The Quill

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Weekly, we are also mailing bulletins and sermon transcripts to households that are unable to attend church. If you would like to receive such a mailing, please let us know. And if you do **not** need to get the bulletin by mail, give us a call as well!

Please Note: All mail to the church must be sent to this address:

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The Unexpected: Princeton

Advent is a season of hope for the appearance of something new. Soon the light of God will shine among us, albeit in the most *unexpected* of ways. Instead of finding God in glory and among the powerful, we find God wrapped in swaddling clothes in a manger.

Last January, something unexpected happened to me as well.

The day after my mother died, I received an email from Princeton Theological Seminary (PTS) indicating I had been accepted as a Visiting Scholar for the fall of 2023. The news was bittersweet. Even then, however, I felt elated. What an opportunity.

So, how did this opportunity happen? Last fall, I was searching for ways to spend the remaining month of my sabbatical. I heard about a one-month program at PTS during the summer, only to find out it did not exist. Instead, I discovered that PTS offered a selective three-month opportunity every fall to be a Visiting Scholar who would have access to faculty resources, one of the largest theological libraries in the country, and even an office on campus. It was the last day to apply. I did so on a whim, not expecting to be chosen.

Learning otherwise, I shared the news with our council. After extensive conversation and at the recommendation of our executive leadership, I decided to postpone the opportunity for a year to the fall of 2024. PTS agreed. The council subsequently approved of my three-month departure with the understanding that taking this opportunity would *benefit the congregation*.

And it will.

Being a Visiting Scholar will allow me to focus on completing a book manuscript, the publication of which will position us to draw people to our church. It will give me the chance to plan new educational programming and sermons for QALC based on my research, and it will enable me to establish connections with faculty as potential speakers for future forums. It will also enable me to live out my call to QALC as both pastor *and* theologian.

The best news is that paying for this opportunity will come from funding we already have: my sabbatical money will cover one third of my time away, continuing education will cover another third, and the council approved the remaining third as "leave with pay," assuming I use my vacation time to work on the manuscript before I leave. We also have enough in the sabbatical fund to hire a full-time pastor (John Barich) who will take my place while I am away.

Yes, Advent is the season of hope, but for me it is also a season of gratitude when it comes to being part of a congregation that sees the benefit of continuing education for its ministry and evangelism. If you have any questions about my time away, please reach out to me. I welcome the conversation.

Thank you and may God bless you this Advent season,

Pastor Dan

FROM THE CANTOR

Dear Queen Anne Lutheran Church sisters and brothers in Christ,

Thank you so much for your prayers, messages, and emails during my hospital stay and recuperation. I am blessed by your support and encouragement! I am thankful that I'm doing much better and that I've returned to work. However, this new digestive condition that I have developed over the past month or so (diverticulitis) will probably require some more treatment in the months ahead. But for now, with a careful diet, I'm unlikely to have complications, and I am feeling nearly back to normal.

Thank you again for your care and kindness. I look forward to celebrating Advent and Christmas with you through music, as we contemplate the incarnation of the Word made flesh. *Soli Deo Gloria!*

See you in church,

Cantor Kyle

cantor@queenannelutheran.org

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICES

ADVENT SUNDAYS: This year, the four Advent Sundays are December 3, 10, 17, and 24. So, the Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 24, is also Christmas Eve! On that day, we will offer Sunday morning worship at 10:30 only, as well as two Christmas Eve worship services



MIDWEEK WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL: Advent, like Lent, is a time of preparation. This Advent, we will offer **Wednesday worship at noon in the chapel** on December 6, 13, and 20. These contemplative services will include prayer, a hymn, and a brief homily from Pastor Dan on the text of a Psalm. All are welcome.



CHRISTMAS WORSHIP:

SUNDAY. DECEMBER 24:

10:30 AM 4th Sunday in Advent Morning Worship & Hymn-Sing

05:30 PM Christmas Eve worship — Family-friendly service with Children's Message

II:00 PM Christmas Eve worship — Candlelight Eucharist with Choir and Brass **MONDAY, DECEMBER 25:**

10:30 AM Christmas Day worship — Eucharist and Carols welcome Christmas morning

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Cards & Fellowship, December 10

From 9 to 10 AM, let's gather in the Conference Room to sign Christmas cards and share treats and coffee—these cards, along with poinsettias, will be delivered the following week to member households who are unable to come to services. Interested in helping with deliveries? Contact Susan Evans.

