

# WELCOME TO FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Pick up Advent Devotions

This advent season, we encourage you to puncture each day with a moment of looking for hope, a conscious paying attention to the details of life gifted by God, a holy moment of wondering and searching for glimpses of God. Throughout the advent devotion, you will find stories of faithful waiting, of searching for peace in tension, of looking for hope despite the circumstances, and of joy peeking through it all. Sign up to receive the devotions emailed to your inbox each day by writing "Advent" on your WRC or pick up a paper copy of the devotional at church.

#### Fireside Chat Series

November 30, December 7 & 14, 9:30 a.m. in FH 205

Join us for a three-week series inspired by Tattoos on the Heart
by Father Greg Boyle - a book that has deeply shaped our
community toward radical kindness, compassion, and trust in
the slow work of God. Centered around our Advent theme,
"A Thrill of Hope: Discerning God in the World," we will
listen in on meaningful conversations exploring how God's
quiet, healing work often unfolds through tenderness and
attentive presence. No reading or preparation needed.

#### Room in the Inn

Monday, December 8

Covenant welcomes our neighbors experiencing homelessness by hosting Room in the Inn. On December 8, the congregation has an opportunity to work together to ensure our neighbors have a warm tasty meal and breakfast the next morning. Families are encouraged to participate by preparing food in advance and/or serving our neighbors. Write "RITI" on your WRC to sign up to volunteer to serve or prepare food.

### Join us for Centering Prayer

Wednesdays in Advent: December 3,10,17; 12:30 - 1:00 p.m. in the Parlor (enter through the Welcome Center)

Centering Prayer is a silent, receptive form of Christian prayer that depeens our relationship with God. Give yourself a peaceful respite from the busy holiday season.

#### Christmas Eve Children's Play

Wednesday, December 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Calling all kids ages 5 or in Kindergarten who would like to take part in our Christmas Eve play about the birth of Jesus. All are welcome to join! You do not need to be a church member to participate. The 5's and Kindergarten class will rehearse the speaking lines during the 9:30 Sunday School hour during the month of December. On Christmas Eve the 5s/Kindergartners will help lead our Christmas play where all children of all ages will have a part to play, no rehearsal required! If you know of any child that is interested, please contact Amber Brown for more details. We'd love to have them be part of this special celebration.

# Starting Point: with Bob Henderson and Katherine Kerr

Sunday, December 7, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor Interested in joining Covenant or just curious about the church? Please join us for casual conversation, coffee, and light breakfast. Childcare will be available, and children are always welcome.

#### The Mezzanine Holiday Party

December 11, 2025 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Mezzanine on Freedom Join us to celebrate the holiday with our neighbors at the Mezzanine! Several opportunities are available. Donate gifts for kiddos to give their grown ups, or help with set up, crafts, food, or clean up. This is a joyful event for families and volunteers! Write "Mezzanine Party" on your WRC to sign up.

## 2025 Giving Update and 2026 Stewardship Update

Currently, we have reached 65% of our 2026 pledged giving goal. In addition, we encourage you to fulfill your 2025 pledge to help us meet our 2025 annual goal. 2025 outstanding contributions shown below. Thank you for your faithful contributions to the life and mission of our community of faith.

TOTAL	\$3,830,980	\$3,113,064	-\$717,916
Non-Pledged Giving	\$290,000	\$240,656	-\$49,344
Pledge Receipts	\$3,540,980	\$2,872,408	-\$668,572
	2025 Goal	Receipts*	Outstanding
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<sup>\*</sup>as of November 24, 2025