

## 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 19, 2023

10:30 AM



↑ = *Stand*   **C**: *Congregation*   **A**: *Worship Assistant*   **P**: *Presiding Minister*

Hymns may be found in the red hymnals in the pews. • Large-print hymns are available in the narthex as you enter. • Quiet Bags with books and soft toys, or Doodle Bags with markers are available in the narthex for children.

**Prelude**

*on "Netherlands"*  
Beatrice Hatton Fisk

**Welcome**

↑ **Gathering Hymn**

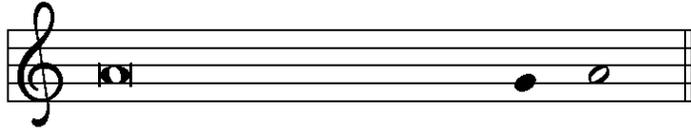
*We Praise You, O God*  
ELW 870

↑ **Greeting**

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

**C**: And also with you.

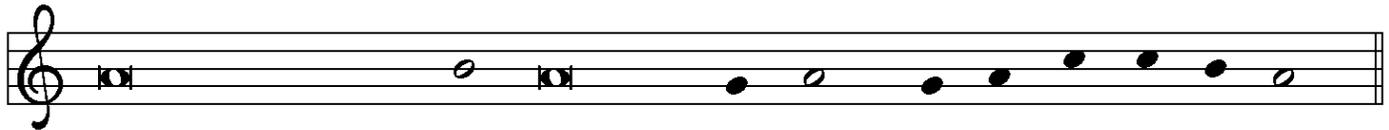
↑ Kyrie and Canticle of Praise



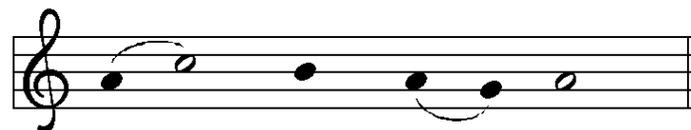
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



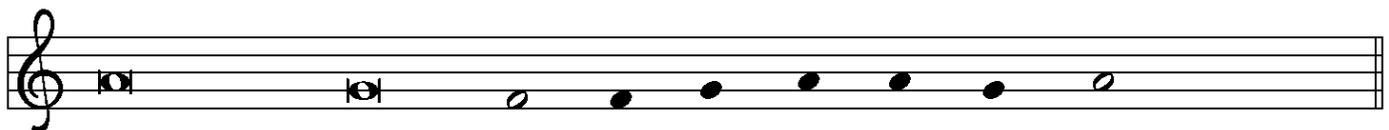
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



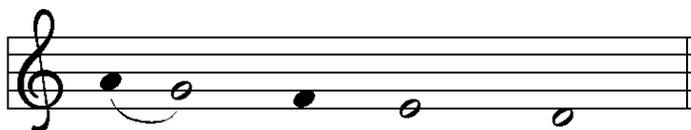
Lord, have mer - cy.



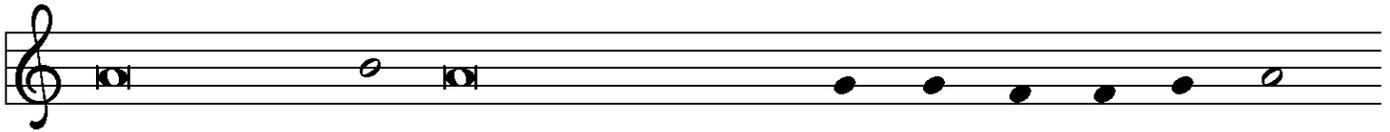
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy 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.

*Refrain*

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Prayer of the Day

**P:** The Lord be with you.

**G:** And also with you.

**P:** Let us pray.

Righteous and merciful God,  
the earth and all its peoples belong to you,  
and you give us all that we have.

Inspire us to serve you by helping and caring for others,  
and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**G:** Amen.

## First Reading

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

**A**: Word of God, Word of life.

**G**: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalmody

Psalm 90:1-8, 12

*The psalm is spoken responsively by whole verse.*

*The congregation responds to the leader with the words in boldface type.*

<sup>1</sup>Lord, you have been our refuge  
from one generation to another.

<sup>2</sup>**Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.**

<sup>3</sup>You turn us back to the dust and say,  
“Turn back, O children of earth.”

