

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2022

10:30 AM

↑ = *Stand* **C**: *Congregation* **A**: *Assisting Minister* **P**: *Presiding Minister*

Hymns may be found in the red hymnals in the pews.

Quiet Bags for little ones, Doodle Bags or books for kids during worship
are all available in the narthex – see usher for assistance.

Prelude *Selections from a partita on FREU DICH SEHR* (ELW 256)
Georg Böhm (1661–1733)

Choral Prelude *Comfort, Comfort Now My People*
Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

Introit **Isaiah 30:19, 30; Psalm 80:1**

O people of Zion, behold, the LORD is near at hand to redeem the nations;
and in the gladness of your heart the LORD's glorious voice shall be
heard. Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock.

Welcome

↑Confession and Forgiveness

P: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
who alone does wondrous things.

C: **Blessed be God's name forever. Amen.**

P: Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep.

Let us confront our sins,
and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God of new beginnings,

C: **we confess that we have not welcomed you into this world.**

We have strayed from your paths.

We prepare for war instead of peace.

We dishonor one another and your creation.

**Purify us with your refining fire and set us again on your way of love,
that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance,
and welcome your coming among us. Amen.**

P: People of God,
 a new thing is growing in our midst,
 a tender branch,
 a living sign.
 By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder.
 You have put on + Christ,
 and your sins have been covered by his righteousness.
 Rejoice in the way of the Lord,
 no longer bound to yourselves
 but freed to live for others.

G: Amen.

↑ **Gathering Hymn**
Stanzas 1 & 3

Savior of the Nations, Come
ELW 263



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; vir - gin's son, make here your home.
 3 Won - drous birth—oh, won - drous child—from his throne, a vir - gin mild!



Mar - vel now, O heav'n and earth: God has cho - sen such a birth.
 Ver - y God, and Mar - y's son, ea - ger now his race to run!

↑ **Lighting of Two Advent Candles**

P: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, source and sustainer of the universe.
 John the Baptist calls all people to prepare the Lord's way,
 for the kingdom from heaven is near.
 Bless us as we light the candles on this wreath.
 Baptize us with the fire of your Spirit,
 that we may be a light shining in the darkness
 welcoming others as Christ has welcomed us,
 for he is our light and our salvation.
 Blessed be God forever.



G: Amen.

↑ Hymn

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

All sing stanza 4:

ELW 257

O come, O Branch of Jesse, free
your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save,
and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you O Israel.

↑ 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.**

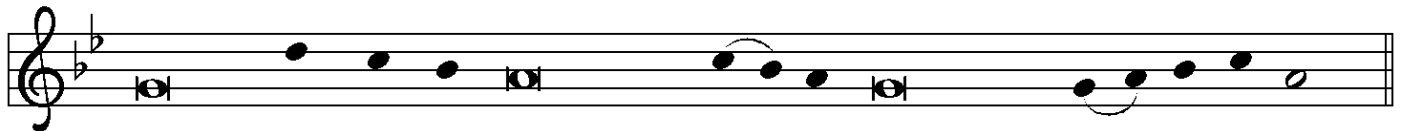
↑ Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



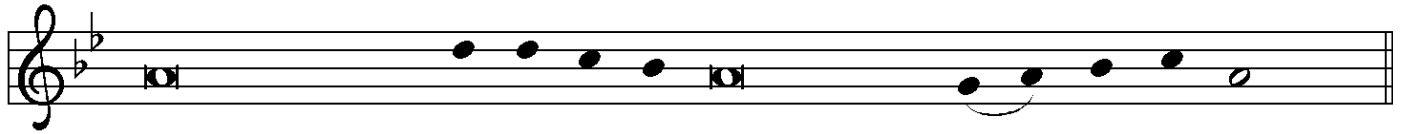
For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



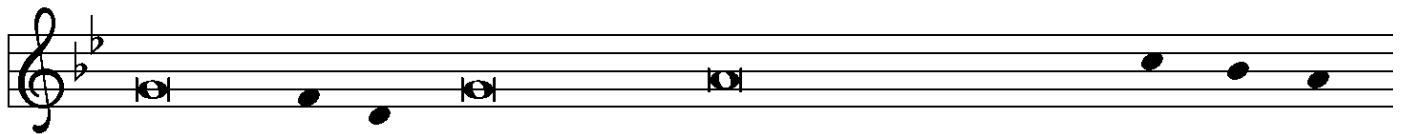
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



