

Thanks for worshiping  
with us...

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Christmas Eve & First  
Sunday of Christmas

Choir Practice  
12:15ish here at Kenton today  
Next Wednesday at Peace  
Lutheran 7 pm

### Joint Worship Services with Peace Lutheran

Join us Christmas Eve at 7 pm  
as we worship at Peace  
Lutheran Church on N. Rosa  
Parks Blvd.

December 26 Peace Lutheran  
will join with Kenton for  
worship at 11 am at Kenton  
Church



## Kenton Church December 19, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Advent



# Gathering to Worship

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE We have encountered Peace, Joy, and Hope on this journey.  
Today we consider God's Love as we push on to Christmas Day.

### PEOPLE TODAY WE HEAR HOW GOD SENT HIS SON TO US

ONE Open our hearts to You, Lord so we are ready to be changed by Your Love.

### PEOPLE LET US COME TO GOD WITH PRAISE

## CAROL SING

### \* INVOCATION

\* HYMN ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH #132

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES

# Hearing God's Word

SCRIPTURE	LUKE 2:1-21	(RED 1043 BLUE 1225)
SERMON	SIMPLE ACTS OF CHRISTMAS	Rev. Alan Wilkerson
* HYMN	IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR	#128



Scan for  
Today's  
Scripture

# Responding to God's Call

## BRINGING OUR CONCERNS AND JOYS TO OUR LORD IN PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the Kingdom, the Power and the Glory forever. Amen.

## BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

### DEDICATION OUR GIFTS TO GOD

\* DOXOLOGY

\* BENEDICTION

\* RESPONSE

O COME, LET US ADORE HIM



## Ladies Christmas Luncheon:

**Join us this  
Wednesday at noon.**

All women of Kenton  
are invited to our lunch  
and gift exchange. If  
you forget one, Judy  
has a table of stuff  
downstairs.

## THOSE FIGHTING CANCER

- ❖ Mike's friends—Bill & Carol
- ❖ Rick's friend and family—Tom, Phil
- ❖ Cliff Carpenter
- ❖ Bill's brother-in-law—Frank
- ❖ Charlie Tindall—remains doing well
- ❖ Larry—Steve's father-in-law
- ❖ Carie's sister-in-law Brandee
- ❖ Tom Strode
- ❖ Susan's cousin Charma

## LONG-TERM CONCERNs

- ❖ Gene; Tina; Melody; Wanda Coleman; Carroll; Pattie & Leon; Cheryl; Herb & Louise; Lariane; Noel; John; Janet; Shannon; Shari ; Grant-Bill's friend; Melody; Eric B; Aileen; Roscoe; Marilyn Pierce; Alan; Mariama

## GRIEVING

- ❖ Families and towns struck by tornados
- ❖ Others who mourn during the Christmas season

## ANSWERS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

- ❖ Kevin Zook has left his walker and crutches behind
- ❖

## HEALTH CONCERNs

- ❖ Susan's cousin Brad, and brother Alan,
- ❖ Mike S. seizures and comfort for family
- ❖ Laura's ex-worker's mom
- ❖ Mike's friend—addiction issues
- ❖ Rosa, sister of a friend of Mike's
- ❖ Steve cardiac issues (Marrs neighbor)
- ❖ Stephanie car accident & family
- ❖ Friend of Mike's Jeff broken hip and salvation
- ❖ Sharon Marr
- ❖ Carmen, a friend of Susan Zook,
- ❖ Tim French
- ❖ Nella dental issues
- ❖ Teshia Padilla-Kenton neighbor with COVID
- ❖ Miles Wilkerson exposed to COVID

## WORLD/COMMUNITY NEEDS

- ❖ Bruce's friend—Damian Silas & others
- ❖ Work needs/concerns—Roscoe
- ❖ Nations: Afghanistan—Taliban et al.;
- ❖ Gun violence in Portland
- ❖ Those who serve and protect us
- ❖ Vaccine mandates and work et al.
- ❖ New COVID mutation omicron.

## OTHER CONCERNs

- ❖ Reaching out to our neighbors in December
- ❖ **Roscoe working through Social Security disability**
- ❖ Travel mercies for Caroline and Becca who are going to England for two weeks

## Season of Advent

Advent has begun. This year's themes are displayed on the banners on the sanctuary walls—Peace, Joy, Hope, and Love.

As before, the themes will be illustrated in particular Christmas movies.

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| ❖ Peace | <i>Joyeux Noel</i>                          |
| ❖ Joy   | <i>Elf</i>                                  |
| ❖ Hope  | <i>Believe</i>                              |
| ❖ Love  | <i>The Christmas Chronicles (1 &amp; 2)</i> |

Some of these will be unfamiliar to you but take the time to find these and enjoy them this season.

## Advent Preaching

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| Nov 28 | Give Peace a Chance<br>Jeremiah 33:14-16;<br>Luke 21:25-28, 34-36 |
| Dec 5  | Sing Loud and Clear<br>Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6             |
| Today  | Hoping or Wishing?<br>Luke 1:39-45                                |
| Dec 19 | Simple Acts of Christmas<br>Micha 5:2-5; Luke 2:1-21              |

## Homeless Lunches

**CHANGE THE DATE**

## Things happen...

so we are postponing the lunches till Saturday January 8.  
We will start at 9 am, fix the lunches, and then take them to the homeless in our areas.