



First Sunday of Advent

November 28, 2021 | 11 AM

WAITING IN HOPE: RECOVERING FROM HURRICANES ETA AND IOTA

BY REV. KIMBERLY KNOWLE-ZELLER

LUKE 21:25-36 | BE ALERT

ADVENT: A Season of Hope

As the days grow shorter, we lean into the darkness to see God's creativity, and glean part of the Creator's hope. This Advent season, starting today, we are using resources from Lutheran World Relief, an organization that we actively support and admire (www.lwr.org). LWR has given congregations the gift of **Advent Stories of Hope**. We will be learning the stories of people from Honduras, Nepal, Lebanon, and Sudan each week of Advent. Here are ways you can participate:

- Children will have the opportunity to bring a "noisy offering" – an offering of all the change they can find. **If you have jars of coins at home, bring them to worship**, and the kids will dump them into a bucket to be collected to support LWR.
- Navigate to www.lwr.org and **find ways that you can give hope to families** who are suffering, in large ways and small.
- In your circle of connection or small group, **use this study guide to dig deeper** into Advent as a season of hope. www.lwr.org/advent-resources

WELCOME!

Welcome! It is a joy to worship together!

As a community in the model of Christ, we warmly welcome all who have come seeking God in worship at Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. We welcome people of every race, gender, ethnic background, social status, physical ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Together in our diversity and as a Reconciling in Christ congregation, we seek to embrace the love of God offered to us in Jesus Christ. We gather to experience the presence of God in Word and Sacrament and to give praise to God who loves us unconditionally.

ONLINE OR BY PHONE

- By phone: call 1-206-337-9723. Then enter this number when prompted: 822 691 346. This method will let you listen in, but not view the service.
- By Facebook Live: Go to www.facebook.com/ourredeemers. You don't have to have a facebook account – it's a public channel.
- By Zoom: Download the Zoom app to your computer, tablet, or cell phone. It's free! Click this link: [https:// Zoom.us/j/822691346](https://zoom.us/j/822691346).
(Make sure that your Zoom is upgraded to the current version.)

Note for Communion: While it is our practice to celebrate Holy Communion using one loaf of bread, due to the pandemic we have pivoted to using pre-packaged individual communion cups. Wine, juice, and gluten free cups are available. To participate in the meal, open the wafer first, and then open the wine or juice. If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest as you come forward.

OUR VISION:

In the model of Christ and for the life of the world, we are an inclusive, devoted, caring and spiritual community that accepts challenges, takes risks and grows.

We are on land created by God and stewarded for generations by the indigenous ancestors of the Duwamish people, who are still here. We honor the Creator's continuing presence in this land, confess our complicity in its brokenness, and awaken to our connectedness with all of creation.

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GATHER

PRELUDE

When Will He Come by Don Besig

Flutes – Barb Dougherty and Joanna Elizondo, Piano – Karen Lee

WELCOME AND SILENT PREPARATION

*LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

God of Hope, your light shines. Your presence walks with us. Your Spirit longs to draw us close. We are waiting. We are alert. We are hopeful. We light candles trusting that the smallest flame can drive out our greatest fears. We anticipate your coming among us with peace and thankfulness. As we await your coming, light a flame within us:

May we shine with the brightness of your hope.

God of Hope, as we light this first candle, open our eyes to your signs and wonders. Turn our attention to the beauty of creation and the gifts of humanity. When our hearts are heavy, give us peace. When our world feels uncertain, ground us in your grace. Light a flame within us:

May we shine with the brightness of your hope.

God of Hope, we remember today our sisters and brothers in Latin America. The people who have lost so much from Hurricanes Eta and Iota, the people who trust in your solid ground, the people who long to find relief from the storms of life. We pray for your presence, attention, and protection for our neighbors. Light a flame within us:

May we shine with the brightness of your hope.

God of Hope, keep us on guard for signs of your presence and love. Fill our hearts with strength.

Guide us in these Advent days until our Savior is born among us.

Turn our attention to you, the One who is our song, our hope and our joy. We pray all this in the name of Jesus, the light that has no end.

Amen.

**Please stand, as you are able.*

***OPENING HYMN**

Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn

1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
lives now in - side us for - ev - er.

