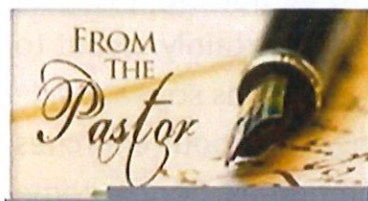


First Congregational United Church of Christ December 2024 Church Mouse

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Some would say “It’s the most wonderful time of the year!” And that is certainly true. But it is also the busiest time of the year, especially for those who practice the steeple life. As we move into the high and holy season of Advent, I want to call your attention to the numerous opportunities that await us. As you are aware we will decorate the sanctuary on Tuesday, December 3rd and Wednesday, December 4th beginning at 4:00 p.m. The Tuesday gathering is for the heavy lifting, for putting up the Chrismon Tree and the garland. On Wednesday we will decorate and put the finishing touches on our displays, the evening highlighted by a festive atmosphere with some seasonal goodies. Last year was a blast. I hope you will plan to come.

You probably read in the last edition of the Church Mouse that we were planning for two services on Christmas Eve, a shorter family worship experience followed later by the formal Lessons and Carols. Please disregard that information. Upon further review, we have decided that we will have a birthday party for the children beginning at 6:30 p.m. including a time of fun and a reading of the Christmas story by yours truly. We are looking for some volunteers to help make this happen! The annual Lessons and Carols service will follow at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to join us as we celebrate the Nativity as we welcome the birth of Christ.

Rather than having a formal worship service for what is called either Blue Christmas, the Longest Night, or a Holiday Service for Those Who Grieve, this year I invite anyone who would like to gather with me on Saturday, December 21st at 6:00 p.m. to share if desired, to light a candle, or to simply sit in silence, acknowledging that for many of us the holidays can be challenging, even difficult.

On Wednesday, December 11th, we will gather at the Community Warehouse for the Arts for an Advent Bible Study featuring a discussion of the infancy narratives in the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. Your questions are welcomed and expected, the Doctrine of the Virgin Birth always

naturally getting a lot of theological commentary this time of year. We will continue and conclude our Advent Bible Study, with some devotional words from me, on Wednesday, December 18th, following our second fellowship supper.

Finally, calendar wise, don't forget, and this is always a wonderful and exciting thing, something we all hope continues to become more and more frequent, is that we will welcome new members into the church on Sunday, December 8th during worship. I am delighted with the new folks who have decided to join us on our congregational journey. Following worship on that day we are all invited to the home of Kelli and Steve Burrill for a holiday gathering.

I say this over and over and over again but there is always so much happening here at First Congregational United Church of Christ, the members of this church continually thinking of new ways for us to be engaged with one another and with our community. To be honest, it is hard for me to keep up with the frenzied activities . . . and I am the pastor. This is certainly meant to be a compliment, not a complaint. I am especially moved by the various ministries so creatively carried out by this local missional church, to use the new, in vogue, language about churches that are active beyond their walls as they engage and embrace their communities. People come to church for a lot of reasons, for worship, for fellowship and community, even for preaching—yikes—but many people choose a church based on its “outreach”, a word that is used, sometimes misused, in a variety of ways, but for us, a description of the way we interact with the residents of the Eagle River area, especially seeking to meet the needs of those who are in need. In other words, we find true joy in following in Jesus’ footsteps, in serving as we are able, being servants in whatever ways we can, big and small. It is this part of this congregation that is energizing, hopeful, and inspiring. Keep up the good work!

I look forward to seeing you on Sundays!

Tim

High and Holy Days – Fall and Winter 2024

- Sunday, December 1st – *First Sunday of Advent; Hope*
 - Tuesday and Wednesday, December 3rd and 4th – *Sanctuary Decoration (refreshments on the 4th)*
 - Sunday, December 8th – *Second Sunday of Advent; Peace; New Member Welcome and Lunch at Burrill's*
 - Wednesday, December 11^h – *Advent Study at the Community Warehouse for the Arts 6:00 p.m.*
 - Sunday, December 15th – *Third Sunday of Advent; Joy (Gaudete)*
 - Wednesday, December 18th – *Dinner and Advent Study 6:00 p.m.*
 - Saturday, December 21st – *Longest Night Service 6pm; Parents' Night Out 5:00-8:00 p.m.*
 - Sunday, December 22nd – *Fourth Sunday of Advent; Love*
 - Tuesday, December 24th – *Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols*
 - Sunday, December 29th – *Fellowship Gathering in Fellowship Hall*
- Look at the calendar online or included in this Mouse for all events <https://eagleriverucc.org/calendar/>*

FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Dear Church,

Rather than another letter from me, I am including this December my stewardship moment from November 22nd. After all, Christmas is about giving! It is about the risk that a family took to birth a baby in a hostile place, never giving up even when refused shelter, and giving us back HOPE in HARD TIMES. Join us this month for so many wonderful events and let's restore Hope together. I know you will feel God's amazing love sent to us as Jesus.