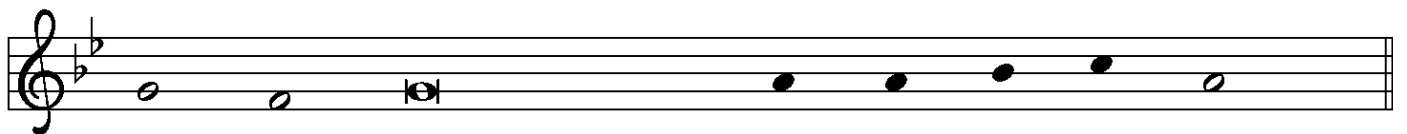
For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and



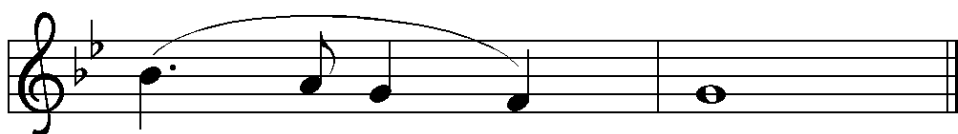
praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

↑Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

G: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. open our hearts, Lord God,
to prepare the way of your only Son.

By his arrival nurture our growth as people of repentance and peace;
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

G: **Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19

*To begin the psalm, the Choir sings the Refrain in its entirety and all repeat.
Thereafter, the Refrain is sung as indicated below.*



Leader or Choir: Bles-sed are you, LORD God,



All: **The God of Is - ra - el.**

¹Give the king your justice, O God,

and your righteousness to the king's son;

²**that he may rule your people righteously
and the poor with justice;**

³that the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,
and the hills, in righteousness.

⁴**Let him defend the needy among the people,
rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.**

Refrain

⁵May he live as long as the sun and moon endure,
from one generation to another.

⁶**Let him come down like rain upon the mown field,
like showers that water the earth.**

⁷In his time may the righteous flourish;
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

¹⁸**Blessed are you, Lord God, the God of Israel;
you alone do wondrous deeds!**

¹⁹And blessed be your glorious name forever,
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. Amen. Amen.

Refrain

Second Reading

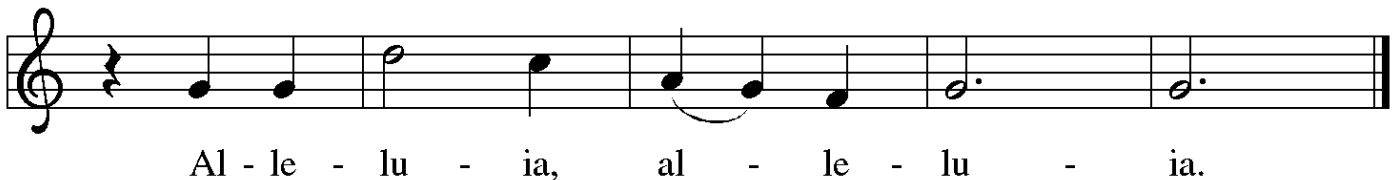
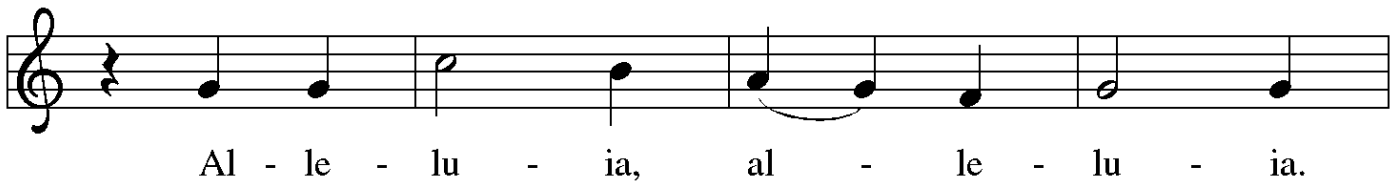
Romans 15:4-13

A: Word of God, Word of life.

G: Thanks be to God.

↑ Gospel Acclamation

All sing the Alleluia. The choir sings the Verse, then all repeat the Alleluia.



Verse (Choir):

Prepare the way of the Lord. All flesh shall see the salvation of God. (Lk 3:4,6)

↑ The Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

P: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

G: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Following the reading

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

G: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

↑ Hymn of the Day

On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry
ELW 249

↑ Apostles' Creed

☒: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.



Prayers of the Church

☒: . . . Lord, in your mercy,

☒: hear our prayer.

Holy Communion – All baptized Christians who seek a taste of the new and forgiven life in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the sacrament. We confess and believe that Christ in his risen form is truly present in the Sacrament of Bread and Wine and that by sharing in this meal, we share in Christ’s risen presence among us.

