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WAYZATA COMMUNITY CHURCH



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- For information about Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle School and High School programs, please register to receive our Family Ministry emails— contact Kathy Handy at khandy@wayzatacommunitychurch.org.
- Register for Advent classes and events at wayzatacommunitychurch.org/adventregistration
- Sign up for our weekly email. Send a request to Mandi Lee, mlee@wayzatacommunitychurch.org
- Check our Instagram: [@wayzatacommunitychurch](https://www.instagram.com/wayzatacommunitychurch)
- Check our Facebook page: [Wayzata Community Church](https://www.facebook.com/WayzataCommunityChurch)
- Visit our website: wayzatacommunitychurch.org

Dear Church,

The long-awaited season of Advent is upon us. We are humbled and joyful to serve, learn, grow, connect and worship with one another. Our prayer for you this Advent and Christmas is that you will find peace, love, hope and joy in the quiet simplicity of the season.

We are a community of people who love Jesus and love each other. Together, we embrace the opportunities to connect in all the ways we can. We recognize that within our beloved community we have different levels of safety needs. So for those needing to stay distanced, we will support you with online Advent devotions, worship services, and fellowship, along with safely distanced events at church.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call the church office.

Peace and love to you!

Rev. David Lee Jones

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ADVENT SUNDAY WORSHIP

We invite you to join us for worship each week at one of our four worship services that are designed to gather us in community to experience God together. Choose one of our four worship styles to ground you in community and encourage you to grow in faith.

Advent 1: November 28 — *Saying “yes” to Hope*

Advent 2: December 5 — *Saying “yes” to Love*

Advent 3: December 12 — *Saying “yes” to Joy*

Advent 4: December 19 — *Saying “yes” to Peace*

- 8:00 a.m. Communion in the Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:15 a.m. Parables Worship in the Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

8:00 a.m. Communion Service: Join us for this worship that includes traditional music, an inspiring message, and communion each week.

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship: Our contemporary worship style includes a variety of music, celebration singers choir, an inspiring message and milestone celebrations of our faith life together. *

10:15 a.m. Parables Worship: Parables is uniquely crafted for people with special needs and their families. Services are designed to welcome everyone just as they are with music, an inspiring message, and connections in community. *

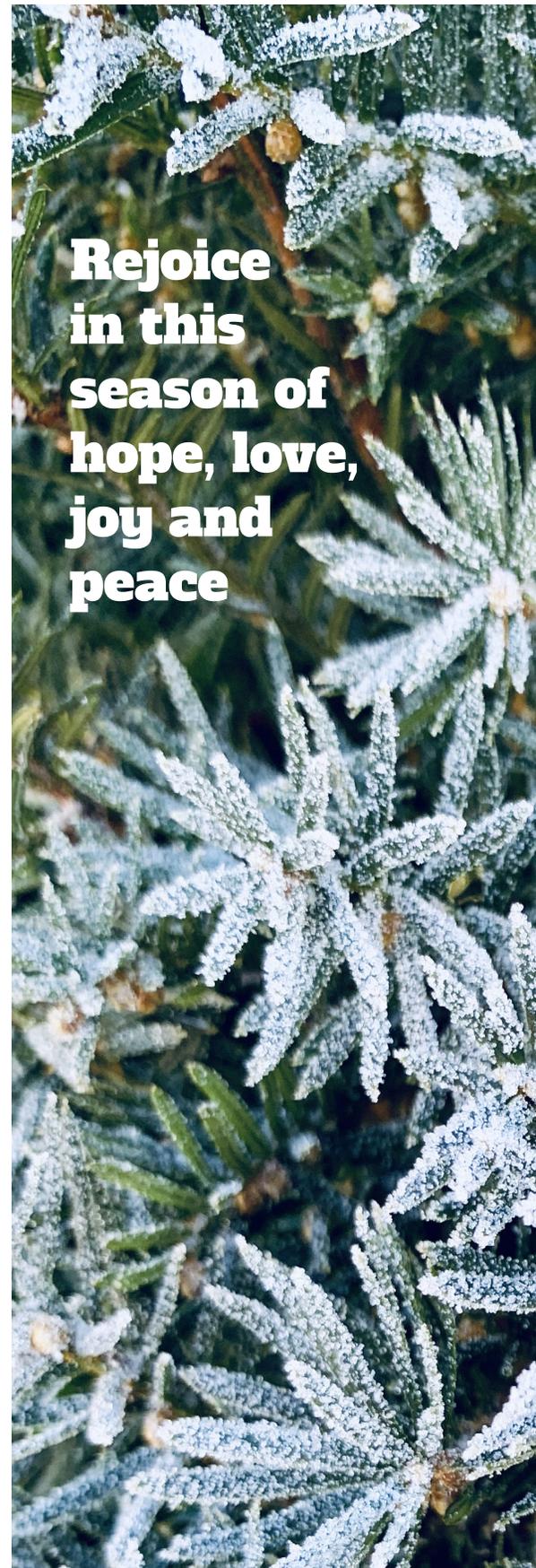
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship: Join us for organ and hymn-based worship that has a liturgical feel and includes an inspiring message each week. *