Greening of the Church, December 10

Please stay after 10:30 worship if you are able to help us decorate the Christmas trees in the sanctuary and narthex. Questions? Contact Jennifer Jones.



Christmas Caroling Outside, December 10

On Sunday, December 10 at 4 PM, the entire congregation and our neighbors and friends are invited for caroling outside under the breezeway with Cantor Kyle at the keyboard. We hope to see you there for song, cider and treats.

Share Your Nativity Set:

We are again displaying nativity sets in the narthex for this season. If you have a crèche you'd like to share, please bring it in to add to the mantel or narthex table for all to enjoy.



Visitation Team's New Ride-Share Program Is Up and Running 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.

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.

*The Visitation Team reaches out and stays connected with homebound members of the congregation (and any member who might appreciate the outreach) via phone calls, emails, postal mail, and in-person visits (which can include bringing communion). If you would like to become part of our Visitation Team, or if you or someone you know would appreciate outreach from us, please email us at visitation@queenannelutheran.org —Peggy Morgan

Delivering Poinsettias—Can You Help?

Once again this year, we will deliver poinsettias and a cheery Christmas hello to 15 Queen Anne Lutheran households. (There also are a few people who don't wish to have a poinsettia but would love a visit anyway!) If you can make one or two deliveries or visits between December 16 and 23, please talk to Susan Evans to find out how, or contact the church office; many thanks!

If you would like to contribute one or more plants, please fill out the

form on page 14 or <u>online HERE</u> before Tuesday, December 19. Commemorations will be noted in the church bulletins for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

SOCIAL ACTION TEAM

Upcoming Social Action Opportunities

Men's Clothing Drive. Just when the QAH men's clothing shelves grow thin, we'll help resupply them. Please bring new underwear and socks and other new or clean used clothing, marked "QAH," to the narthex. We can collect on an ongoing basis, and will deliver in the first week of January, or sooner if our supply swells.



New Horizons Ministries: Please consider preparing a dinner dish for 40 youth on Friday, December 29. The main course is already covered, and our youth will bake cookies the dessert. Volunteers can contact Jim Margard at jrm952@gmail.com



Ridwell Updates:

Although we no longer host a Ridwell bin at the church, we continue to collect Ridwell donations here, (plastic film, batteries, threads and light bulbs). Susan Evans hosts the bin at her house and takes home whatever items are dropped off. Lisa Kjaer collects our Styrofoam and turns that in with her home bin. Ridwell always has a special monthly collection, and here is one upcoming in December:

Needed by Sunday, December 17: usable toiletries.

Is your bathroom cupboard cluttered with extra bottles of shampoo that you bought on sale? Have a stash of hotel toiletries you don't use but can't bring yourself to throw away? Let us help you get those items out of your cupboard and into the hands of community members who need them! Includes new, unopened hotel, travel-size, and full-size toiletries, new floss, new lip balm, new packaged or wrapped menstrual products, new sunscreen, new hand sanitizer, and new, unused adhesive bandages in packages or Ziploc bags. **No used or opened products, please.**

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. We cannot use any military, flag or religious screenprints. Please leave donations in the narthex bin for LWR.



FORUMS IN DECEMBER



12/17 Update on Twegashe School / CORE Tanzania

Michael and Jeannette Banobi

After Michael and Jeannette Banobi, QALC members, visited Michael's village in Tanzania in 2015 and found that the village school wasn't adequate to provide success for its students, they formed a non-profit to build a new school. Twegashe Primary School is now providing a high-quality, participatory education with classes taught in English to give children a better chance of success in secondary school.