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***GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

God of justice and peace,
from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness,
that all on earth may stand in awe and wonder
before your marvelous deeds.

Raise our heads in expectation,
that we may yearn for the coming day of the Lord
when we stand forever before your face. Amen.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Psalm 25:1-10

Listen for the word of God.

Our ears and hearts are open.

¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

² O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.

³ Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.

⁵ Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

⁶ Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

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- ⁸ Good and upright is the Lord;
 who instructs sinners in the way
- ⁹ And leads the humble in what is right,
 and teaches God's way.
- ¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
 for those who keep God's covenant and decrees.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



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***THE GOSPEL**

Luke 21:25-36

The holy Gospel according to Luke, the 21st chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ²⁵“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF VIDEO: HONDURAS

KID'S MESSAGE AND NOISY OFFERING

Pastor Gretchen Mertes

SERMON

Pastor Kathy Hawks

HYMN OF THE DAY

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning



1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your
 2 Dark-er mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er
 3 Lo, the morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the
 4 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your



lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your lamps
 mid - night lies be - fore us, dark - er mid - night
 morn - ing soon is break - ing, lo, the morn - ing
 lamps trimmed and burn - ing, keep your lamps



trimmed and burn - ing, for this work's al - most done.
 lies be - fore us, for this work's al - most done.
 soon is break - ing, for this work's al - most done.
 trimmed and burn - ing, for this work's al - most done.

Refrain



Chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry; chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry;



chil-dren, don't grow wea - ry, for this work's al-most done.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.

A brief silence.

God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of mighty redwoods and microscopic plants, fields and city parks, the wind and the waves, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of equity and compassion, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of discernment and integrity to leaders in our communities. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of hope, be present with Ernesto in Honduras, and with all whose precarious livelihoods are washed away by floods and other natural disasters. Inspire our generosity to the work of Lutheran World Relief, and sustain those who calling is to walk with those in overwhelming need. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await births, deaths, divorces, new unions, new jobs, retirements, healing, and life transitions of every kind. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from destructive storms. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by natural disasters, for the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other relief organizations. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For what else do the people of God pray?

God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.

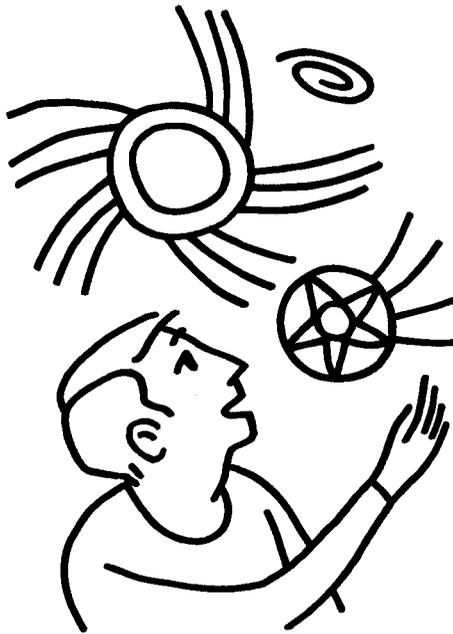
Amen.

***PEACE**

May the peace of Christ rule our world and heal our hearts.
The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

You are invited to share a sign of peace by crossing hands over your heart, or another gesture, saying "Peace be with you."



MEAL

OFFERING SPECIAL MUSIC

Choir - *Canticle of Hope* by Gary Hallquist

*OFFERING PRAYER

God of our waiting and watching,
we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives
to the service of all your people.
Prepare the way before us
as we meet you in this simple meal,
through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace.

Amen.

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Mystery of winter skies,
we thank you in the darkening hour
for opening our eyes to see your starlit beauty;
for parting the wide heavens to send your gentle light;
for offering your word to take our mortal flesh.

He was promised by those who shared your dream of peace;
John the Baptist cleared his way with words of desert fire;
Mary and Joseph accepted his coming with tenderness and faith;
we know that he draws near again to show us who we really are
with honesty and love.

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In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new and eternal covenant relationship in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

God, we long for your Spirit.
Come among us.
Bless this meal.
May your Word take flesh in us.
Awaken your people.
Fill us with your light.
Bring the gift of peace on earth.
Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us in whatever words are most prayerful for you:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

*INVITATION TO THE MEAL

Come to Christ's table.
Feast on God's gift of grace.
These are the gifts of God, for you,
the beloved people of God,
for the hope of the world.