* Available on our website for livestream and on-demand.

SUNDAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS

For two special Sundays after Christmas, December 26 and January 2, we will have two services each Sunday morning. (See page 9 for details about these Sundays.)

- 8:00 a.m. Communion Service in the Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary



**Rejoice
in this
season of
hope, love,
joy and
peace**



The Christmas Story in Lights **A Drive-Through Experience**

Friday, December 3 - Sunday, December 5, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Friday, December 10 - Sunday, December 12, 5:00-8:00 p.m.
Friday, December 17 - Sunday, December 19, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Christmas Story in Lights is a drive through experience of the Christmas Story at Wayzata Community Church. See the magic of Christmas come to life as you drive through beautifully lit story stations and listen to the Christmas story from the comfort of your own car. This year we have new lights, scenes and narration for you to experience the story in fresh ways. The experience will be open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings for the first three weeks of December. Invite your family and friends to experience “the light of the world” this Christmas through this beautiful version of the Christmas Story.

Volunteers needed!

It takes 15 volunteers to make Christmas Story in Lights happen each night and we need your help. There are two shifts each night we are open; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Volunteering is a great activity for the whole family and a wonderful way to serve this Christmas. Follow this link to sign up for a time to serve:
www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/christmas-story-in-lights/

ADVENT DEVOTIONS ✨

Find light in the darkness and God in all things this Advent with Advent devotions written by the WCC clergy and staff. Devotions will be emailed to you Monday through Saturday throughout Advent. To receive these devotions each day, please register at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/adventregistration.



ADVENT SERMON SERIES

SAYING "YES" TO GOD

Sundays, November 28 & December 5, 12, and 19

With Rev. Danielle Jones and Rev. Tony Jones

Advent marks the dawn of the church year and the beginning of our journey toward the coming of Jesus on Christmas. Each week, we light another candle on the Advent wreath, against the darkness of short days and long nights. We wait, we watch, we pray. Many of us take stock of our lives and make commitments to start the new year. Danielle and Tony will be preaching about saying "Yes!" to God by saying "Yes!" to the themes of the four Advent candles: hope, love, joy, and peace. Each week we will journey together to welcome God into our lives in new ways this Christmas.



ADVENT WORSHIP

LIGHT THE LABYRINTH

DECEMBER 8 AND DECEMBER 15

5:15-6:15 P.M. IN THE LABYRINTH

During the longest nights of the year, flame and candle have held a special significance. It is a time when our hopes and fears collide, and we need some illumination to help us find our way. The Labyrinth is a prayer tool, a walking journey to express those hopes and fears and a place to light a candle in remembrance and expectation. Even a single candle defies the darkness as we remember again that we are preparing for the true light of Jesus coming into the world, and that true light overcomes our darkness. You are invited to come to the Peace Labyrinth in the Bovey Garden courtyard on Wednesdays, December 8th and 15th to walk the walk and to light a light. Rev. Lindy Purdy will be in Founders Hall to help you on your journey. Candles and walking prayers will be provided.

THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE (BLUE CHRISTMAS)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

12:00 NOON AND 6:00 P.M. IN THE CHAPEL

Advent season is a time of preparation, and as Christians, we need to be reminded that we should be less consumed with preparing for the decorations and gifts of "Christmas" and more concerned about preparing for Jesus, the Christ Child, who is the true gift of Christmas.

We recognize that each of us comes with a whole spectrum of emotions and we acknowledge that it has been a difficult few years for many. It is our hope to meet you right where you are, just as you are. We invite you to come to the Longest Night service, to rest into the music and message, and let that peace that surpasses our human understanding seep into your souls, renewing your spirit and reminding you of the hope that comes to us through Jesus. That hope that sustains us in times of loss and longing and in and through the times of the busy-ness of life and living. There will be several messages of hope and healing from members of our congregation. There will also be a time of candle-lighting and personal prayer to honor anyone who is on your heart and mind, including yourself.





CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP *December 24*

Join us at one of our six Christmas Eve Worship Services to celebrate the coming of Christ as "Light of the World." All services in the Sanctuary will have an overflow option in the Wakefield Chapel. Sanctuary doors will open 30 minutes before each service, and once the Sanctuary is full guests will be ushered into the Chapel to watch the service on a live stream video feed.

Complementary Valet Parking will be available. We invite you to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas at Wayzata Community Church.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES LIVESTREAM

Our 10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. services will be livestreamed on our website.

BUILD YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS NATIVITY

10:00-11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Help us create a live nativity on Christmas Eve! Before the service, in Founders Hall, kids choose from one of our many costumes (kings, shepherds, angels, barn animals, and more!). Then, proceed into the Sanctuary and sit with your family, and we'll call you forward to help us tell the story of Jesus' birth! Join in the carol singing and festivities of this one of a kind Christmas Eve service. This is a perfect, festive service for families with young children.

LESSONS AND CAROLS TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

11:00 a.m. in the Chapel

Join us for a traditional worship service of Lessons and Carols in Wakefield Chapel. This worship service of scripture and song features organ music, soloists, and a Christmas Message from Rev. Lindy Purdy.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP*

**1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
(Special Needs-friendly service)**

This Christmas worship experience will feature music from our children's choirs, and readings from members of our Parables community. All are welcome to this contemporary worship experience. * *Childcare available for ages Birth-PreK.*

CANDLELIGHT FAMILY CHRISTMAS *

**3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

This wonderful Christmas worship service for all ages includes music led by our contemporary music team, Christmas scripture readings and congregational singing, and a special Christmas message from Rev. Danielle Jones.

* *Childcare available for ages Birth-PreK.*

LESSONS AND CAROLS TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Join us for a traditional service of Lessons and Carols featuring festive music from the Chancel Choir, accompanied by brass, scripture and song, and a Christmas message from Rev. Danielle Jones.



SUNDAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER 26 AND JANUARY 2

Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

For two special Sundays after Christmas, December 26 and January 2, we will have two services each Sunday morning. These special services will round out your Christmas celebrations and help us welcome the new year together in community.

BOXING DAY SERVICE

Sunday, December 26

**8:00 a.m. Communion Service in the Chapel
and 10:00 a.m. Christmas Service in Sanctuary**

This year, Christmas Day falls on a Saturday. There will be multiple services on Friday, Christmas Eve and the church will host over 1000 guests on that day. We hope you will be one of them! We encourage you to have a family day on Christmas Day, and return to join us on December 26 for Boxing Day.

Boxing Day is traditionally celebrated as a day to give to the less fortunate on the day after we have received in abundance. The service will include an original Christmas Story read by Rev. Lindy Purdy, along with favorite Christmas Carols and readings, and it will be casual and family-oriented, PJ's are acceptable attire!

As part of this special service, High School students will be working with Arrive Ministries to support their mission to welcome refugee and immigrant neighbors. In the past, Arrive Ministries averaged 50 families who they resettled in the community. This

year they expect to resettle 450 families. High School students will be collecting items and funds needed to help families set up a new household. Watch for details in the Insight email and Inspire weekly about how you can be part of our Boxing Day gift project. All gifts will be distributed for refugee resettlement through Arrive Ministries. For more information, contact Molly Schroeder at mschroeder@wayzata-communitychurch.org.

ONE WORD SUNDAY

January 2, 2022

8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Transform. Hope. Fearless. Sometimes One Word says it all. Join us for a special morning of focusing in on setting our intentions with God for the new year. This special service will give you space to listen to God and to consider what one word you want to carry into the New Year as a sort of compass to help you receive God's love and share it with others. This WCC tradition starts our year with focus and joy. Join us!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH (AND CHRISTMAS!) *

**Wednesdays, December 1, 8 and 15
4:30 and 6:30 p.m. in the Colonnade
Led by Rev. Tony Jones**

After Jesus' death and resurrection, the church consisted of a few dozen followers huddled in Jerusalem, trying to figure out what to do next. Now, two millennia later, Christianity is the largest religion in the world, with nearly three billion adherents, and, by some estimates, 40,000 denominations. How did we get from there to here? Join interim teaching minister Tony Jones for a three-week journey through the history of the church, learning about some of the most fascinating twists and turns along the way, with an emphasis on the Congregationalist tradition of which WCC is a part. And, as an Advent bonus, we will look at the various ways that Christmas has been celebrated through the ages. Register at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/adventregistration.

