



SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

JANUARY 4, 2026

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Sunday, January 4, 2026 • Second Sunday of Christmas

Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.

This worship service is being recorded and will be available on Facebook, YouTube, and the church website.

When indicated, please stand as you are able.

The assembly reads the **bold print**.

GATHERING

INVOCATION

En el nombre de Dios, Creador, Redentor y Sabiduría Santa. Amén.

In the name of God, Creator, ☩ Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom.

Amen.

CONFESSİON AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God's steadfast love and faithfulness, let us confess our sin.

Reconciling God,

we yearn for your presence to transform our grief, pain, and despair. We confess that we have not always prepared room in our hearts for your love; we have not always recognized your presence among us; we have not always embraced your message of peace.

We cry out, weary with the burden of violence, oppression, and fear. We confess our failure to make room for those seeking refuge; our participation in violent systems that harm your innocent ones; our reluctance to embody your good news.

Be born in us today and teach us to sing the joyful song of your salvation. Amen.

God's grace upon grace flows over you. ☩ Christ's presence redeems the whole creation. Your sins are forgiven. Let the earth rejoice and be glad!

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Charles Wesley wrote this text less than one year after his conversion experience. The hymn is a condensed course in biblical doctrine in 10 stanzas, using a variety of terms for the newborn Christ. Wesley published it in his 1739 hymnal, and many consider it his finest hymn. Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy composed the tune MENDELSSOHN in 1840, but it was not set to Wesley's Christmas words until 15 years later.

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the
 2. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored, Christ, the e - ver -
 3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
 last - ing Lord, Late in time be - hold him come,
 Right - eous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,

God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all you
 off - spring of the vir - gin's womb: Veiled in flesh the
 ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

na - tions, rise, join the tri - umph of the skies;
 God - head see! Hail, in - car - nate De - i - ty!
 glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,

With an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
 Pleased with us in flesh to dwell, Je - sus, our Em-man - u - el.
 born to raise each child of earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born King."

APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory Be to God on High

1. Glory be to God on high, to all people, peace on earth.
2. Jesus Christ we now declare Lamb of God and Lord of Love.
3. Praises to the Holy One, praises sing in highest heaven;
An- gels, shep-herds draw-ing nigh, join to cel-e-brate his birth.
Grant us mer-cy, hear our prayer, give us grace from heaven a-bove.
to the Fa-ther and the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it given.
Glo- ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o, Glo- ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o.
Glo- ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

The assembly is seated.

Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

READING

JEREMIAH 31:7-14

God promises to bring Israel back to its land from the most remote parts of exile.

In Zion Israel will rejoice over God's gift of food and livestock. Young women will express their joy in dancing;

God will give gladness instead of sorrow.

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah, the thirty-first chapter.

For thus says the Lord:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back; I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path where they shall not stumble, for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Hear the word of the Lord, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him and will keep him as a shepherd does a flock." For the Lord has ransomed Jacob and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the Lord, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the Lord.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 147:12-20

A reading from Psalm 147.

Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion, who has strengthened the bars of your gates and has blessed your children within you.

God has established peace on your borders and satisfies you with the finest wheat.

God sends out a command to the earth, a word that runs very swiftly.

God gives snow like wool, scattering frost like ashes.

God scatters hail like bread crumbs. Who can stand against God's cold?

The Lord sends forth the word and melts them; the wind blows, and the waters flow.

God declares the word to Jacob, statutes and judgments to Israel.

The Lord has not done so to any other nation; they do not know God's judgments. Hallelujah!

READING

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

In Jesus, all of God's plans and purposes have been made known as heaven and earth are united in Christ. Through Jesus, we have been chosen as God's children and have been promised eternal salvation.

A reading from the letter to the Ephesians, the first chapter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PASTOR DOROTHY

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.

Refrain
Cantor:

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: All:

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: All:

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

CANTOR Glory to Christ who is proclaimed to the world; glory from all, from all who believe in him!

ALL *Refrain*

HOLY GOSPEL

JOHN 1:1-18

John begins his gospel with this prologue: a hymn to the Word through whom all things were created. This Word became flesh and brought grace and truth to the world.

El Santo Evangelio según Juan, capítulo uno.

The Holy Gospel according to John, the first chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord. (¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

He was in the world, and the world came into being through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is the only Son, himself God, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

El Evangelio del Salvador.

The Gospel of the Savior.