It's not our time to hide- it's God's time to shine.

Our amazing children in this church family have been learning and acting out the 23rd Psalm. Read it and listen and hear what the Lord provides for us.

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil,
for you are with me;*

*your rod and your staff,
they comfort me. You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord!*

David, the author, knew we are safe, we are cared for, we are even chased down when we are lost, by a God who will do anything just to show us how special we are. What's love? That's love.

I figure we can come at life from the position of scarcity or abundance. Scarcity like the chipmunk who hoards and stuffs its mouth with acorns preparing for the worst of winters, the harshest of conditions, scared for what might be ahead.

Or abundance knowing we have all we need and we are thankful to overflowing as the Thanksgiving holiday this week remind us. We have love and food and shelter while others may only feel hunger, fear, hate, and despair. David felt all of this in the Psalms just as we do.

Thanksgiving has come and I am thankful and grateful for each of you and all our church community. With this thankful heart, I can once again, IMAGINE . . . more food for NATH meals and the homeless needing safe shelter; for lights and heating for AA and NA who meet here several times weekly; more children's groups each week and maybe a regular monthly night out for families; more medical aid for Haiti and Gaza and Ukraine and war-torn areas; safe clinics for our own healthcare; IMAGINE...you fill in the blank. In fact, I'm IMAGINING that for every dollar we spend on our building and ourselves, we send a dollar out to missions, local and international in our budget not just from our endowments.

What are you IMAGINING?

We've spent many a meal with Micah kids in Honduras. Darwin, when he came to Micah from living on the streets 'til age 14, had never eaten with a fork much less had a multi-course meal. We Americans thought it would be nice to take all the kids and staff out to dinner at a restaurant in Tegucigalpa. When we got our food, Darwin barely ate. He piled food on his plate then asked for foil into which he placed his chicken and tortillas and cheese and beans and then put the packet in the pocket of his hoodie. I remember being annoyed feeling that he was sort of turning down MY gift of a meal I wanted him to have. When we asked, he said 'I have enough, my brothers haven't eaten all day.' Not my idea but certainly God's.

No matter how wealthy we are in society's terms, I really believe God gives us more than we need and it's up to us to respond what we do with it. I believe God wants us to be generous with each other AND generous with God's church and its community. Not consider what we lack but the abundance we have in our overflowing cup. Please consider your pledge. We have budgeted \$135k of pledges for 2025. The good news is, we are halfway there. 31 families have pledged/hoped for \$84k. Just 27 families and \$46k to go to meet this goal. Pledge what you can and what you believe is right for our mission to BE THE CHURCH. There are cards in the pews or in the back of the church for you to complete and put in the offering plate.

The news may be telling me we don't know what's coming next. But I need to think about what I do know-IMAGINE with God. It's like a trust exercise. Look ahead with us to the opportunities we have to be the special place in Eagle River that God intends us to be in an even bigger way . . . open, loving, generous to overflowing, and not just that, now certified as Affirming.

It's not our time to hide- it's God's time to shine!

Let's do this...together!

In Love,

Carol Marshall

Church Council President

**CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY
2024 Budget YTD 10/31/2024**

	2024 Actual YTD 10/31/2024	2024 Annual Budget 10/31/2024	2024 Annual Budget YE
Income	\$147,253	\$137,287	\$163,244
Expense	\$176,755	\$177,988	\$210,085
Net Income (Loss)*	-\$20,127	-\$31,326	-\$46,841

*Income does not include investment fund transfers available if needed

The Church Council will meet on Monday, December 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Church members are always welcome to attend.



Backpack Program

We will not be packing in December or January but will start back up in February.

Watch for an email from me the week before.

If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact Tobi Johannsen, 920-450-1402.

THANKS!!!

I wish to thank all of you who prayed for me and those who wished me well during my health issues in the last few weeks.

It certainly feels good to be part of such a caring congregation.

William Charaf

Did you know we have a Facebook page?

Social media can be a great tool for churches, providing free exposure that can inform, inspire and bring people together. Instead of only connecting with members and visitors on Sunday mornings, we can engage throughout the week! Want to help?