The ministration of the Sacrament is given in two ways:

In the pew:

You may commune in the pews with individual elements. These are available in the narthex as you enter.

When invited to commune, peel off the bottom tab to eat the bread; peel off the top tab to drink the wine. The waste can go in the paper bag found in each pew.

By intinction:

When prompted by the ushers, come down the center aisle to kneel at the railing; please sanitize your hands. Receive a wafer in your hands. Dip it in a chalice, either wine or grape juice, before partaking. Use the outside aisle to return to your seat.

↑ **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**

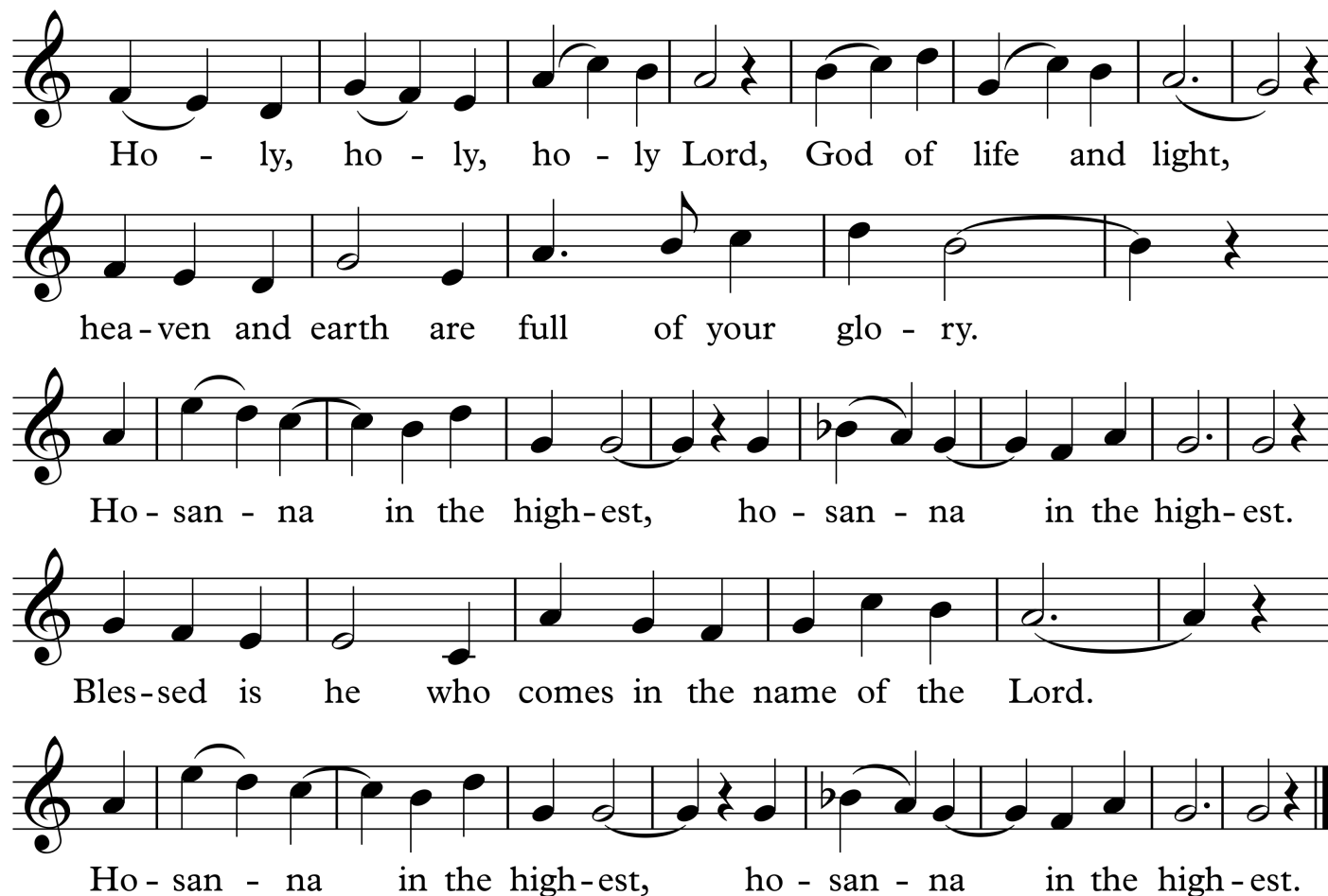
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

☐: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . .
. . . praise your name and join their unending hymn:

↑ Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of life and light,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

↑ Words of Institution

↑ Lord's Prayer

P: As we prepare our hearts for this holy meal,
let us pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

G: **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 Table

P: Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God, who has come to save you.

