Burke		Lauren Heuiser
Ann Harris		Linda Huso
Mark Robertson	30	Jenny Moore
Byron Beley		Cathy Reagor
McKenna Robertson		

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE...

If you or someone you know is hospitalized, please call the church to let us know. During this time, we are unable to visit but we would love to include you in our prayers.



December Anniversaries Celebrate with those married 40 years or more this month!

12/27/1976	Bill and Darbie Hess	44 years
12/20/1975	Kapp and Bonnie Johnson	45 years
12/27/1970	Larry and Lynda Hanson	50 years
12/30/1969	Bruce and Judy McMaster	51 years
12/29/1962	John and Karen Darlow	58 years
12/27/1959	Ron and Marian Paulson	61 years



Deaths

10/22/2020 Glen McLean

December 2020

AD = Administrative Wing
CR = Classrooms
PS = Preschool
HS Loft = High School Loft

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
		1 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief 7:00pm - Reflections - Online meeting
6 9:30am - Online Worship 10:45am - Net - Youth Leadership - Loft	7 5:30pm - Service of the Word - Sanctuary	8 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief 10:00am - 12:00pm - Drop-in Communion 6:00pm - 7:00pm - Drop-in Communion
13 9:30am - Online Worship 10:45am - Net - Youth Leadership - Loft	14 5:30pm - Service of the Word - Sanctuary	15 Voice Articles Due 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief 9:30am - Communion at Touchmark 2:30pm - WELCA Bible Study - Great Room 6:00pm - Council Meeting 7:00pm - Reflections - Online meeting
20 9:30am - Online Worship 10:45am - Net - Youth Leadership - Loft	21 10:00am - 6:00pm - Blue Christmas Prayer Time 6:00pm - Blue Christmas Worship - Sanctuary	22 9:00am - Quilting for Lutheran World Relief
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Due to the COVID –19 Pandemic, this calendar may change rapidly, any change in worship will be on the website, emailed and a message will be on the church phone reflecting the changes. If you have questions, please call the church office at 406-442-7842.

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 3:00pm - Service of the Word - Sanctuary 6:30pm - Safehouse - Great Room 6:30pm - Confirmation University - Comm. Rm	3 9:00am - Sew in Love	4 11:00am - Service of the Word - Sanctuary	5
9 3:00pm - Service of the Word - Sanctuary 6:30pm - Safehouse - Target 6:30pm - Confirmation University - Comm. Rm	10 9:00am - Sew in Love	11 11:00am - Service of the Word - Sanctuary	12
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23 3:00pm - Service of the Word - Sanctuary	24 1:00-6:00pm - Drop-in communion Christmas Eve worship online	25	26
30 3:00pm - Service of the Word - Sanctuary	31		