Praise to you, O Christ. (¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!)

The assembly is seated.

The assembly stands.

Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413) wrote this Latin text as part of his sacred ode Cathemerinon, which provided a reflection on Christ's life for every hour of the day. The work consisted of 12 poems varying in length from 80 to 220 lines. This hymn is taken from the ninth poem. Prudentius was born into a distinguished Spanish family in 348 C.E. After serving as a judge for most of his life, he joined a monastery at age 57 and began writing religious verse, from which many Christian hymns have been derived. This ancient plainsong tune dates from as early as the tenth century. It was first found in print in Petri's Piae Cantiones (1582), where it was paired with the Latin text DIVINUM MYSTERIUM.

Of the Father's Love Begotten

1. Of the Fa - ther's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be -
 2. O that birth for - ev - er bless - ed, when the vir - gin,
 3. This is he whom seers in old time chant-ed of with
 4. Let the heights of heaven a - dore him; an - gel hosts, his
 5. Christ, to thee, with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly

gan to be, he is Al - pha and O - me - ga,
 full of grace, by the Ho - ly Ghost con - ceiv - ing,
 one ac - cord, whom the voic - es of the proph - ets
 prais - es sing; powers, do - min - ions, bow be - fore him
 Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanks - giv - ing

he the source, the end - ing he, of the things that are, that
 bore the Sav - ior of our race, and the babe, the world's re -
 prom-ised in their faith - ful word; now he shines, the long - ex -
 and ex - tol our God and King; let no tongue on earth be
 and un - wea - ried prais - es be: hon - or, glo - ry, and do -

have been, and that fu - ture years shall see,
 deem - er, first re - vealed his sa - cred face,
 pect - ed; let cre - a - tion praise its Lord
 si - lent, ev - ery voice in con - cert ring
 min - ion, and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry

ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ev - er - more and ev - er - more.
 ev - er - more and ev - er - more!

A - men.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The lay assistant offers the prayers.

A brief silence.

Empowered by the news of Christ's birth, let us pray boldly for the church, creation, and all who are in need.

O God, you reveal yourself wherever two or three are gathered in your name. Be with us now, not only in the infant Jesus and resurrected Christ, but in the beloved people of this assembly. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You reveal yourself in the waters of the womb; in brooks, ponds, and oceans; and in the waters of baptism. Grant us wisdom to tenderly care for the earth as a garden watered by your grace. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You reveal yourself in blessed diversity. Help us to look for you in people near and far, in bodies of all kinds, and in kindred young and old. Let us seek you in many places, praising you in many tongues. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You reveal yourself in new life. Support those beginning a new job, a new relationship, or a new living situation, especially those displaced because of tragedy or loss. Be with all others who need your life-giving touch this day, especially Betty, Nick, Myrna, Travis, Gaynelle, Jonathan, Kole, Del, Jean, Sandy, Don, and Nancy. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You reveal yourself in holy communion. Sustain all who provide food and fellowship in this congregation and in the wider community. Make our tables signs of your welcoming presence among us. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For what else do the people of God pray?

You promise to turn mourning into joy and to comfort those who weep. We remember those who have died and look to being united with them in your glory. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With the joy of Christ's birth in our hearts, we commend our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your boundless mercy and eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

PASSING THE PEACE

La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you. (Y también contigo.)

The assembly is seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

PREPARE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND OUR TABLES

OFFERTORY HYMN

ELW 296

The assembly stands.

William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898) wrote a longer Christmas poem, "The Manger Throne," from which this hymn is derived. It appeared in this form with the tune *GREENSLEEVES* in Christmas Carols New and Old (1871).

The old English tune has been traced to 1580. William Shakespeare mentioned the tune *GREENSLEEVE*S in his play *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. There Shakespeare joked that it could not be used as a tune for singing *Psalm 100*. However, from its earliest reference in history, it has been used with both sacred and secular words.

What Child Is This

1. What Child is this, who, laid to rest, on
2. Why lies he in such mean estate, where
3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, come
Mar-y's lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with
ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for
peas-ant, king, to own him; The King of kings sal-
an-thems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?
sin-ners here the silent Word is pleading.
va-tion brings, let loving hearts enthroned him.
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:
Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you;
Raise, raise the song on high, the mother sings her lul-la-by;
Haste, haste to bring him laud, the Babe, the son of Mar-y.
Hail, hail the Word made flesh, the Babe, the son of Mar-y.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born, the Babe, the son of Mar-y.