All Are Welcome

to commune, including children (as parents permit).

Note: While it is our practice to celebrate Holy Communion using one loaf of bread, due to the pandemic we have pivoted to using pre-packaged individual communion cups. Wine, juice, and gluten free cups are available. To participate in the meal, open the wafer first, and then open the wine or juice. If you would prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest as you come forward.



LAMB OF GOD



1. *Lamb of God,
2. Prince of Peace, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on
3. Bread of Life,



COMMUNION HYMNS

Wait for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

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Come Now, O Prince of Peace

- 1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.
- 2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.
- 3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
- 4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.

- Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.
 Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

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***TABLE BLESSING**

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us and keep us in his grace.

Amen.

SENDING

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Most High God,

you have come among us at this table.

By the Spirit's power, form us to be bearers of your hope,

sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all,

through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BLESSING**

The God of hope

fill us with all joy and peace in believing,

so that we may abound in hope

by the power of the Holy Spirit,

through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying



1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men
2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her
3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and



on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.
heart with joy is spring-ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.
an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym-bal's clear-est tone.



Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the
Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in
Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to



thrill-ing cry re - joic - es: "Come forth, you maid-ens! Night is past.
grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.
bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.

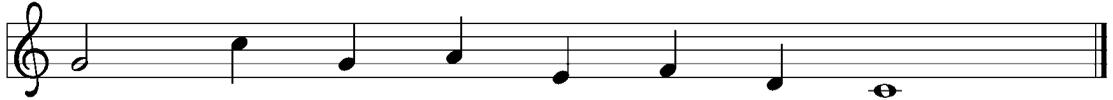


The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!"
Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.
No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun-d'ring might

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Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;
Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,
of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!



go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.
and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.
There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is near.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying, setting by Friedrich Zipp,
published by Concordia.



We Pray for...

Barbara Brian, Alex Brown, Rusdee Chastain, Brenda Delrosario, Harry Ecklund, James Ellingboe, John Ellingboe, Anna Freyberg, Richard & Shirley Holt, Carol Hurlburt, Elwood Latta, Karen Lee, Ann McIntyre, Barbara Olsen, Mel Rembold, Emily Schmidt, Jennifer Seyler, Stearns Family, Kennedy Stearns, Stoddard Family, Charlotte Wallstrom; immigrant families remaining separated; Road 2 Housing guests.

Grieving the Loss of...

Luv Padre; Doug Lieberg; Claudia Wagner; Joe Wagner; Clair Ohnstad

To include someone in the prayers for 4 weeks, please email the church.

IN OUR SERVICE TODAY

Preaching: Pastor Kathy Hawks

Presiding: Pastor Gretchen Mertes

Musicians: Our Redeemer's Choir,

Barb Dougherty, Joanna Elizondo, Karen Lee, Gretchen Mertes

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

For more details, check the website or current newsletter.



social justice

O Giving Tree, O Giving Tree!

The Giving Tree is sparkling in the church narthex with opportunities to give! Please participate and bring joy to neighbors from Mary's Place, Broadview Thomson K-8, the Ballard Food Bank, and our Road to Housing guests! **Note: Gifts for Broadview Thomson are due to the school on December 5th, so plan for a quick return!** Thank you for being a generous part of this year's Giving Tree!

A Sustainable Ballard Tradition at Our Redeemer's!

Friday, December 3, 7-9 PM

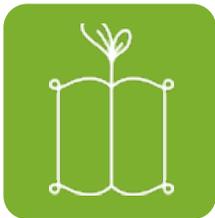
Sustainable Ballard's annual **Holiday Party and Barter Fair** will be held on December 3rd, 7:00 to 9:00 PM, at our church! Save the date and think about what you'll bring. For ease of trading, items should have a \$5-10 or \$15-20 value. Bigger items or services can be traded for multiples of the lower value items. Cash is also an acceptable option, or just come by to socialize and enjoy some refreshments! This event is intended to be COVID safe. Please wear a mask, maintain physical distance as much as possible and bring your vaccination card – we will check cards at the door.

Feed the Hungry!