In April 2022 they began construction on Phase 2 of the school, with five more classrooms, a library, administration block, and additional teacher housing. This new phase will allow Twegashe School to expand through grade 7 (the last year of primary school in Tanzania) and to add a pre-K class so our students will be ready to learn when they start kindergarten. (QALC member Marc Oplingerdesigned the buildings for both Phase 1 and 2 and traveled to Bushasha to oversee some of the construction.)

Because of Covid and travel restrictions, we had to cancel last year's scheduled presentation. In the meantime, the school has made even more progress toward their mission and the Banobis will share that good news.

LOOKING AHEAD—

TO JANUARY FORUMS, AND TO THURSDAYS IN LENT:

Women of the Reformation

1/21 Bishop Shelley Bryan-Wee

1/28 and 2/4

Dr. Lynn Hofstad

Discussions about the **Protestant Reformation** often highlight the role of important male figures—Luther, Calvin, Zwingli, etc. However, the tenets of the Reformation brought changes for women. These sessions will explore the roles of women in the early Protestant Church, as well as highlight the important contributions of specific women, such as Katie Luther (Katharina von Bora) and Katharina Schutz.



FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

An End-of-Year Thank you from the Finance Committee ... and notes about End-of-Year Giving

As we near the end of another year, the Finance Committee wishes to thank all of you who have faithfully supported the mission and ministry of Queen Anne Lutheran this year. Your faithful donations throughout the year have been crucial to maintaining our benevolence payments and our ministry expenses. And we are grateful as well for your many hours of volunteer service that keep our ministry vibrant and always reaching outward.

End of Year Giving

In this Advent season, many of us are already planning our end-of-year giving. If you are planning to make a special gift at the end of the year to further the mission and ministry of Queen Anne Lutheran, the following information may help you with your planning.

Donations by Check

You may know that the church must always observe the IRS rules for acknowledging donations. In order for your gifts to be included on your 2023 QALC Giving Statement, please remember that:

Hand-delivered checks must be received in the church office **by 5:00 pm on Sunday**, **December 31** (slipped under the office door if the door is locked).

If you are mailing a check to the church, it can be mailed as late as December 31, but **it must have a "2023" postmark** to be considered a 2023 donation.

PayPal Donations

QALC also accepts PayPal donations. Visit the church's website (queenannelutheran.org) and find your way to the "Donations" page. Like donations made via check, PayPal transactions must also be dated 2023.

Gifts of stock

Queen Anne Lutheran is also equipped to accept gifts of stock in lieu of checks. We have a brokerage account with Raymond James that can easily accept your stock transfers. Email our QALC Treasurer, Myra Dittes, (treasurer@queenannelutheran.org) for the Raymond James account number and DTC number.

Looking ahead to 2024

The new **2024 Offering Envelope booklets** will be available on a table in the narthex throughout the Advent and Christmas season. If you don't see an offering envelope book with your name on it and would like one, please contact our QALC Financial Secretary <u>Sallie Wilson</u>, or the church office. The church provides these numbered offering envelopes to help you become a faithful giver, but also to ensure the accurate recording of your donations by the Counters. Note that in addition to weekly envelopes, your book of offering envelopes includes several envelopes for "special offerings."

Lastly, please consider enrolling in **QALC's "Simply Giving" program**. We have been using the "Simply Giving" system for several years now and this accounts for 30 percent of our regular donations. Through this program, you can set up regular Direct Withdrawals from your checking or savings account to Queen Anne Lutheran. Jacqui Darroch administers this program for us. The paperwork is quite simple. To enroll, use the Enrollment and Authorization Form available on the narthex sign-up railing, from Jacqui, or go online to our GIVE page. Return the completed form, with a voided check, to the church office in a sealed envelope marked "Simply Giving." With questions or to make changes in your Simply Giving enrollment, just contact <u>Jacqui Darroch</u>, <u>Myra Dittes</u>, our QALC Treasurer, or our Financial Secretary, <u>Sallie Wilson</u>.

The Finance Committee members are Rich Mathes, Sallie Wilson, Ken Hockman, Cathi Unseth, and Myra Dittes. You can ask questions or provide input to any of us, or place your notes in our office mailbox, located in the lower left section.