FAITH BIBLE STUDY

**Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. in the Colonnade
Led by Rev. Lindy Purdy**

For the three Thursdays in December, Faith Bible Study will explore the Christmas Story, as told in the Gospels. On December 2 we will discuss Gospel of Matthew; December 9, the Gospel of Luke, and on December 16, Gospel of John. Faith Bible Study is about bringing ourselves to the text, so the text can speak to us. All are welcome!

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HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

WELCOME

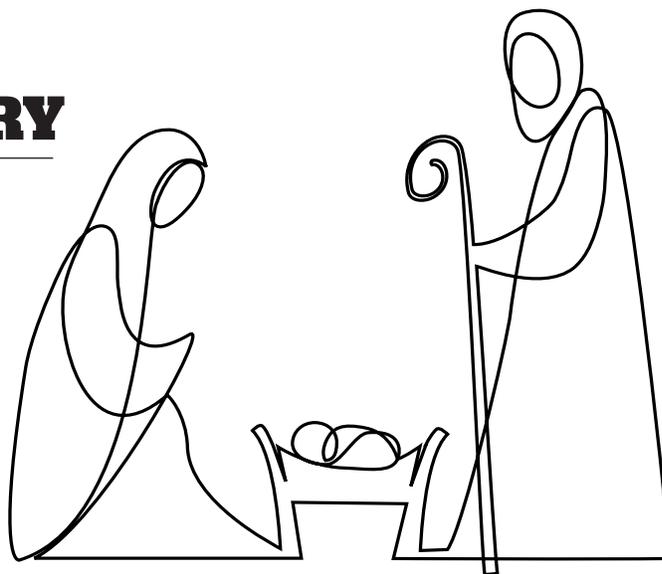


Traditionally, Advent is the time we prepare to celebrate Jesus' first coming as a baby in Bethlehem, and the tremendous hope that brings. I often find myself getting so wrapped up in the details of trying to make everything perfect, and bring joy to others, that I exhaust myself. And, it doesn't help to have two of my children's birthdays fall between Thanksgiving and Christmas. This hectic pace leaves little time to reflect not only on the tremendous gift given to us through Jesus, but how that gift literally changed the world and what that means for myself and my family.

My hope for you in these busy days before Christmas is that you can take some time to let the season of Advent bring some light, hope, freedom (to let go of things that drain you), peace, and meaning to you and your family.

This catalog is full of opportunities that will fill your heart and soul, and bring another layer of depth to the season, I hope your plans include some of them.

Blessings to you and your family,
Molly Schroeder



HIGH SCHOOL ADVENT EVENTS



Refugee Resettlement Mission Project

New this year is partnering with Arrive Ministries to support their mission to welcome refugee and immigrant neighbors. In the past, Arrive Ministries averaged resettling 50 families in the community. This year they expect to resettle 450 families. High School students will

be collecting items and funds needed to help families set up a new household. This project is in partnership with the broader church and a part of the Boxing Day Service held on December 26th. Watch for more details to hit your inbox as the final details are confirmed.

High School Sundays in the LOFT

9:00-10:00 a.m.

Food, Friends, games (with some friendly competition for a monthly prize), and a sprinkle of Jesus!

4th Sunday Worship Together

at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Wednesdays

6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the LOFT

High School on Wednesday is focused on experiences of faith. Join us beginning at 6:15 p.m. for Pizza (\$1 a slice) and hanging out with friends in the LOFT (3rd floor)! Our amazing student-led band starts the evening at 6:45 p.m., followed by messages, snacks, and small group discussions led by dedicated adult leaders. All High School students are welcome and encouraged to stick around until 8:30 p.m. for continued conversation, pick-up games, or just hanging out!

Christmas PrimeTime Wednesday

December 15, 6:45-8:00 p.m. in The Loft

Get into the Christmas spirit with the sweet sounds of Christmas PrimeTime! Don't forget to wear your favorite holiday sweater!