Ballard Sunday Dinner in December will be Sunday the 19th. Many people will be out of town, so if you are around, please consider signing up to lead, cook, serve, make coffee or clean up. The holidays can be a lonely time of year, so a warm meal lovingly prepared is especially appreciated. [Sign up here](#). Thank you!

Gifts Touching Two Hearts at Once

Sometimes you have that person in your life who doesn't need anything, or who may be trying to downsize. **Lutheran World Relief offers a gift catalog** in which you could give mosquito netting or a COVID relief package, seeds or a safe house for a survivor of violence. You'll receive a personalized card to give as well. Check it out: <https://giftsoflove.org/all-gifts>.



faith formation

Adult Forums – Reconnecting Through Our Sacred Stories Sundays, 10:10 AM | Fellowship Hall (East)

Our Adult Forum class helps us reconnect by sharing our personal spiritual journeys with one another (similar to what we do in the Journey new member process). Two people at each Sunday morning class will tell us about their faith journey. We will provide prompts and suggestions about where you might begin. It will be all yours to tell and a joy for others to hear. If you'd be willing to sign up for one of these sessions, please let Sally Parker-Henderson, wpainter26@yahoo.com, know which Sunday works for you. Join us to explore together our deep spiritual selves.

Faith Formation for Youth & Kids

O-Rock! = Our Redeemer's Outstanding Church Kids...are presented in the following age groups every Sunday.

- Classes for ages 3 – 5 in person and online at 9:10 AM
- Classes for grades K-5 in person at 10:05 AM
- Middle School Hangout for grades 6-7 at 10:05 AM
- Confirmation Class at 10:05 AM, in the church library.



O-ROCK Needs: One hour a month enriches your life and the lives of our children. We use an easy to implement curriculum which mirrors the worship service. We also need books and toys for the small to the tall, for our parent lounge and gently used furniture for our parent lounge. Thanks!

Wednesday Bible Study Wednesdays, 10:30 AM | Zoom

Join in the study of heroic figures in the Bible like Moses, Jeremiah, Jacob, and others not so well defined using movies, YouTube, videos and, of course, the written Word. The time is 10:30 AM until noon on Zoom. Interested in joining in? Contact Carolyn Swanson, cdkswan@gmail.com or 206-390-7732.

Register for Holden Village by This Wednesday, 12/1

We are planning our congregational trip to Holden Village next summer, July 31–August 6, 2022! Our trip is 6 nights long, and meals are included. Deposits of \$100 per person to attend are due this Wednesday. Pick up the registration form at the office or email Pastor Gretchen to get a form (pastor.gretchen@ourredeemers.net).

We hope that you can join us.



worship

Centering Prayer
Wednesdays, 4-4:35PM

In Centering Prayer, we seek to open ourselves to God in silence. All are welcome! If you have any questions, please contact [Pastor Kathy](#).

We Did it! Thanks be to God! Thank YOU!

Our Redeemer's has more than met our \$800,000 goal to pay off our building loan!

We are also pleased with the progress made towards our 2022 annual mission/operating budget, **but there is still a gap** to bridge to meet our \$600,000 goal.

If you haven't pledged yet, please prayerfully consider doing so! Or maybe you've pledged, and, are feeling a nudge to increase your pledge.

How to Pledge

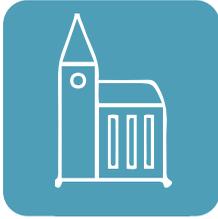
Fill out your hard copy commitment card at home and mail or email a photo of it to the church. You can download a pdf of the card to print, [HERE](#); or Pledge using our [Online Pledge Form](#).

Ways to Give

- **ONLINE GIVING:** Go to ourredeemers.net, and click on the "Giving" tab to see giving options, OR call (206)783-7900 x101.
- **MOBILE GIVING APP:** Download the free "Vanco" app and search for "Our Redeemers Lutheran Church" and follow the instructions.
- **MAIL A CHECK:** Write a check out to Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church. Mail to 2400 NW 85th St., Seattle, 98117.
- **DONATE STOCK:** Go to ourredeemers.net, and click on the "Giving" tab and find "Give to Our Redeemer's via Donation of Stock" link.

