

CENTRAL LUTHERAN MESSENGER

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SUNDAY ADVENT WORSHIP

Sunday, December 6th 2nd Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 13th 3rd Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 20th 4th Sunday in Advent

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES will be at 10:30 a.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 5:00 p.m

Tuesday, December 24th

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE 10:30 a.m.

LESSONS & CAROLS Sunday the 27th



January Messenger Deadline December 28th, 2020
**Please e-mail your articles to Central Lutheran Church
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Ponderings from David,

And we are off . . . the preparation has begun, and we are racing through Advent to Christmas Eve and Christmas Tide. This year, preparing for Advent is difficult. And the reason for my difficulty is that my role has changed from the comfortable position in the pew where I participated in the worship and activities of Advent and Christmas. This year I'm planning Advent and Christmastide which puts a totally different spin on Advent. My days are focused on planning, arranging, answering questions, and responding to questions about music, decorations, taping schedules, and most importantly prayer, study and crafting the sermons and meditations for December. As the office staff and others are beginning to roll out the publicity for our Advent Schedule, I'm beginning to see the tide turn again, not back to the pew but the excitement joining you in Holy-Days of Advent Worship, Weekly Meditations, and plans for Christmas Eve.

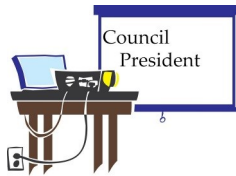
And I need your help . . . in several areas as we celebrate Advent and Christmas.

- Find space each week to spend an hour worshipping with our congregation through our streaming platform at clcyakima.org. Then call a friend, either from church, or your circle of relatives and friends, and encourage them to worship with you and the people of Central Lutheran.
- On Wednesday mornings a Meditation will be released on the clcyakima.org site. These 20 minutes of opportunity to explore as part of the Advent season what it means to say "Lord, I'm Waiting". Remember there is no time specified for this meditation made available on Wednesday. Find a quiet spot and reflect, ponder and commune with God.
- On Christmas Eve our worship will be celebrative with scripture, carols, and various folks providing special music. **Especially for this service I need your help. I need a picture of you and your family holding a lit candle. I'm seeking to use these photos in our Christmas Eve liturgy. These can be sent by email, dropped off at the church, text them to me at 952-4351, or pony express. In order to include these in our service I must have these by December 10.**

Our First Sunday of Advent last Sunday was the foundational sermon on our Advent Theme "My Heart Shall Sing of the Day You Bring." I'm hearing some people beginning to hum. The key for me it is not a lament, but a canticle of joyful praise. Let us work together and make a difficult time the best Advent and Christmas experience!

Singing Joyfully of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love, Thank you Jesus,

G David Lambertson



November 27, 2020

Greetings and may the peace of the Lord be with you all!

I am thankful for all of you (72+) for attending our annual meeting on November 15. I'm very appreciative of our vice president, Karen Baken, for conducting our meeting and doing such a great job of facilitating the zoom session. Not easy! Also I'm very appreciative of Duane Monick's heavy lifting to make all this happen. And thankful to Pastor Lambertson for leading us in devotion and centering our work in prayer. Lea did a great job of preparing and distributing the meeting packet and our council and committees did outstanding in reflecting on their past year's accomplishments and articulating goals. We met our new intentional interim, Pastor Kathleen Anderson, and we're excited to have her join us. It's a thank you thing going on here!

I regret not being able to stand in front of the live group like Laura Hahn did last year. She asked the council members to come forward to be recognized. She bid farewell to three council members and got Ron Burkhardt and Melissa Christianson to raise their hands and commit to serving on council as new members. Yea! Remember her comment about the lack of eye contact while she was surveying the assembly for a volunteer. :)

At that point, I decided that if I ever got a chance to conduct the annual meeting, I'd do this behind the mic. "Please stand if you've ever served on the CLC council." I bet well over half the assembly would be standing. I'd then ask those who have served as council president to remain standing. Again, I bet a large number would still be standing. So here's some more, THANKS to you all! By the way, when we get back to a live annual meeting I'll ask the current president for an opportunity to do so.