Upcoming Youth Events

On **Friday, December 8** from 5:30 to 7:30, youth will meet at Compass Housing to help wrap gifts for the holidays. Pastor Dan will attend, too. Volunteers from other organizations will also be there.

On **Sunday, December 10**, **YOUTH—"EXTREME MAKEOVER: GNOME EDITION"** are invited to join Project Phoenix from 2 to 4 PM for an afternoon of competition like gnome other. Come and redesign a traditional gnome into a creation of your own making. We'll provide the gnomes, design supplies and snacks! There will be gnome trivia and prizes! Location: upstairs.



On **Saturday, December 16,** youth will gather from 10 AM until 1PM in the Fellowship Hall kitchen to bake and decorate cookies for Compass Housing, to use at their festivities the week following. Amy Castle, Ingrid Wysong, and Pastor Dan will be there to lead and help. Some of the cookies baked will also be held here to use as dessert at the dinner we provide to New Horizons on Friday, December 29 as part of our "fifth Friday" commitment.

In 2024: We will continue with youth service projects every two or three months in the coming year:

FEBRUARY: LDR Bake Sale We'll help our youth organize and prepare items for a bake sale here at church on Sunday, February 11 to raise funds for donation to Lutheran Disaster Relief. Youth will decide to which part of the world they would like to send their donation.

APRIL: Forest Restoration We will work with Green Seattle Partnership to find a spring date to help pull invasive plants and/or plant native flora to help restore the ecosystems in our parks or other forested areas in Seattle.

JUNE: Food Lifeline Food Lifeline gathers and re-packages food donations for delivery to the region's food banks. On a Saturday morning or afternoon, we'll take a trip to there to help them do that work.

It's Bible Sunday!

Pastor Dan was delighted, during his Children's Sermon on December 3rd, to present Bibles to children and youth in our congregation in a version appropriate to their age. Many thanks to Cathi Unseth for spearheading the effort to connect with our families and find appropriate Bibles. Since not every family was able to be with us that day, we will also provide some children with a Bible at our 5:30 PM Christmas Eve worship, or via other arrangements.





QALC Women's News:



Blue Christmas—The Women of the ELCA are once again marking Blue Christmas with a virtual service.

DATE: Wednesday, December 21

TIME: 5:00 – 6:00 pm PST

Women of the ELCA's Blue Christmas Service offers a safe place to bring your grief, fear, and loss.

Brief readings. Quiet and reflective music. Prayers. All are welcome. Spanish translation provided.

It's hard to sing "Joy to the World" when sadness engulfs your heart. The reality of life—memories of the past and the pain of the present—can leave many of us feeling less than joyful in December. It might be the death of a loved one, a discouraging diagnosis, a job loss, a family crisis, or the continuing impact of the pandemic. These challenges are all very much a part of life. Healing rituals like a Blue Christmas Service acknowledge painful realities and help us re-connect with the redeeming and reconciling love of God in Jesus Christ.

As a community of women, we have committed ourselves to promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world. How can we do that for those who are sad or suffering this season? We will gather on the longest night of the year in the Northern Hemisphere—the Winter Solstice—December 21. Into God's presence, we will bring whatever weighs us down: grief, fear, or loss. And we will be fed by the words, the music, and prayers.

Register <u>here</u> or go to the WELCA website. <u>https://www.womenoftheelca.org/blog/post/join-us-for-the-third-annual-blue-christmas-service</u>

December 27 (Wednesday) — **Help (anyone who can put rope in backpacks) is needed to put strings into backpacks for Twegashe School.** We will start around 5 and go until we finish! Michael and Jeanette need 60 backpacks this year since they will have a first-time kindergarten as well as a new first grade. Sometimes you realize a major detail was left out of the November *Quill*: We are meeting at Rich and Candy Mathes's home at 4009 Phinney Ave North. A light dinner will be provided.

Needed for this project: 720 feet of cotton clothes line rope (cut into 6-foot lengths) Call Candy 206-919-7330 or talk to Sallie Wilson for more information.