<sup>4</sup>**For a thousand years in your sight  
are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night;**

<sup>5</sup>you sweep them away like a dream,  
they fade away suddenly like the grass:

<sup>6</sup>**in the morning it is green and flourishes;  
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

<sup>7</sup>For we are consumed by your anger;  
we are afraid because of your wrath.

<sup>8</sup>**Our iniquities you have set before you,  
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

## Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

**A**: Word of God, Word of life.

**G**: **Thanks be to God.**

↑ Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

↑ The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

☐: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

☑: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Following the reading*

☐: The Gospel of the Lord.

☑: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Rev. John Michael Barich

↑ Hymn of the Day

*Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow*

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## ↑ 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.



The Apostles' Creed emphasizes the full humanity of Christ (e.g., he was born, suffered, and died) in response to one of the earliest heresies, namely, the view that Christ only "appeared" to be human. Why? Detractors believed that the Spirit of God, which is good, could not dwell in a material or physical body, which is evil. When we profess the Apostles' Creed, following Jewish tradition, we insist otherwise. The world God made is good! With great joy and without contradiction, therefore, we can say with John 1:14 that "the Word became flesh and dwelled among us."

## Prayers of the Church *(please be seated or kneel)*

**A**: . . . Lord, in your mercy.

**☩**: Hear our prayer.

## ↑ Sharing of Peace

**P**: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C**: **And also with you.**

**Holy Communion** – All people 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, who fills all things, comes to us in a special way through the Sacrament of Bread and Wine and that by sharing in this meal, we share in Christ's real 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.

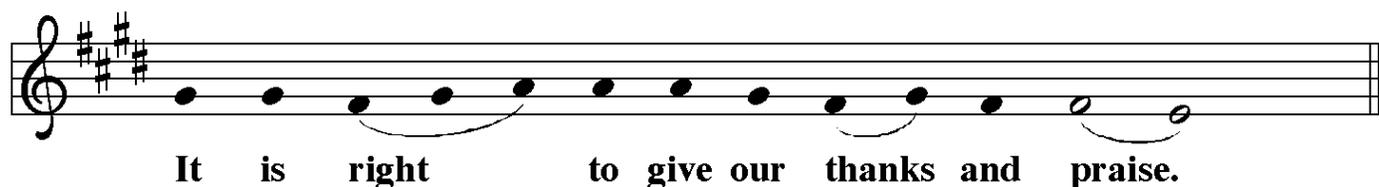
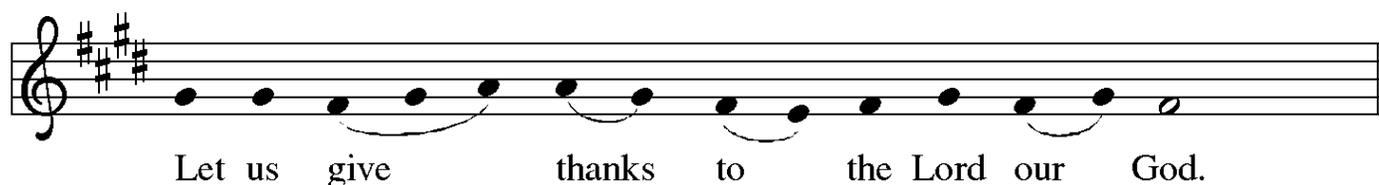
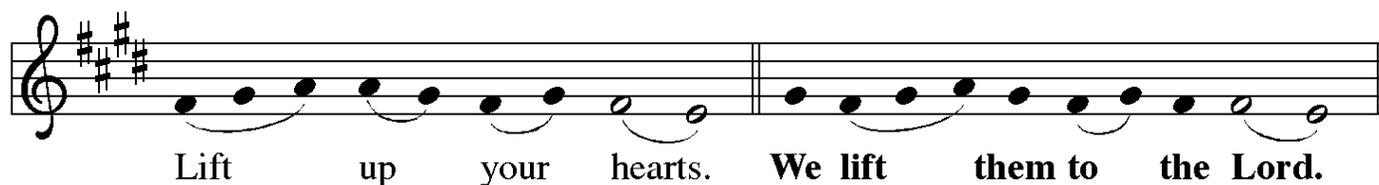
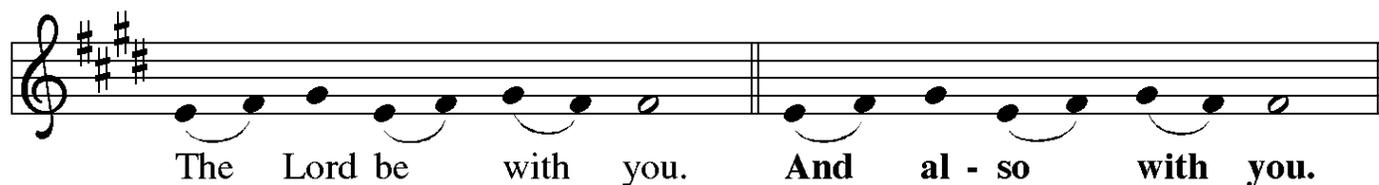
When invited to commune, peel off the bottom tab to eat the bread; peel off the top tab to drink the wine. The waste can go in the paper bag found in each pew.