Administrator Karie Stearns (administrator@ourredeemers.net, 2067-783-7900 x101) can help you set up or update your automatic giving if needed, and can answer all your giving questions.





community

Changes Among Our Staff

Goodbye to Katlin

Our beloved Katlin Dickenson-Laurence is leaving Our Redeemer's staff for some much-needed respite. She and her spouse Harold will still be members of Our Redeemer's, worshipping with us and gifting us with their talents and presence.

Welcome Mandy Neill, our New Welcome Minister!

Mandy is a member of Our Redeemer's, and has led welcome ministry in another congregation. She has a heart for helping visitors feel at home, and finds joy in helping all of us reach out to introduce them to other people and to ministries, so they know we are glad they are here!

Pastor Kathy's Retirement

As her recent letter explained ([LINK](#)), on February 28 Pastor Kathy will retire from parish ministry after 21 years here at Our Redeemer's. In these coming months, her priority is spending time with the congregation, sharing thanks for all these years have held. If you have not received her letter, you can find one in the church office or in our December newsletter.

Celebrate Christmas!

Zoom Caroling

Sunday, December 12, 2 -4 PM

Online

Beer & Carols

Tuesday, December 14th, 7 PM

In-Person

Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 19, 11 AM

In-Person | Online

Blue Christmas

...when the holidays are difficult

Tuesday, December 21, 7 PM

In-Person | Online

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

4 PM Family

10 PM Traditional

In-Person | Online

Join us!

In-Person or

Online: facebook @OurRedeemers

Learn More: ourredeemers.net/christmas

Zoom Caroling | December 12, 2-4 PM - Get out the eggnog for a spirited sing-along from home or wherever you are as we Zoom a live caroling event from under the Christmas tree in the sanctuary! Pastor Gretchen and friends are your online hosts! Online only.

Beer & Carols | December 14, 7 PM - No, it's not a pub, but we're sure going to do our best to make Our Redeemer's front patio and narthex into the merriest Beer & Carols venue around! Join the festivities!

Christmas Pageant | December 19, 11 AM - This year we will have a combined online and in-person pageant telling the joy of the Christmas story! Kids of all ages (big and little!) are invited to participate.

Blue Christmas | December 21, 7 PM - Many of us struggle with grief and sadness as the days grow shorter. On December 21st, we'll gather to pray, ask God for consolation, and lay our burdens down at the foot of the cross. In-person and on Zoom.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services - On December 24th, we will celebrate both in person and online with great joy and love.

4 PM Family Service - Jesus is Born! This brief, joyful, kid-friendly service includes loads of carols, the Christmas story, a fun activity, candlelight for 'Silent Night,' and an appearance from everyone's favorite Sprouts teacher, Mr. Dana!

10 PM Traditional Service - O Come, All Ye Faithful! We gather to celebrate the nativity of Jesus Christ with joy and thanksgiving. The choir will sing, the strings will play, and the bells will ring... culminating with the singing of 'Silent Night' by candlelight. All are welcome!

This Week at Our Redeemer's

Today, November 28

9 AM - Sprouts | In Person

9 AM - Informal Worship

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

10 AM - Sprouts | Zoom

10 AM - O-Rock, Middle School Hangout

10 AM - Confirmation

11 AM - Traditional Worship

Monday, November 29

6:00 PM - Finance Team

Tuesday, November 30

7:15 PM - Racial Justice Advocates

Wednesday, December 1

Office Closed for Staff Development

10:30 AM - Bible Study | Zoom

4 PM - Centering Prayer | Sanctuary

7 PM - Adult and Youth Choir

Thursday, December 2

3 PM - Community Engagement Task Force

4 PM - Staff Meeting

7 PM - Informal Ensemble Rehearsal

Saturday, December 4

9 AM - Liturgical Arts Meeting

Sunday, December 5

9 AM - Sprouts | In Person

9 AM - Informal Worship

10 AM - Adult Forum | Fellowship Hall

10 AM - Sprouts | Zoom

10 AM - O-Rock, Middle School Hangout

10 AM - Confirmation

11 AM - Traditional Worship

3 PM - Norwegian Ladies Chorus

Email office@ourredeemers.net if you need online or in-person meeting help. Find meeting information in the announcements herein or on the church's [website calendar](#).



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