OFFERING PRAYER

God of glory,
great are your wonders among us and many are the blessings you bestow. Use us and these your gifts for the needs of the world, that all the ends of the earth may rejoice in your saving grace, through Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy

Music notation for the hymn "Holy, Holy". The lyrics are:

Ho - ly,
Ho - ly,
Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might. Heav - en and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blest is he,
blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCARISTIC PRAYER

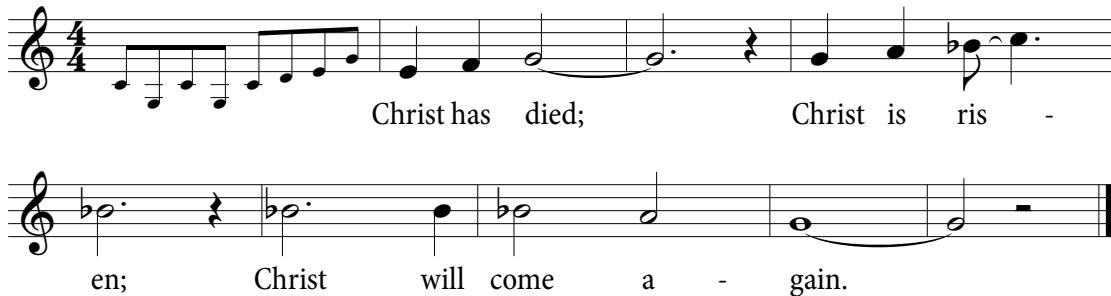
Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life: Blessed are you for the birth of creation. Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light. Blessed are you for your promise to your people. Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams. Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will. Blessed are you for your Son Jesus, the Word made flesh.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation



Christ has died; Christ is risen.
en; Christ will come a - gain.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming.

Come, Lord Jesus. (Ven, Señor Jesús.)

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal. May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light. Bring the gift of peace on earth.

Come, Holy Spirit. (Ven, Espíritu Santo.)

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

Great Amen



A - men, A - men,
A - - - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at this meal.

God is now in flesh appearing. Come to the feast of joy!

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

like a child

1. like a child love would send to re - veal and to mend like a child and a friend Je - sus comes like a child we may find claim - ing child on the street Je - sus comes like a child we once knew com - ing child here to stay Je - sus comes like a child we re - ceive all that heart soul and mind like a child strong and kind Je - sus comes back in - to view like a child born a - new Je - sus comes love can con - ceive like a child we be - lieve Je - sus comes

Hymn Commentary, continued

a child-like melody to accompany this new carol. Rather than comparing the Christ-child to royalty or detailing the humble surroundings of the manger scene, Damon looks at children in the world and sees Christ-like qualities in them. Look at the children around you, he tells us in this carol, and you will see glimpses of the infant Jesus.

Traditionally many Christmas hymns have explored the birth of Jesus as the coming of a monarch: "Glory to the new-born King!" "Noel, born is the King of Israel." "Let earth receive her King." Others have explored the images of Jesus, born in humble surroundings: "Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall." "Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed." Poets are always searching for metaphors to express the nature of the Incarnation. Rev. Daniel Charles Damon is among the more recent hymn writers who explore the coming of infant Jesus in fresh ways. Reminiscent of e.e. cummings' poetic style, Damon wrote his original poem with no capital letters or punctuation. Presented as a poem rather than interlined with the music, the indented lines of the text provide a visual symbol of the Christ child descending to earth. Damon composed (continued at right)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Incarnate God,
you are among us at this table. May we treasure this gift and ponder in our hearts the mystery of your presence. Move us to discover the wonders of your love in the everyday moments of our lives, through Christ born in us. Amen.

SENDING BLESSING

Dios todopoderoso, Creador, + Redentor, y Sabadurío Santo, los bendiga ahora y siempre.
Almighty God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

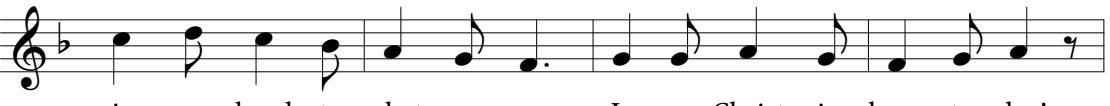
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Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

The earliest manuscript of this old medieval carol at Leipzig University dates from around 1400. John Mason Neale included this English translation in his Carols for Christmas-tide (1853), which he edited with Thomas Helmore. This German melody from the 14th century is named INDULCI JUBILO, for the Latin words of the refrain. The tune has always been used with this text and appeared in an early Lutheran hymnal, Geistliche Lieder, published in Wittenberg, Germany, in 1533. This tune was first used in Protestant services in 1529, and Martin Luther included it in his hymnal of the same year. J.S. Bach utilized the tune in two different organ pieces and at least 25 other uses of the melody were documented by G.R. Woodward in Piae Cantiones (1910).



1. Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
2. Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
3. Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;



give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day!
now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave; Je - sus Christ was born to save!



Ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now:
He has o - pened heav - en's door, and we are blessed for - ev - er-more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the ev - er - last - ing hall.



Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

DISMISSAL

Glory to God in the highest!
And peace to God's people on earth!
Go in joy. Embody God's redeeming grace.
Thanks be to God.

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH



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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WEEKLY eNEWS

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WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M.

Zoom "doors" open at 10 a.m.

Phone-in # **1-253-215-8782**

Meeting ID **865 1710 7296** Password **299944**

THIS WEEK

Packed with Pride gratefully accepts non-perishable food and hygiene donations. **Especially needed is canned tuna and other canned proteins.** You may leave them in the donation barrel outside the office door or in the donation basket in the Sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity.

We continue to collect change and loose bills for the laundry ministry of Just Compassion. Drop your donation in the plastic washing machine on the table in the entry. Or send along an extra amount with your regular gift to the church and mark it clearly for "laundry."

Pick up a blue BottleDrop bag for your personal use and benefit Christ the King/Cristo Rey. To date you have deposited more the \$800 worth of cans and bottles. Keep up the good work for the environment and for our ministries here. Simply return the filled bag to any BottleDrop location and scan the barcode.

CHRISTMAS SEASON CONCLUDES

As the Christmas season concludes, please feel free to offer your hopes about our future Advent and Christmas celebrations. What are the most meaningful icons of the season as we worship in *this* place. What would you like to see come along to our next worship space? What traditions are most important to you? Drop a note to the council or send an email to any council member, Pastor Dorothy, or Tim. It's most helpful if you can put it in writing and sign it so we can refer to your suggestions as we move forward and can get in touch with you to clarify if needed.

EPIPHANY SEASON BEGINS

The festival season of the church year continues with the Season of Revelation of the Light. The first Sunday of Epiphany we will celebrate the Baptism of our Lord. The color turns from Advent blue to Christmas white to green, the color of growth. Consider your baptism. Do you have any mementos from that day, any family stories you would like to share? Perhaps your child or grandchild was baptized at Christ the King. Maybe one or two of you would be willing to share your story in worship. This season is a time to acknowledge the unfolding light, figuratively and literally. We are people of the Light.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SERIES

The Liturgical (Church) Year. It's still Christmas. Let's talk about the little changes in the sanctuary. What happened to the Advent wreath? Where did all the blue fabric go? Why are we lighting that third candle? Lots to talk about. Join the conversation every Sunday.

For parents with small children there is a very helpful "board book" titled *My Church Words Book* published by Concordia Publishing House and available from many online sources or directly from the publisher, cph.org.

BIBLE WOMEN STUDY BEGINS

Bible Women Study begins Wednesday, January 14. The time is the same—7 p.m.—but there is a new Zoom link:

Phone-in # **1-253-215-8782**

Meeting ID **896 8688 3787** Password **698422**

GIVING

There are several ways to share your tithes and offerings:

- Place your offering in the plate on Sunday morning.
- Mail a check to the church office (11305 SW Bull Mountain Rd., Tigard, OR 97224).
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God's work. Our hands.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana is a community of children of God who are seeking to know God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ, who welcomed all.

This community of faith is enriched and strengthened by diversity. We welcome all to share in the life and ministries of worship, sacraments, responsibilities, leadership, and blessings of participation in this congregation. We are committed to the work of racial equity.

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace differences of age, race, ethnicity, language, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, appearance, economic status, marital status, and family situation.

No matter what your life experience is or has been, you are a child of God and you are welcome here.

Por lo tanto, recibíos los unos a los otros, como también Cristo nos recibió, para gloria de Dios. Romanos 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana es una comunidad de hijos e hijas de Dios que buscan conocer a Dios siguiendo las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, quien ampara a todos.

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