Build Your Own Nativity Worship Leader

Friday, December 24, 10:00 a.m. in worship

Help bring Christmas to life for the children of our church by serving as puppeteers and leaders for the Build Your Own Nativity Christmas worship service. Look for info to come about how to sign up!



MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Middle School Sundays in the Corner

9:00-10:00 a.m.

Join us in The Corner for hot chocolate, breakfast treats, games and discussion about Jesus. We are calling our Sunday morning theme “a year with Jesus” as we navigate the gospels and explore His earthly ministry. We want to look beyond the pages and understand the heart of who Jesus was to those around Him and how we can learn to love as He loves!

Wednesdays After School Hang Out

4:00- 5:15 p.m.

Come hang out in The Corner with us after school. We will have snacks, games, and quiet areas for homework until our community meal and our Wednesday night program. Even if you can't stay for the whole night, you are always welcome to hang out after school. Please enter in the West entrance and bring \$5 if you are staying for community meal!

Wednesday Youth Group

6:30 – 7:45 p.m.

Our Wednesday night programming starts in The Corner with some fun energetic and engaging activities, such as: games, videos, music, competitions. Then we transition into a time of mature engagement about Faith. We also spend time in small groups to go deeper in relationships and discussion with our peers. We also do fun events and outings through the year, so make sure you register and are receiving the newsletter! All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you each week!

WELCOME



As we talk about middle school as a pivotal intersection of life for our students, we need to start setting the tone for our students and their faith in regards to the Church calendar. While most American families come into the holiday season as the end of our calendar year, the Advent season is really the beginning of our church year and a great time to refocus our faith!

We pursued a theme of Joy tied to thankfulness through the month of November on Wednesday nights. We hope that thankfulness and joy can help launch us into a new mindset as we begin Advent. On Sunday mornings we have been jumping around the gospels observing the life of Jesus as we sip hot chocolate. We will of course be looking at the stories of Jesus' birth in December, then jumping ahead to His earthly ministry in the month of January!

While the approach to Wednesday and Sundays will be different, the intended results will be the same as our high school ministry: Educating without assumption, encouraging questions, and seeking understanding together in a community as we all benefit from the richness of different perspectives, experiences, and diverse questions.

If you do not already receive the FMT weekly newsletter, please email Kathy at khandy@wayzatacommunitychurch.org to be added to the list (make sure you check your spam folder, too). Follow the Middle School on social media or contact me directly at solan@wayzatacommunitychurch.org

Steven Olan
Director of Middle School Ministry

MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVENT EVENTS

Advent Workshop Helper Elf

Sunday December 5, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Take the time to volunteer this Advent season at the annual Advent workshop! Even in the busyness of the holidays there is no better way to love like Jesus than being generous with your time! The Advent workshop is an opportunity for children and adults to create crafts and ornaments celebrating the Christmas season. Middle schoolers can help by running crafts stations. Look for a place to register in upcoming weekly Family Ministry newsletters.



SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

WELCOME



"At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern."

—Mother Teresa

As we start to fill our calendars, plan menus, and create shopping lists, may we be reminded that this season, Advent season, is a time to prepare and celebrate the life of Jesus. Let us be mindful and intentional in sharing the hope, love, joy and peace found in Christ. Will He find a warm heart?

Advent Blessings,
Michele Ramert



ADVENT WORKSHOP

Sunday, December 5

1:00-4:00 p.m. in the Graceland Gym

All kids and adults (preschool through adult) are invited to attend our annual Advent craft extravaganza! Join us for an afternoon of faith based ornament and gift making as we prepare for the Christmas season. Make and take over 28 different one-of-a-kind items!! Sponsored and run by the Early Childhood and Children's Ministry Boards, all are welcome! Cost: \$10 per crafter.

FRIENDSHIP/RESPIRE GROUP *

Saturday, December 11

10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m., Gym

Cost: \$20 for supplies and lunch

ALL AGES are invited to come to church and hang-out! Spend your Saturday morning with friends playing games, creating sand art, listening to music, watching a movie and having lunch. There are small groups, large groups and individual activities. We have something for everyone. \$20 covers all supplies and lunch.

PARABLES FAMILY HOLIDAY PARTY

Sunday, December 19, 11:30 a.m. in Mithun Hall

Following the Parables service we will make our way down to Mithun Hall for our Annual Christmas Celebration. The day will be filled with cookie decorating, crafts, music and a light lunch. Ho, Ho, Ho... guess who will be making a special appearance? Join us for this joyful and magical day.