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us



peace, grant us peace.

Distribution Hymn

Each Winter as the Year Grows Older

The choir sings stanzas 1-2. All join at stanza 3.

ELW 252

↑ Post Communion Prayer

P: Faithful God,

in this meal you have shown us your mercy,

bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ.

As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled,

sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery.

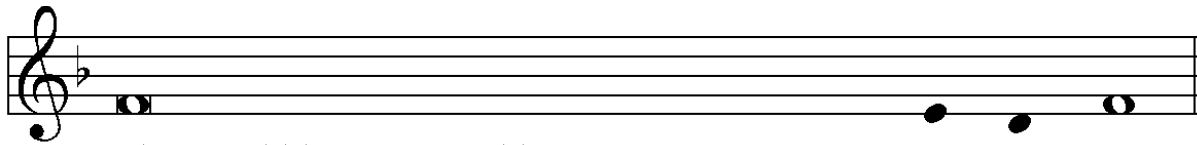
Guide us toward your promised future,

coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

G: Amen.

Announcements

↑ **Benediction**



P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † grant you peace.



G: A - men.

Sending Hymn

Comfort, Comfort Now My People
ELW 256

↑ **Dismissal**

A: Go in peace. Christ is near.
G: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Selections from a partita on FREU DICH SEHR (ELW 256)
Georg Böhm (1661–1733)

Please note that the postlude may feature the full organ.

Please maintain social distancing as we exit. On your way out, put your bulletin back in the baskets on the table if you do not want to take it with you. Offerings may be put in the offering plate as you exit. You may remain in fellowship with one another as long as you like.

About Today's Music

A *partita* is a multi-movement piece on a melodic theme. In the context of church music, a partita is almost always a *chorale partita*, that is, a piece of music in which the chorale melody is given different interpretive treatments. Sometimes the composer “paints” the text with the musical treatment; other times, the partita functions similarly to a theme and variations, as is the case with today's source for the organ variations on FREU DICH SEHR (ELW 256, the 10:30 Sending Hymn) by Lutheran composer Georg Böhm (1661–1733). At the 10:30 service, the choir foreshadows the hymn by singing Richard Proulx's spritely setting of it. Proulx (1937–2010), a prolific church music composer and editor, spent part of his career in Seattle, serving for 10 years at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Medina. He also had strong associations with both St. James Cathedral and St. Mark's Cathedral.

– Cantor Kyle

ANNOUNCEMENTS — DECEMBER 4

WELCOME! Please fill out a CONNECT card if you are visiting us today, if you wish to receive our emails or newsletter, or if you wish the pastor to contact you. PRAY cards may be used for prayer requests. Place cards in the offering plate as you leave.

CHILDCARE: Our upstairs nursery is available and staffed today.

DECEMBER FORUMS:

Join us from 9 to 10 today and the following December Sundays to catch up with the work of three nonprofits we closely support:

12/04 **New Horizons**

with Rob Stewart

12/11 **Compass Housing**

with Sam Townsend

12/18 **CORE Tanzania**

with Michael & Jeannette Banobi

COFFEE AND CHOCOLATE, OLD AND NEW

Thanks to Joel Matter, we now have a new shipment of Lutheran World Relief Fair Trade coffee and chocolate bars and you are invited to purchase them after worship. Note that the old (pre-pandemic!) supply of coffee is marked with a red "X" and available to anyone who wants to use it as garden fertilizer.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Barb Bash: Tuesday only, 9:00 AM – 5:30 PM. Barb is on vacation Wednesday, Dec. 7 through Wednesday, Dec. 14. During that time, hours will vary. Please call the office phone at 206-284-1960, or email Pastor Dan (pastor@queenannelutheran.org) or Kyle Haugen (cantor@queenannelutheran.org) before coming by.

Pastor Dan and **Cantor Kyle** are typically present in the office Tuesday – Thursday, and Wednesday – Thursday, respectively, as well as on Saturdays. Feel free to contact them directly if you wish to make an appointment.

CHORAL CONCERT IN TACOMA – Cantor Kyle Haugen's community choir, Northwest Repertory Singers, presents concerts on Saturday, December 17 at 7:30 PM and Sunday, December 18 at 3:00 PM at Tacoma's Christ Episcopal Church. The program features "Night of Wonder," a poignant new choral piece with poetry by QALC member Pastor Paul Hoffman, part of a lush collection of Christmas music tied to the Americas – with nods to Canada, the Southwest, the African American musical tradition, and more. Tickets and info: www.nwrs.org.