Please, look in your mind's eye at the group we could not call up to be recognized and appreciated as your representatives on the council: Karen Baken, Shane Pierone, Tiffany Nygard, Melissa Christenson, Carissa Switzer, Tim Franks, Ron Burkhardt, and Chris Svendsen. As you read this, please give them a hand and say thanks!

Finally, I would have kept Tiffany Nygard and Carissa Switzer up in the front as the others took their sets. These two have served faithfully and contributed a much needed young adult perspective on our council. They are both very intelligent and articulate and we will surely miss them as they step down after completing their terms. A round of applause for these two ladies!. In this season of thanks, we are thankful to our good Lord for holding us in his arms and guiding our way.

Pax Domini,
Stephen Merz

My Heart Shall Sing of the Day You Bring
Advent & Christmas Eve
Central Lutheran



Advent Worship

- Nov 29 – Hope: My Heart Shall Sing
- Dec 6 - Peace: My Trusting Heart
- Dec 13 – Joy: My Listening Heart
- Dec 20 – Love: My Worshipping Heart

Advent Meditations

- Lord, I'm Waiting
- December 2
- December 9
- December 16
- December 23

Christmas Eve

With sadness, but with collective wisdom, all services will be limited to online viewing using the clcyakima.org website.
Let's gather to worship at Central with Pastor Lambertson.

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Family and friends of Fred Halverson who died November 19.

Family and friends of Larry Douglas who died November 26th.

Doris Benish who is at Emerald Care In Wapato with Covid-19.

Prayers for our valley, our nation and the world affected with the Covid virus pandemic.

Ongoing Prayer For Shut Ins

Phyllis Gillihan (*Ponderosa*)

Mary Frances Jones (*Cedar Hills*)

Joanne Puyear (*Arbor House*)

Art Ries (*Livingcare*)

Toni Perschke (*Avamere*)

Walter & Edith Mabry (*Yakima*)

Betty Douglas (*Moxee*)

Elaine Bueling (*Fieldstone Memory Care*)

Mel Carlson (*Fieldstone Memory Care*)

Gail Hills (*Home with Hospice*)

Gary Pierone (*Good Samaritan*)

Dale Miller (*Yakima*)



Please update any
prayer request



Pastor G David Lambertson
will be preaching December

Sunday Worship is available in 2 different methods electronically

1. Facebook - This is not a live stream so that chat is not available, a prerecorded video will be displayed @ 9am. Find our Facebook page by searching for Central Lutheran Yakima.
2. CLCYakima.org Website - Go to the Sermons & Worship Videos tab. You will find a link to the bulletin and recorded video.



ANNUAL MEETING

Summary of the Annual Meeting November 15th, 2020

10: 35 a.m. Meeting opened with devotions led by Pastor David Lambertson

Council Vice President and Meeting Chairperson Karen Baken called the meeting to order

Determination of quorum and introduction of parliamentarian Chris Svendsen. At least 71 members were observed in attendance.

Laura Hahn (Covid-19 Committee Chair With the recent spike in Covid-19 cases, the Covid-19 Advisory Committee recommends that do not worship in-person at this time.

Interim Pastor Kathleen Anderson's introduction video was shown. Pastor Kathleen is looking forward to being with us and to be back in Washington.

Parliamentarian Chris S. noted that if no dissent was voiced by the members in attendance after the request of the chairperson, adoption of measures and approval of nominees could be made by "General Consent" instead of written ballot, per section 48 of the Robertson Rules of Order.

Treasurer Tim Franks introduced the 2021 Budget and Spending Plan:

Anne Chapman made a motion to approve budget as presented. Melissa Christianson second. Budget approved

Elections:

Church council: Stephen Merz - Melissa Falk - Felicity Pittman

Treasurer: Tim Franks

Secretary: Shane Pierone

Endowment Committee:

Nominations for full 3 year terms 2021-2023:

Helen Riehl – LeNee Gatton – Nicole Pierone

Nomination for remaining 1 year term 2021 vacated by Amy Clark:

Ann Willis –

were deemed approved by the Chair, Karen B.