### **By intinction:**

When prompted by the ushers, come down the center aisle to kneel at the railing; please sanitize your hands.

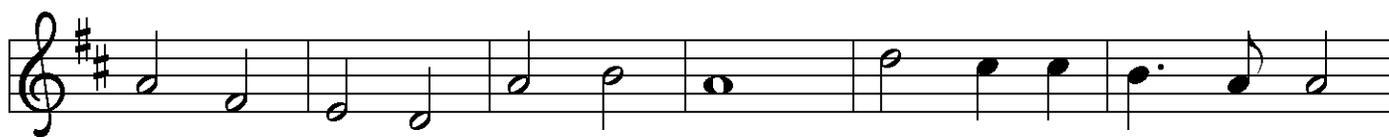
Receive a wafer in your hands. Dip it in a chalice, either wine or grape juice, before partaking. Use the outside aisle to return to your seat.

## ↑ The Great Thanksgiving



**P**: It is our duty and delight . . . . . and join their unending hymn:

↑ **Sanctus**



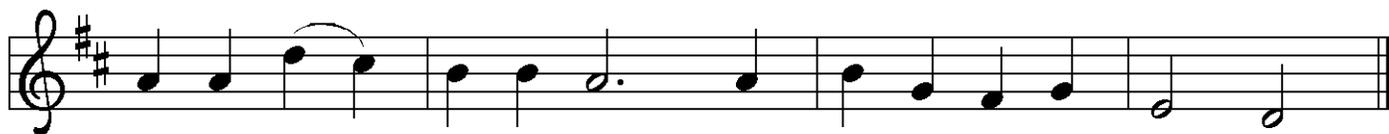
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of light and life,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

↑ **Words of Institution**

↑ **Lord's Prayer**

**P**: Lord, as we prepare ourselves for this holy act of sharing,  
let us pray as Jesus teaches:

**C**: **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  
and 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**: Come and taste the joy of God!

## 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

*Jesus, Remember Me*

*This hymn from the Taizé Community will be sung several times. You are invited to sing harmony or melody.*

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## Post Communion Prayer

**P**: Lord Jesus,  
in this simple meal you have set a banquet.  
Sustain us on the journey,  
strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children,  
and give us glad and generous hearts  
as we meet you on the way.

**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:** Amen.

## ↑ **Sending Hymn**

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*  
ELW 580

## ↑ **Dismissal**

**A:** Go in peace. Be Christ to your neighbor.

**G:** Thanks be to God.

## **Postlude**

*Nun danket alle Gott*  
Georg Friedrich Kauffman

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS —NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

**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.

**OUR GUEST PREACHER, REV. JOHN MICHAEL BARICH**, has been serving as pastor to churches in St. Louis, Chicago, and Seattle's Central District in 1998 for 24 years. His second "stint" in Seattle began in 2008 as Chaplain at the University of Washington and at Trinity Lutheran-Capitol Hill where he led students and members to help prepare and serve meals at Central Lutheran. During his candidacy into the ELCA, he managed the Food Bank at Immanuel Lutheran in SLU and has worked, on and off, for the Elliott Bay Book Company for nearly half of its 50 years' history. He most recently finished a 5-year redevelopment assignment at Glendale Lutheran School & Church and is currently awaiting his next Call.

**WE WELCOME MARTHA FREITAG** as our guest organist. Martha earned her Bachelor of Music in organ performance from Lawrence University Conservatory of Music, Appleton, WI, and a Master of Arts in musicology from UNC Chapel Hill, NC, where she studied harpsichord. She grew up in the Lutheran tradition and over the years has served various denominations as a church musician. She keeps a busy schedule as a free-lance organist and choir director in the Seattle area.