PARABLES SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY PARENTS & AMBASSADORS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 4

6:00-9:00 p.m. at the Toussaint Home

4965 Suburban Drive, Excelsior, MN

A time for all Special Needs Ministry Parents and our Amazing Ambassadors (Volunteers & Champions who help the WCC Special Needs Ministry in so many ways even though they may not have a family member with special needs) to gather and simply enjoy the friendship and fellowship that is Parables. Think of it as "Adult's Night Out." Let's celebrate this miraculous season together. Please bring either an appetizer or dessert to share. We'll have a few drinks on hand, but if you'd like to add to the bar, feel free to BYOB.

AWE ADULT BIBLE STUDY *

Wednesday, December 1 & 15th

6:45-8:00 p.m. in the Holmes Room

Emily Laudal will continue the Adult Bible Study series, looking at Spiritual Gifts. The evening starts with time to check in and catch up from 6:45-7:00 p.m. and then from 7:00-8:00 p.m. we dive into the curriculum. Newcomers are always welcome. We are now meeting in the Holmes Room!

ELEMENTARY MINISTRY

Advent Workshop

**Sunday December 5
1:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the Graceland Gym
and Labs**

Cost for supplies: \$10 per crafter
All kids and adults (preschool through adult) are invited to attend our annual Advent craft extravaganza! Join us for an afternoon of faith based ornament and gift making as we prepare for the Christmas season. Make and take over 28 different one of a kind items!! Sponsored and run by the Early Childhood and Children's Ministry Boards, along with Middle School helper elves!

Graceland Sunday School (K-5th grade)

9:00 a.m. in the Gym and Labs

Each week kids (kindergarten through 5th grade) are invited to join us in the Gym. Come early for some free play. At 9 a.m. we begin with worship which includes music, games, celebrations, mission and a Bible story. Kids will follow up this time in classrooms (by grade level) with a hands-on activity and discussion where they'll make the Bible story come alive. Parents pick kids up in grade level classrooms each week.

Wednesday Open Gym Time

Wednesdays, 5:00-6:15 p.m. in the Gym

Each week, join us in the gym before our Wednesday Faith and Fun to burn off a little energy! A high school gym monitor will be in attendance to keep kids safe and to play and set up games.

Wednesday Faith and Fun!

6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Gym and Labs

Join Jodie and the small group leaders each Wednesday evening as we dive into faith together! We'll begin in the Gym with high energy music and worship, followed by games, celebrations and a Bible story. Afterward, kids will head to their classrooms with small group leaders to follow up the message with hands-on, engaging activities. Class ends at 7:30 p.m., but kids are invited to stay and play in open Gym until 8:00 p.m.

WELCOME



The Advent Season is here! It seems to sneak up on me every year and a feeling of panic happens when I realize how many things I need to get done. From the gifts to the parties to the baking, there never seems to be enough time for it all. Many years ago I came across a Christmas Pledge which I try to remember to share with WCC families. It helps me to be more intentional with my actions and choices during the holiday season. We have many opportunities for your family throughout Advent. My hope is that you will take the time to slow down and intentionally choose ways to bring the true meaning of Christmas into the season.

The Christmas Pledge

Believing in the beauty and simplicity of Christmas, I commit myself to the following:

- 1. To remember those people who truly need my gifts**
- 2. To express my love for family and friends in more direct ways than presents**
- 3. To rededicate myself to the spiritual growth of my family**
- 4. To examine my holiday activities in light of the true spirit of Christmas**
- 5. To initiate one act of peacemaking within my circle of family and friends**

Blessings and love,
Jodie Nyberg



CHRISTMAS KIDS NIGHT OUT

Friday, December 17

5:30-9:30 p.m. in the Great Hall

Calling all kids ages 3 through 5th grade! Join us for an evening of food, faith and fun at Kids Night Out! We'll play some fun Christmas games, create some cool creative ornaments, sing Christmas carols and watch a Christmas movie in our big screen movie room! Cost is \$15 per person. Register at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/adventregistration



**WCCNS
Holiday
Open House
with Santa**
Saturday,
December 4
8:30-11:30 a.m.
Outdoors by the
Front Portico

Join us for an outdoor open house to celebrate the season! You can take your photo with Santa, hop on a hay ride, sip hot chocolate and enjoy donuts by the fire pit, create something fun at the crafts station, and participate in a bake sale and raffle to raise funds for WCCNS! Cost is \$15 per child (ages 2 and up). Adults, children over age 10 and under age 2 are free.