December 3 Advent Celebration: It felt good to mark the beginning of Advent once again with Crafts and Cookie-making! Thanks to all who made it happen. Cathi Unseth said one day, "We need to have an Advent Celebration!" And so, we did.



Your Women's Committee: Pat Sobeck, Sallie Wilson, Candy Mathes and Barb Bach

THANKSGIVINGS





Thanks, QALCW and friends, for helping us welcome Advent this year in the Fellowship Hall with holiday treats and ornament-painting for the craft-lovers.

Thanks, all, for your volunteer work in supporting our community! Those of you who participated in Community Lunch on Capitol Hill during Tuesdays in November witnessed a strong and thriving network of support. (See photos at right) On November 28, our final Tuesday, we helped prepare over 350 meals. CLCH told Jim Margard they prepared over 550 meals for Thanksgiving.

Thanks also to those who donated Thanksgiving Dinner groceries for seniors on Queen Anne Hill; we were able to supply Queen Anne Helpline with

fixings for 22 meals this year.

A special thanks to Barbara Koziol, who knitted 223 hats this year! At right, Rita Zawaideh of SCM Medical Missions receives the hats with joy; they are to be given to immigrant and refugee families in Spokane and King County.









NUTS AND BOLTS

On Sharing and Receiving Prayer Requests

Do you have a prayer request? Write your request on a blue pew card during worship, and place it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor. You may also contact Pastor Dan or the church office to leave a prayer request. When we receive a prayer request, it is helpful to know if you would like this prayer to be included during Sunday worship in the weeks following, and/or if you would like the request sent out to the church e-mail **Prayer Chain.*** Pastor Dan can reach out to you when he sees your request, and we will not make a request public unless you ask to do so.

Please help us keep prayer requests up to date. We realize some hardships are ongoing, and renewing a request for prayer in such a case is supported. You can renew or discontinue requests by contacting Pastor Dan or the office.

Please obtain permission from the person concerned before publishing his or her name.

*What Is the Prayer Chain? It is simply an e-mail group of members who have asked to receive prayer requests, so that they may each include them in their personal prayers at home, and keep apprised of members who have hardships. If you would like to become part of our Prayer Chain, simply call or email the church office.

Regular, Automatic Giving Is a Good Gift!

Please consider enrolling in QALC's "Simply Giving" EFT program. This provides a simple, hassle-free and secure way for you to make automatic donations to QALC from your checking or savings account. Giving in this way helps the church by ensuring that your offering is received even when you cannot make your donation in person. Giving in this way also helps ensure a steady income for the church over the course of the year. Enrollment forms are available on a clipboard on the railing in the narthex. For further details about the Simply Giving options, please speak with Jacqui Darroch, who administers the program for us, or Sallie Wilson, our Financial Secretary.

OFFICE HOURS NOW 2 -6 PM, T-F

Barb Bash is be in the office from **2 PM to 6 PM Tuesday through Friday.** Barb works from home in the mornings. This schedule will last at least until the end of 2023.

Pastor Dan is available Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Feel free to contact him at pastor@queenannelutheran.org if you wish to make an appointment to see him. If an immediate response is needed, text Pastor Dan at 253.230.9695.

Kyle Haugen will be in the office Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and evening.

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For emergency pastoral needs, text Pastor Dan at 253-230-9695.

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FROM THE BISHOP

From the December 2023 Edition of *The Spirit*



We were in a car heading to the Sahara Desert. The weather was changing. I looked out the window and, seeing a dark mass in the distance, said to the driver, "Do you know what a tornado is?" He didn't respond. But in a few short moments, we skidded to a stop on the side of the road. There was no visibility, wind was swirling around us. Rain and sand and rocks were pelting the car. And then the car windows broke from the pressure of the storm. We were suddenly being blown around and all of us in the car were showered with rain and sand and rocks and glass. We huddled in our seats, shocked by the ferociousness of the weather around us and fearful of what was happening.

When I look at our world right now, I confess I feel much the same as I did on that day—like I'm huddling in my seat, shocked by the ferociousness of the wind and fearful of what is happening.

In our world, the climate continues to change and people and the very earth are suffering. We continue to harm this planet that God created for us and for all creatures and plants.