Call committee:

Laura Hahn, Bev Larson, Paul Rogers, Virgil Umbarger, Denise Svendsen, Stephen Merz, Nicole Pierone, and Marie Halverson

Introduction of Ministry Site Profile Committee:

Melissa Christianson, Felicity Pittman, Mary Johnson, Angie Karn, Connie Stephens, Kirsten Monick, Linda Birmingham, Virgil Umbarger, Paul Rogers, and Bruce Willis

Other business:

Endowment Committee - Duane Monick gave an overview of the Endowment Funds. Denise Svendsen asked that a portion of the Endowment funds be used for outreach, such as On the Corner. Duane explained that the endowment funds are not to be used recurring and sustaining programs. The Lenberg Fund is used at the discretion of the council. The Shelby Fund is used for scholarships. Perhaps they could be accessed. Denise is frustrated that she has to find grants to fund her wage. Council will be discussing this situation at the next council meeting.

Endowment By-Laws Changes were submitted by Duane Monick and approved by congregation.

Committee report questions: None voiced.

Closing prayer: Pastor David L.

Adjournment at 11:36 a.m. by Meeting Chairperson Karen Baken



The SALVATION ARMY invites you to give of yourself to others making donations:

RINGING THE BELLS has been cancelled.

Call Selma Umbarger at 575-6610 if you have any questions.



Treasurer's Report		October 31, 2020		Expenses by major category	
Financial results thru				October	
		Year to date		Year to date	
Offerings/Income		October	Year to date	Expenses by major category	
General fund	30,415.00	274,669.36	Salaries & benefits	11,275.45	177,001.52
Building Usage	950.00	12,589.00	Youth & Family	529.23	3,026.14
other income	(21.02)	5,924.97	Worship	518.00	2,902.28
Transfers			Hospitality	-	806.45
from endowment fund	-	18,070.17	Stewardship/Church in Society	3,382.60	17,625.65
from money market			Property	2,916.35	72,535.28
Gertie Hein - Visitation	-	-	Office	999.20	10,410.86
Total	31,343.98	311,253.50	Total	19,620.83	284,308.18
	October 2020		operating income, net of transfers	\$ 11,723.15	
			net income	\$ 11,723.15	
	Year to date		operating income, net of transfers	\$ 8,875.15	
			net income	\$ 26,945.32	



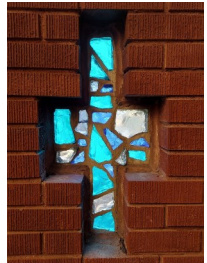
A BIG THANK YOU TO THE CREW THAT DID YARD CLEAN UP NOVEMBER 10TH, 2020.

VIRG UMBARGER, RANDY TOWN, BILL HARRISON, ONNI PERALA, PAUL ROGERS, MARK & FELICITY PITTMAN, MELISSA, AVA & ABBY CHRISTIANSON.



JUST FOR FUN

How many hats, gloves, and scarves will members donate to hang on the Yakima Ave. entry way to be given to Rod's House?



17 crosses are in the chapel!

“Celebrating Central”



1st Elaine Bueling

3rd Fransisca Trevino

5th Madeline Falk

7th Abby Christianson

8th Anna Greenside, Carole Folsom-Hill, Nancy Smart

9th Rachel Roll & Grant Reiersen

10th Courtney Franks

11th Matthew Imbrock

13th Karin Avery, Heather Crane

15th Kirsten Monick

16th LeNee Gatton, Nicholas Loyd

20th Myrna Hillestad, Nancy Roehr

21st Wayne Hahn, Suzanne Tarr

23rd Dale Miller

25th Carol Nelson

27th Deanna Pappas

28th Asael Rabadan

29th Noelle Roehr, Lori Wilson

30th Kenan Rottman, Soren Rottman

31st JoAnn Schliemann

1st Jeremy & Shayna Brown

3rd Walter & Edith Mabry (71 years)

4th Tim & Judy Johnson

17th Dale & JoAnn Schliemann

19th Toni & Art Derschke

28th Mike & Faith Richardson

29th Paul & Holly Gonseth



**Please donate mittens,
gloves, hats, and scarves
to our
“MITTEN TREE”**



**Swing by the upper entrance of the church between
November 16th and December 23rd and hang your
donations on the Mitten Tree.**

**Adult size items will be donated to Rod's House and the
YWCA. Child size donations will be donated to the YWCA.**

Central Lutheran Piecemakers Annual Quilt Sale

Our Piecemakers are excited to announce their annual quilt sale is going to happen during the first week of December! To purchase a quilt simply call (575-6490) or email the church office (office@clcyakima.org) with the number attached to the quilt you would like to purchase. Our CLC staff will be happy to help you. If you would like to see or purchase a quilt in person come to church* December 1st-4th, 9am-12pm and member of the Piecemakers will help you out.