EARLY CHILDHOOD MINISTRY

LITTLEST ANGELS SUNDAY SCHOOL

For ages Birth-PreK

9:00-10:00 a.m.

Every week at 9:00 a.m. our youngest children have their own space to grow in faith and friendships. A mix of volunteers and staff will bring the programs to life with hands-on activities, music, movement, a message and free play. Parent volunteers are encouraged!

LITTLEST ANGELS SUNDAY CHILD CARE

For ages Birth-PreK

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Our staff will provide a kid-friendly environment for all little ones in this second hour of Sunday morning programming.

LITTLEST ANGELS WEDNESDAYS

Cherub Choir (Ages 3-PreK)

**Wednesday Rehearsals beginning September 15
5:00-5:30 p.m., Community Room**

Cherub Choir (Preschool) emphasizes early musical experiences through play and movement in a more relaxed environment. Come and sing songs of joy! Rehearsals are held Wednesdays from 5:00-5:30 p.m. in the Community Room, led by Jodie Nyberg. *Children entering Kindergarten may choose this less structured choir experience, or they may choose Hosanna Choir.



Advent Workshop

Sunday December 5

**1:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the Graceland Gym
and Labs**

Cost for supplies: \$10 per crafter

All kids and adults (preschool through adult) are invited to attend our annual Advent craft extravaganza! Join us for an afternoon of faith based ornament and gift making as we prepare for the Christmas season. Make and take over 28 different one of a kind items!! Sponsored and run by the Early Childhood and Children's Ministry Boards, along with Middle School helper elves!

OPEN GYM FOR TINY TOTS

5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Community Room

Stay and play after Cherub Choir each week in our kid-friendly Community Room. We'll ride trikes, climb on jungle gyms, and enjoy the friendship of our WCC church friends. Parent supervision is required.



A VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS TEA 2021 ✨
Thursday, December 2 at 6:45 p.m.
 Register at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/virtual-christmas-tea/
 After you have registered, look for a live stream link in your confirmation email.
 If you don't have access to the registration form, please call Jan at 952-250-9801.

You're invited to enjoy a magical evening of storytelling and music on Thursday, December 2nd at 6:45 p.m. Our Virtual Christmas Tea is the perfect way to begin your journey through the season of Advent. Rev. Lindy Purdy will share her newest Christmas story and you'll hear music that captures the Christmas spirit. Participants will receive a special gift bag filled with tea and treasures to enjoy throughout the evening and beyond. Gift bag pick up will be on Mondays, November 22nd and 29th from 2:00-5:00 p.m., under the WCC portico. Please let us know your pick-up date preference in the registration form. Freewill donations will be accepted at pick-up.

This year you might consider inviting a group of friends to share the experience at your home. It's also fun to forward the program link to your out-of-town friends and family and watch together virtually. Or you might curl up on the sofa at home, wrapped in a cozy blanket, and savor the Christmas Tea on your own. Whether you're with a group or by yourself, the Christmas Tea will warm your heart and nourish your spirit.



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH SOUP, SALAD AND SONG!
Wednesday, December 8
12 noon in Mithun Hall
 The mighty WCC Soup Team will provide variety of soups and salads for our Christmas luncheon. Bring an item to share, or just come for the fun, and sing along with beloved Christmas carols!

If you want to join our Soup Team Hosts and Hostesses, your presence will be gratefully accepted. Questions? Contact Lindy at lindypurdy@gmail.com, 952-451-9051.



SERVE



GIVE MISSION FOR CHRISTMAS! Support Wildflyer Coffee and give a gift that makes a difference!

Looking for that perfect gift for someone special? Why not give mission for Christmas? This year's mission is Dough Recipient, Wildflyer Coffee. The mission of Wildflyer Coffee is to end youth homelessness by addressing the most significant barrier to stable housing – consistent employment. With consistent employment and income, and strong support from Wildflyer staff, youth are able to leave homelessness.

This Christmas, you can give a gift of \$50 to support an employee in the Wildflyer program. Your \$50 gift helps to offset the cost of hands-on job training and life skills classes for youth aged 16-24 experiencing homelessness. As a thank you for your gift you will receive:

- A Wildflyer mug and a package of Wildflyer Coffee
- A gift card that explains the impact of your gift to the recipient
- All beautifully wrapped in a ready to give package.