In our Holy Land, as I write this in November, we hear of Palestinian Christian families fleeing, children crying, hunger and desperation, churches being bombed and hospitals being attacked. In our Holy Land, we hear of violence against the Jewish people, kidnapping of children and old people, and the threat of death.

In our country, there are those who are conflating Christianity with patriotism, those who are moving against Democracy and towards authoritarianism, gun violence continues unabated, legislators refuse to do their work and instead look after their own best interests. There is continued racism in our institutions, polarization. refusal to listen to each other, and more.

In the ELCA, we forget that we are gathering for the sake of Jesus and for those desperate to hear God's Word of forgiveness, love, and grace. We try to prop up institutional ideas rather than living into the Spirit of Christ. We would rather live in the "what once was" rather than the advent of something beyond our imaginations (but not God's).

Truly, the storms seem strong and fierce.

And yet ... and yet ...

In this time, when we not only are living in these swirling squalls, we are called, as people of faith, to remember and trust how God has worked, and continues to work, in this world. We are called to tell the stories of God's faithfulness again. For in the beginning, through God's Word, chaos became the heavens and the earth. Later, Moses saw God in fire. In the story of Job, when Job questioned God's faithfulness, God replied, referring to the stars, 'Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades, or loose the cords of Orion?' When Abraham fought the storm of sacrificing his son, God brought through the darkness a ram. When a country was occupied by Rome, power was held by a few, voices were silenced, and hope seemed fleeting, a young girl became pregnant and sang. A young couple sought shelter far from home.

In a night of storms, one star shone bright. In a world of desolation, a baby's cry was heard.

In this stormy time, in this time of deep shadows and unknowns, in this time of memory and hope, in this Advent and Christmas time, together we lift our voices in and sing:

> O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; cast out our sin and enter in; be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels, the great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

Dear Beloveds of God, I wish you Advent and Christmas blessings and hope.

+ Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee / bishop@lutheransnw.org



Poinsettias for One Another

This year, your donated poinsettias will be given as gifts to elderly, ill, or isolated members of our congregation. Some of the poinsettias will also decorate our altar this season. (Plants left over after Christmas morning may be taken home by donors as desired, first-come, first-served.)

If you would like to contribute one or more plants, please fill out the form below. Detach it and leave it in the offering plate or return it to the church office before Tuesday, December 19. You may also email us your information. Cost per plant is \$12.50. Checks should be made out to QALC and marked "poinsettias." If you are giving the poinsettias in honor or memory of someone, please print that name very clearly. Commemorations will be noted in the church bulletins for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

Number of plants		
In memory of, OR	☐ In honor of:	
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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						9:30am Saturday Morning Seekers (Conf. Rm.) 10:30am Alanon Women (upstairs) 7:00pm Shanty Trudgers (upstairs)
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bible Sunday						
8:00am Worship 9:00am Forum 10:30am Worship 12:00pm Q&A with Pastor Dan	7:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery	7:00pm QALCW Circle (Zoom)	10:00am Sewing & Service (Fireside) 12:00pm MidWeek Advent worship (chapel) 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Fellowship (Conf. Rm) 7:30pm AA Counterbalance (FH)	7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	5:30pm Youth: Gift Wrap Party	10:30am Alanon Women (upstairs) 7:00pm Shanty Trudgers (upstairs)
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8:00am Worship 9:00am Christmas Cards & Fellowship 10:30am Worship 11:30am Executive Committee - rescheduled 2:00pm Extreme Makeover: Gnome Edition 4:00pm Christmas Caroling Outside	5:30pm PDQ Quilting (Fireside) 7:00pm Food Addicts in Recovery	7:00pm Church Council (Zoom)	10:00am Sewing & Service (Fireside) 12:00pm MidWeek Advent worship (chapel) 7:30pm AA Counterbalance (FH)	7:00pm Choir Rehearsal		10:00am Youth: Cookie- Baking! (FH Kitchen) 10:30am Alanon Women (upstairs) 7:00pm Shanty Trudgers (upstairs)
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