## **THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

### **Sunday, November 19**

Worship 8:00 AM  
Forum(*Conf. Rm*) 9:00 AM  
Worship 10:30 AM

### **Monday**

Northern Lights Circle (*Zoom*) 7:00 PM  
Food Addicts in Recovery (*FH*) 7:00 PM

### **Tuesday**

Community Lunch on Capitol Hill  
(@*All Pilgrims CC*) 8:30 AM-1:00 PM

### **Wednesday (office closed, Wed. – Fri.)**

AA Counterbalance (*FH*) 7:30 PM

### **Thursday**

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

### **Saturday**

Alanon / Alateen (*upstairs*) 10:30 AM  
AA Shanty Trudgers (*upstairs*) 7:00 PM

### **Sunday, November 26**

Worship 8:00 AM  
Forum(*Conf. Rm*) 9:00 AM  
Worship 10:30 AM

**FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR** today are provided by Carol Bonenko and Andrea Coughlin in remembrance of their mother, Thelma Westberg.

**OUR WORSHIP CONTINUES** after the service with fellowship. Today's coffee hour is no-host; special thanks to any who share treats or make coffee!

**THANKOFFERINGS:** Our annual offering to WELCA, Women of the ELCA, runs through November. Pick up a blue envelope in the narthex to donate.

**THE QUILL IS OUT!** Pick up a copy of the November *Quill* in the narthex today, or find it online at our website.

**"THANK GOD IT'S THURSDAY!"**

**All are invited to meet for dinner @ 6 PM Thursday, Nov. 30 at Thai Fusion** at 15 Nickerson St. No agenda, just a chance to socialize with others in the church. (Note: *a previous invite to Zeek's on Wednesday has given way to this gathering*)

**NOTE: QALCW CIRCLE's November Bible Study has been rescheduled to Tuesday, November 28.**

**FORUM TODAY – The first session of our second November series:**

### **11/19 CONFLICT IN GAZA: Historical Context**

What motivated the recent attack by Hamas, and what motives are driving the Israeli government's retaliation? Why have the victims in this war been mostly civilians? Ultimately, what is at stake for Israelis and for Palestinians in this war? Historical context can provide insight and empathetic understanding in response to these key questions.

*Alissa Walter is an Associate Professor of History at Seattle Pacific University where her research and classes focus on modern Middle Eastern history. Her current book project, which is currently under review, is a history of daily life in Baghdad in recent decades: Contested City: How Ordinary Iraqis Navigated Life in Baghdad from Saddam Hussein to the American Occupation. Alissa earned her PhD in Middle Eastern history from Georgetown University.*

## FORUM 11/26 CONFLICT IN GAZA: Media Narratives and Misinformation

The fast-paced news cycle coupled with demands from social media to "pick a side" have confused audiences trying to follow the events in Israel and Gaza. This talk aims to provide context behind popular circulating narratives and tools for detecting misinformation.

*Sara Shaban is an assistant professor of journalism and communication at Seattle Pacific University. Shaban is a critical/cultural researcher focused on the intersections between media, social movements, and geopolitics in the Middle East. In 2022, she published her first book Iranian Feminism and Transnational Ethics in Media Discourse, a copy of which will be raffled at the forum.*

Our November 19 & 26 sessions will meet in-person in our Conference Room as usual. Due to the sensitive nature of the subject matter, the Zoom link for attendance will be posted only to the Member Area of our website. Contact the church office for access.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 : Q&A SESSION WITH PASTOR DAN

Pastor Dan has been accepted as a visiting scholar to do research at Princeton Theological Seminary next fall (September 1 –November 30, 2024). Join him and Pastor Mark Griffith, who recently returned from a two-year sabbatical as the pastor of Holden Village, for conversation on what this means for our congregation and to answer whatever questions you have. Food will be provided.

## NEW IN DECEMBER: REQUEST – OR OFFER – A RIDE TO CHURCH

Keenly aware that there are members of our congregation who would love to be with us for Sunday worship but lack transportation to and from church, the Visitation Team is piloting a ride-share program the entire congregation can participate in that will roll out in December. Details are in the November *Quill*.

**Do you, or someone you know, need a ride to church?** Call the church office by noon on the Thursday before to make the request. Each Friday, Barb will send a stand-alone email out to the congregation with the subject line "RIDES REQUESTED" listing any requests and including a link to the riders' contact info in Sign-Up Genius.

