

Thanks for worshiping
with us...

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Christmas Homeless Lunches & Gifts

We have not served our homeless community for the past two years.

We are collecting socks to give to the homeless along with a bag lunch. The food and gifts will be distributed the third Saturday, Dec. 18,

We have not decided how many lunches we will make or when we will gather to wrap the gifts.

If you are interested in being a part of this please speak with Sharon Marr or pastor Alan



Hanging of the Greens

Next Sunday after worship.... Join downstairs for a potluck lunch and then help get our church ready for Christmas. If you can't help decorate we need people to give directions and to wrap presents for our homeless neighbors whom we will serve on Saturday December 18.

Kenton Church
November 28, 2021
First Sunday of Advent



Gathering to Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE The darkness of the days remind us of the darkness in our lives and our world

PEOPLE HEAR OUR PRAYERS THROUGH THE DARKNESS, LORD

ONE We have come to seek the "Light of the world".
Be with us as we worship

**PEOPLE WE PERCEIVE YOUR LIGHT IN THE LIVES OF OUR SISTERS
AND BROTHERS. WE RECALL YOUR WORD THAT DECLARES
"THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE DARKNESS
HAS NOT OVERCOME IT"**

ONE Come and worship our Lord with praise

PRAISE MUSIC

* INVOCATION

* HYMN JOY TO THE WORLD #125

SCRIPTURE JEREMIAH 33:14-16 (RED 814 BLUE 935)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hearing God's Word

SCRIPTURE LUKE 21:25-28, 34-36 (RED 1073 BLUE 1269)

SERMON GIVE PEACE A CHANCE Rev. Alan Wilkerson

* HYMN COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME #559

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 (v1)

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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—is months ahead of the schedule
- ❖ Larry— Steve's father-in-law
- ❖ Carie's sister-in-law Brandee
- ❖ Tom Strode

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; Rosco; Marilyn Pierce; Alan; Mariama

GRIEVING

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ANSWERS AND GOD SIGHTINGS

- ❖ Son of Laura's former coworker put himself in recovery.
- ❖ Cyril may have a job

OTHER CONCERNs

- ❖ Reaching out to our neighbors in December
- ❖ Those who cannot be together due to many things.

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
- ❖ Kevin Zook's recovering from surgery
- ❖ Friend of Mike's Jeff broken hip and salvation
- ❖ Susan Banks foot pain
- ❖ Sharon Marr
- ❖ Carmen, a friend of Susan Zook,
- ❖ Tim French
- ❖ Director of the Singing Christmas Tree who will have heart valve surgery
- ❖ Susan's cousin Nikki recovering from knee replacement and back to Medford

WORLD/COMMUNITY NEEDS

- ❖ Bruce's friend—Damian Silas & others
- ❖ Work needs/concerns—Roscoe
- ❖ Nations: Afghanistan—Taliban *et al.*;
- ❖ International tension and military flexing
- ❖ Earthquake/flood recovery/wild fires
- ❖ Gun violence in Portland
- ❖ Those who serve and protect us
- ❖ Vaccine mandates and work *et al.*
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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 | Joyeux Noel |
| ❖ Joy | Elf |
| ❖ Hope | Believe |
| ❖ Love | The Christmas Chronicles (1 & 2) |

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

Advent Preaching

Today: Give Peace a Chance
Jeremiah 33:14-16;
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Dec 5 Sing Loud and Clear
Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Dec 12 Hoping or Wishing?
Luke 1:39-45

Dec 19 Simple Acts of Christmas
Micha 5:2-5; Luke 2:1-21



Special
ChristmasChoir

Tuning up for Christmas

Our next practice will be after worship on December 11 We have narrowed our song list to 7 pieces. Three of these will be for Christmas eve at Peace Lutheran Church and one or two for the Sunday after Christmas which will be a joint service at Kenton Church.

If you are interested please touch base with Rick and let him know.

Women's Retreat

Judy will 'put out' some items from past bazaars. You may buy them downstairs after worship. There is **nothing over \$5.00**. All funds will go toward the Women's Retreat at Happy Camp in Netarts.

Odds & Ends



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