

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2023 Offering Envelope Update

The vendor that supplies our offering envelopes has advised that machinery breakdowns, repair parts shortages and a lack of available seasonal workers, have created a severe backlog of envelope orders waiting to be printed and shipped. They estimate that we might not receive our order until late February.

We realize that for many of us these offering envelopes are an important part of our worship. Here are some suggestions that will help us get by while we await the arrival of the 2023 envelopes:

- Use the blank envelopes that are now available in the pocket on the back of each pew.
- Pickup a bundle of blank envelopes on the table in the Narthex for future use.
- Repurpose any offering envelopes you may have left over from last year at home.
- Consider making online donations using the link on our website: www.cktwbl.org.

When using replacement envelopes, please be sure to enter your name, date, donation amount, check number and special gift information on the outside of the envelope. If you know your member number, add that to the envelope as well. Adding these details reduces the burden for the counting team members and allows us to properly record your donation in our member data base. This ensures that your statement of giving, which is used for tax return preparation, is accurate.

Contact our Office Manager Linda Stasieluk at office@cktwbl.org to find your member number or for more information. Thank you for your patience.

Joe Moore Mike Nollan
Financial Secretary Treasurer

2022 Tax Deductible Donations

As 2022 comes to an end please note the following deadlines for making 2022 tax deductible donations at the end of the year. To be included in your 2022 statement of giving, donations made by cash or check must be deposited in the offering, or delivered to the church office by December 31st. If mailed, they must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2022. Online donations will be considered delivered on the date paid that is shown on the financial institution's statement. Donations received on January 1st or later will be reported as 2023 donations, unless postmarked in 2022. Back dated checks cannot be included on your 2022 statement if received after December 31st. Remember, that you should not file your tax return before you receive your 2022 contribution summary from the church.

For pastoral care or other needs please contact the Pastor or the church office at 651-429-4828.

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January 1, 2023
The First Sunday of Christmas

Pastor Sarah Henrich

Organist Betsy Murray

LAM Lee Wood

Communion Servers Karen Eian, Michele Murray

Ushers Ann Jonell, Peggy Keohen

AV Jason Clapper, Janelle VanSloun

Altar Guild Ann Jonell

Hospitality Sally, Johnetta & Polly

*Please stand as you are able.

GATHERING “The Coventry Carol,” *arr. by B. Murray* Betsy Murray

GATHERING SONG “Oh Come All Ye Faithful,” *ELW #283 vs. 1-4*

DIALOGUE

Leader: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

All: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Leader: Those who dwelt in the land of deep darkness, on them light has shined.

All: We have beheld Christ’s glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

Leader: To us a child is born, to us a Son is given.

All: In the Word was life, and the life was the light of all people.

*OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, you have filled us with the new light of the Word who became flesh and lives among us. Let the light of our faith shine in all we do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

LESSONS & CAROLS

Isaiah 9:2-7 **God Promises a King** **Pew Bible p. 555**
HYMN “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming,” *ELW #272, vs 1 & 4*

Micah 5:2-5a **The King Will Come From Bethlehem** **Pew Bible p. 756**
HYMN “O Little Town of Bethlehem,” *ELW #279, vs, 1 & 4*

Luke 1:26-35, 38 **The Annunciation to Mary** **Pew Bible p. 831**
HYMN “My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness,” *ELW #251, vs 1 & 3*

Luke 2:1-7
HYMN

The Birth of Jesus
“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly,” ELW #276

Pew Bible p. 832

Luke 2:8-16
HYMN

The Shepherds go to see the Savior
“Angels, From the Realms of Glory,” ELW #2795 vs, 1-4

Pew Bible p. 833

Matthew 2:1-11
HYMN

The Magi Follow the Star
“The First Noel,” ELW #300, vs 1, 3-5

Pew Bible p. 783

John 1:1-14
HYMN

The Mystery of the Incarnation
He Came Down,” ELW #253, vs, 1-4

Pew Bible p. 862

OFFERING

“O Sleep, Dear Holy Baby,” by C. Cooman

Betsy Murray

OFFERTORY

“Lord of All Good,” words by Beth Beebe Tradup
(sung to the tune of Joy to the World)

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring. Your purpose to fulfill.
Gifts of love and pledges, they shall ever be.
Our lives in you fulfilled, our lives in you fulfilled,
Our lives, our lives, in you fulfilled.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Leader: Glory to God in the highest,
All: and peace to God’s people on earth.

Leader: Blessed are you, Prince of peace. You rule the earth with truth and justice.
All: Send your gift of peace to all nations of the world.

Leader: Blessed are you, Son of Mary. You share our humanity.
All: Have mercy on the sick, the dying and all who suffer this day.

Leader: Blessed are you, Son of God. You dwell among us as the Word made flesh.
All: Reveal yourself to us in word and sacrament that we may bear your light in the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

DISTRIBUTION

“Lamb of God,” ELW p. 191, setting 8
“Angels We Have Heard on High,” ELW 289
“Away in a Manger,” ELW 277

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All: God our redeemer, you have fed us at the table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

SENDING

Leader: May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
All: Amen.

SENDING SONG

“Hark! the Herald Angels Sing,” ELW #270, vs. 1-3

SENDING MUSIC

“Gesu Bambino,” by J. Fischer & Bro. Betsy Murray

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