~Please join us in Baldwin Hall for Coffee Hour after Worship~

Thank you to the diaconate for the altar flowers.

Thank you to our guest musician, cello soloist Bo Ericsson.

This Week

Sunday, December 18 –NA 6 pm (FH)

Monday, December 19 – Breakfast Group 8:30 am, AA 7:30 pm (BMR)

Tuesday, December 20 –NA 7:30 pm (BH)

Wednesday, December 21 – Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm (S)

Thursday, December 20

Friday, December 21

Saturday, December 22 – NA 7:30 pm (BH)

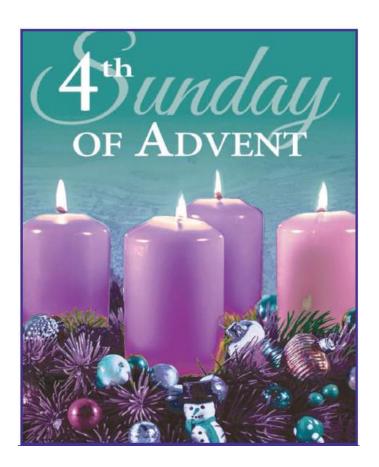
Looking Ahead

All are invited to attend our Christmas Services. On Christmas Eve, we will meet at 5 PM for a worship service with Lessons and Carols. On Christmas Sunday morning, we will meet for worship at 10 AM.

"Let Your Light Shine" with our mission of the month in January. We are making blankets to give to those without heat or housing this winter. On Sunday, January 8th, after church, plan to join our church family for a soup lunch and a tied blanket making workshop. Fleece will be provided, but we ask that you bring your own scissors. For those who can't be there, fleece will be available for you to make blankets at home.

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Sunday Morning Worship Service December 18, 2022~ 10:00 AM

~Reminder – please silence all cell phones before the Worship Service begins ~

PRELUDE: "Allemande from Bach Cello Suite #1 in G.......Cello Soloist Bo Ericsson

WORDS OF WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENT

Reader: For God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten son, that whoever should believe in him shall not perish but have eternal life. The scriptures teach us that God is love. And so on this fourth Sunday of Advent we light the candle of Love.

All: We light this candle to remind us of the love that God has for us.

CHORAL INTROIT: "Sing A New Song to the Lord"

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL WORSHIP (all):

Pastor: In this glad season we celebrate the advent of Jesus, Prince of Peace, bringer of hope, and embodiment of love.

People: We prepare, and we wait.

Pastor: We are a people of hope, peace, and love.

People: Love is the only word which adequately captures the spirit and goal of our faith. No other word so completely describes God.

Pastor: For God so loved the world, that he sent his only son who took on human form, as he taught the importance of love.

People: Let us joyfully worship as we await the dawning of God's pervasive and enduring love once more this Christmas Season. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE # 92 "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

INVOCATION (all)

O Lord, our God, whose chosen dwelling is the heart of the lowly, we thank you that your love took the form of a little child. Make us humble in faith and love, that we may know the joy of the gospel that is hidden from the wise. Fill our hearts with joy and our tongues with praise, as we near the time of our Savior's birth. Forgive us our lack of faith, and help us when we limit you by the boundaries of our own making. May Christ be born anew in our lives this blessed season. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (all)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

THE WORD OF GOD Lay Reader Rene King

Old Testament: Isaiah 35:1-10 **New Testament:** Luke 2:8-20

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*HYMN OF REFLECTION #115 "In the Bleak Midwinter"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology

Praise God from who all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN # 107 "Joy to The World"

*BENEDICTION

*CHOIR AMEN

^{*}Please Stand if you are able