Funds from the quilt sales help our Piecemakers purchase needed supplies to continue making quilts that are donated throughout our valley.



*When entering the church you must wear a mask, sanitize your hands and sign in.



Pastor Lambertson has changed the Zoom meeting number and meeting time for his Sunday morning **Coffee Klatch**. Please make note. Save this email where you can easily find it so you can join the meeting by simply clicking the link below. You can also join by using the join button in the Zoom app and entering the meeting number

Every week on Sun, until Jan 3, 2021

Dec 6, 2020 11:00 AM

Dec 13, 2020 11:00 AM

Dec 20, 2020 11:00 AM

Dec 27, 2020 11:00 AM

Jan 3, 2021 11:00 AM

If you use an electronic calendar system on your phone or computer, you can download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZAscOysrDkpE9EICY-CHQNYFudL6xHZTCNC/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGsrzwvHtaXsxCCRpwIBY_CZ-izpnpej_p4tTzcTqN7Uy3PEPdGHuRnOOLk

Join Zoom Meeting with this link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84175422395>

Meeting ID: 841 7542 2395

If you have a mobile phone that has a contact list, you can enter these numbers and characters into the contact and then call that contact. You will join the meeting as audio only. The commas represent the wait function on your phone keyboard.

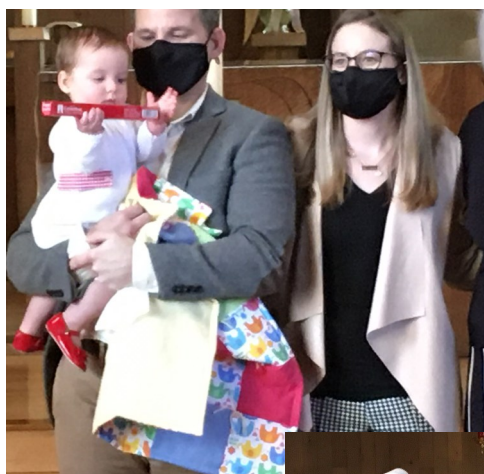
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If you do not have a computer, tablet, or smartphone, you can join the meeting with audio only by dialing this number and be prepared to give the meeting number: +1 253 215 8782



In November our synod received a grant from Covid-19 Appeal through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America with the specifications that grants go only to those ministries serving People of Color. This is due to the disproportionate way in which ethnic populations have been affected by the pandemic.

Our Synod Council Grants Task Force awarded a grant of \$800 to On The Corner. This grant is to be used to serve Wednesday night meals to ethnic children in this ministry. **Congratulations to On The Corner!**



November 28th, 2020
Rev. G David Lambertson,
Presided over the Baptism
of Reese Marie Good. Her
parents are Kevin and Anne
Good, grandparents are
Robert and Trina Good.





On The Corner Update:

We continue to distribute meals to OTC families every Wednesday night. Along with the meals, we also send home creative activities that the kids can do at home. The meal is a very important part of OTC because many of our kids don't receive enough to eat. Our number one goal has been to remain in contact with the families that were part of the program when OTC had to shut down. We can always use these extra items for our meal bags.

Chili - Pasta - Mac n Cheese - Top Ramen Noodles

Please bring us your plastic grocery bags!

For more information contact Denise at

denise.svensen@clcyakima.org/509-949-8580



OTC will be having a Drive-by Christmas Event

for currently registered OTC kids.

Saturday, December 19th from 1:00 to 2:00

in the Chestnut Ave parking lot



Have a Blessed Christmas from everyone at OTC!



OTC Pumpkin Patch: Kids turned in their "Scary Stories" then picked a pumpkin and a Halloween goodie bag.