THE BUSINESS OF THE CHURCH

Each month, the records of the Church Council meetings are posted for all to see in the sacristy hallway. If you ever have questions about the "business of the church," take a look there, and feel free to talk to any of our Council members:

Brent McCullough

Lisa Ondrejcek

Susan Evans

Myra Dittes

Kirsti Melby

Lisa Kjaer

Brian Louie

Al Shabino

John Reese

Cathi Unseth

Be Awake! It's Advent Today!

TODAY: THE GREENING OF THE CHURCH

Jennifer Jones and others are decorating the church for the Advent season **after church today** and would love your help. Talk to Jennifer for details!



COOKIE-BAKING

Today from 1 to 4 PM – Come to the Fellowship Hall Kitchen to bake and decorate cookies! Some will be used the following week for caroling, others donated to Compass Housing residents for Christmas cheer. Youth and adults welcome! Contact Susan Evans for more details: susan_evans@comcast.net

MS/HS YOUTH: GINGERBREAD BUILDING CONTEST

Today from 4 to 6 PM (right after cookie-baking)

What kind of structure will you make, and will it win the top prize of “Gingerbread Superstructure”? Join Project Phoenix (formerly LYONS) for an afternoon filled with gingerbread and pizza! (Dinner will be provided!)

What to bring: Yourself, your friends! (Optional: candy to add to our building supplies.)

Questions? Email Kirsten Erickson: klerickson77@gmail.com



CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

Next Sunday Dec. 11 at 4 PM

Come sing Christmas carols together – outside on the church grounds if weather permits – and invite your friends!

Refreshments will be served in the narthex.

ADVENT GIVING BY DEC. 16:

Compass Housing has a **cookie drive** for cookies in 2-dozen batches. Even if you can't bake with us December 4th, feel free to donate cookies to that cause. Homemade cookies need to have an ingredients list. Store-bought cookies are okay, too.

Compass Housing is also collecting **gift-cards for residents**. Purchase \$25 cards from Walmart, Fred Meyer, or Amazon.

Bring your cookies or gift-cards to church before December 16 and we will get them to Compass Housing.

DINNER FOR NEW HORIZONS, DEC. 30:

Every “**Fifth Friday**,” we provide dinner to the guests at **New Horizons** – including this month's fifth Friday, **December 30**. We have a main course.

Contact Jim Margard at jrm952@gmail.com if you can provide salad, vegetable side, bread, or dessert to the youth there. Dinner averages around 35 people.





THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, December 4

Advent II

Worship 8:00 AM

Forum (Conf Rm/Zoom) 9:00 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Greening the Church *after worship*

Cookie-Baking (FH Kitchen) 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Gingerbread Houses (FH) 4:00–6:00 PM

(Project Phoenix MS/HS Youth Activity)

Monday

Food Addicts in Recovery (FH) 7:00 PM

Tuesday

Executive Committee (Zoom) 7:00 PM

Wednesday *(shortened office hours)*

Sewing & Service (Downstairs) 10:00 AM

AA Counterbalance (FH) 8:00 PM

Thursday *(shortened office hours)*

Choir Rehearsal (Music Room) 7:00 PM

Friday *(office closed)*

Saturday

Alanon Women (upstairs) 10:30 AM

AA Shanty Trudgers (upstairs) 7:00 PM

Sunday, December 11

Advent III with PLU brass quintet

Worship 8:00 AM

Forum (Conf Rm/Zoom) 9:00 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

Caroling (narthex/breezeway) 4:00 PM

NATIVITIES FOR FAMILIES/CHILDREN

From the Unseth family:

Our mother, Lois Unseth, collected Nativity sets. They had more meaning to her than being a “hobby” – that word does not do justice to her collection. If you knew our mother, you would know of her love and commitment to children.

We can think of no better way to honor her legacy than sharing her Nativities with the children of QALC and their families. Today we have set Mom’s Nativities out on tables in the hallway across from the office. Please select one to take home. The Nativity sets range from a single piece up to one with 20 figurines, so you may want to consider your available space. We hope the sets will give you a fond remembrance of Mom.

– the Unseths

CHRISTMAS IS NEAR!

Please join us for our holiday services:

Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24

05:30 PM

11:00 PM *with PLU brass quintet*

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25

One service only, at 11:00 AM

(note: our regular 8 and 10:30 services will not be held this Sunday)

New Year’s Day, Sunday, January 1

One service only, at 10:30 AM. We will return to our regular schedule after that.