Visit our website to place your order:
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Orders will be available for pick up at Wayzata Community Church. Once you place your order you will receive a confirmation email and a notification when your gift is ready for pick up at WCC. Orders can be placed through December 15th.

Thimble Bees

9:00 a.m.

in Mithun Hall

Winter dates: December 14,
January 11 & 25, February 8 & 22

Thimble Bees is celebrating its 22nd year of community outreach this year! Whether you are experienced at sewing, knitting, or crocheting or could help cut fabric, stuff toys, or tie quilts, etc., Thimble Bees has a place for you. Enjoy the fellowship of women who work to provide prayer shawls, baby layettes, warm hats and scarves, lap robes, chemo hats, and many more items for people in need. Thimble Bees meets from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Mithun Hall, September through May. Contact: Kathy Smith, ksmith3600@aol.com.



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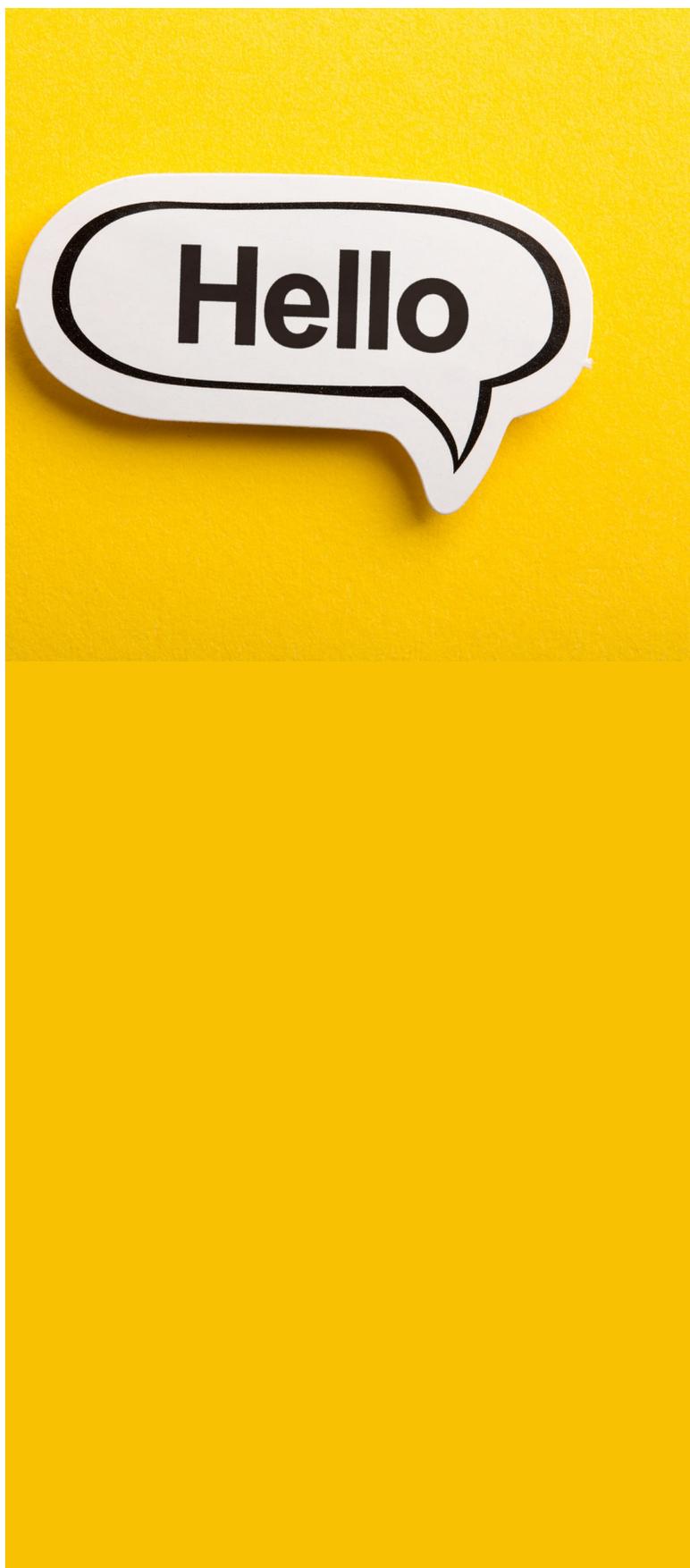
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