**Are you available to give a ride?** This is a volunteer opportunity that requires **no commitment beyond a one-Sunday-at-a-time response**. Volunteer drivers use the emailed link to access the Sign-Up Genius page; sign up, and use the information there to contact the rider directly to make arrangements for that Sunday. If you are planning to be at church anyway and can provide a ride to someone else, please consider fulfilling a ride request.

## UPCOMING RIDWELL SPECIAL COLLECTIONS – start gathering!

Bring by today, November 19: Gently-used towels and linens

Bring by December 3: Usable CDs, DVDs, and video games

Bring by December 17: Usable (unopened) toiletries

Details are in our November *Quill*

## THANKSGIVING WEEK & BEYOND – Office Open Tuesday, Closed W-TH-F

**Pastor Dan** is away, returning to work Saturday, November 25. He is attending a conference in San Antonio through Monday, then celebrating Thanksgiving with family. **Kyle Haugen** will continue recuperating through Sunday 11/26 after a medical event landed him in the hospital all last week.

**Barb Bash's** eldest, Tom, is having major heart surgery this Wednesday, November 22, and will require Barb's care during a lengthy recovery afterwards. (*Late Update: There may be a delay in Tom's surgery date; we'll keep you posted.*) If all goes as planned, Barb will be taking time away from Wednesday, November 22 through Tuesday, November 28, and the church office will be closed during that time. After that, Barb will be in the office four hours each workday. **New church office hours will be 2 PM to 6 PM Tuesday through Friday.** Barb will work from home in the mornings. This schedule will last at least until the end of 2023.

## QUEEN ANNE HELPLINE – THANKSGIVING BAGS FOR SENIORS.

Help us meet our goal of providing 20 bags! Bags can be left in the narthex **before noon on Tuesday.** Queen Anne Helpline asks for the following 8 items in each bag:

- Vegetables (1 can of corn, 1 can of beans)
- Box of mashed potatoes
- Box of stuffing
- Jar of cranberry sauce
- Jar of gravy
- Box of instant oatmeal
- Package of cookies
- Juice (at least two individually-sized bottles)



**NOVEMBER TUESDAYS:** Thanks to all those who are helping prepare & serve lunches at **COMMUNITY LUNCH ON CAPITOL HILL.** The guests are wonderful to serve, and what we give, we get right back in gratitude! If you'd like to participate, there are still two Tuesdays left; sign up in the narthex for either of the two time slots (a portion of the time, is okay, too). Contact Jim Margard or anyone who has served already with questions.

**WARM CLOTHING DRIVE:** Men's jackets, sweaters, socks, gloves and hats are welcome. Donations will be collected in the narthex on an ongoing basis and will be delivered to Queen Anne Helpline to help our neighbors keep warm this winter.

**DONATIONS NEEDED:** Sewing and Service is looking for **LARGE/XLARGE MEN'S COTTON T-SHIRTS** to be "up-cycled" into diapers for LWR baby kits. Please leave donations in the narthex.

# Mark Your Calendar – December Events!

## **Sunday, December 3:**

Forum – Lutheran Community Services NW 9:00 AM  
Advent Fellowship – Food & Crafts 9:00–10:15 AM  
Q&A Session with Pastor Dan after 10:30 worship

## **Wednesdays, December 6, 13, 20:**

Advent chapel service NOON

## **Friday, December 8:**

Youth gift-wrap at Compass Housing 5:30–7:30 PM

## **Sunday, December 10:**

Forum – Living the Faith: RIC 9:00- AM  
Greening of the Church after 10:30 worship  
Project Phoenix event at QALC: 2:00–4:00 PM  
*Extreme Makeover: Gnome Edition!*  
Caroling at QALC 4:00–6:00 PM

## **Saturday, December 16:**

Youth cookie-baking 10:00 AM –1:00 PM

## **Week of December 16-23:**

Delivering Poinsettias volunteer choice

## **Sunday, December 17:**

Forum – CORE Tanzania 9:00–10:00 AM

## **Sunday, December 24:**

4th Sunday in Advent worship with a Hymn-sing 10:30 AM  
Christmas Eve worship – Family-friendly 5:30 PM  
Christmas Eve worship – Candlelight Eucharist 11:00 PM

## **Monday, December 25:**

Christmas Day worship 10:30 AM