1. If you have a Facebook account, "Like" our page! We have 264 followers and growing. That means 264 sets of eyes see all the great things going on at First Congregational!
2. Like and share posts! This improves the algorithm which increases the likelihood of posts being shown to a wider audience by prioritizing content with high engagement like likes, comments, and shares. Also, seeing that others have liked a post can encourage more users to engage with it, creating a positive feedback loop which leads to even greater visibility.
3. Send engaging pictures and/or videos from church related events. Posts that include photos/videos are by far the most popular. Thank you to everyone who already does this – you make this page possible! Photos can be texted to 608-358-5996 or e-mailed to kristenanchor@outlook.com
4. Feedback! If there's certain content you'd like to see more of, let us know - we are always open to ideas!

Thanks,
Kristen Anchor



HALF WAY THERE!!!

As of 11/18/24 we have received 32 pledges totaling \$87,854.00 towards our 2025 budget goal of \$135,000. It is not too late to submit your pledge card and if you have misplaced yours, there are extras in the back of the sanctuary.

GIVE UNTIL IT FEELS GOOD

Tom Helmick, November 3, 2024

I'm so proud to be a member of a church family that does so much to help others. We just go about our lives striving to do all the things that Jesus would have us do. I'd list all those things, but I don't want to be up here all day and I'm sure you don't want that either.

But, hey, this is a stewardship message so I need to point out where we still have room to grow. We're great at helping others, but our most pressing challenge is helping ourselves. But we need to help ourselves in order to help others.

I did some research and came up with these sure-fire quotations to inspire you to open your heart along with your purses and wallets:

Winston Churchill said this about stewardship, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

The authors of these next motivational messages are unknown, but they're my favorites.

"Giving is not a debt you owe, it is a seed you sow."

"You can give without loving, but you can't love without giving!"

"It is not a matter of how much of my money I will give to God, but how much of God's money I will keep for myself."

If those quotes don't make you want to help our church with your annual pledges or weekly offerings, just go with these final words:

"Don't give until it hurts, give until it feels good." I hope all of you will feel really, really good.

Gifts and Endowments Support Team – Finishing Strong

Acronyms, they can be helpful, annoying or both. In the sphere of money, there are a lot of them. Especially at the end of the year. Here are a few of them to consider.

MAGI – Modified Adjusted Gross Income, we need this for our taxes (not Epiphany)

IRMAA – Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount, dictates our Medicare Premiums

IRA – Individual Retirement Account with an RMD, helping us in retirement (hopefully!)

QCD – Qualified Charitable Distribution, if you're 70 ½ and have an IRA

We are grateful to Maggie Ball and the Vine Family who have allowed us to personalize and grow our missions, maintain our church by helping support programs. As we move into Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas, we remember that we all have the opportunity to give. Give back, give to share, give to help... If you are contemplating a year-end gift to support the church budget or endowments, please do so.

So, maybe consider a QCD from your IRA to help with your IRMAA and lower your MAGI!

If you have questions about our endowments or your own Planned Giving, please reach out to one of us on the team AND your tax advisor...

Your GEST TEAM,

Donna Adams, Mark Johannsen, Bill Marshall, Bob Mather, Linda Sanborn, and Carlton Schroeder

FLOWER CALENDAR:

What better way to honor anyone or anything than to share flowers with your church family on Sunday!

If you would like to give flowers for Sunday worship, please pick a Sunday and add your name to the Flower Calendar in the narthex across from the elevator. Flowers are ordered from Vintage Garden at a cost of \$35. Please write a separate check made out to the church. ***Please let Debbie Brown in the Church Office know the information you would like to have on the card.*** If you choose to get your own flowers, please let the Church Office know that you are doing so. You are welcome to take the flowers home after the service. Please return to Vintage Gardens as we then get more flowers for the money.

FLOWER SPONSORS FOR DECEMBER:

Barb Flaherty, Tom and Barb Helmick, and Mark Holperin

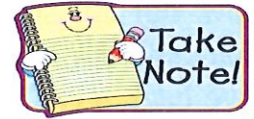


Patricia Adamovich, Lucas Aschbrenner, Linda Donner, Grace Florence,
Phil Garrison,
Barb Helmick, Molly Jaeger, Mary Lou Knearen, Louise Kruz,
Bill Marshall, Trisha Moore,
Phoebe Spier, Larry Thompson, and Carol Trojanowski.



*During the Offertory, we invite you to give your coins for the **Melody of Compassion**, our way of helping the Eagle River area and those who are in need for many years. Please bring your coins to keep the Melody ringing for others*

Notes from the Church Office



Check out our Webpage www.eagleriverucc.org: Did you know the calendar, worship bulletin and sermon are put on our webpage every week? Go to "About Us" then "Worship Services".

Scripture readers (Lectors) and ushers are always needed as well as readers for the Concerns of the Church. You may sign up by visiting our website or you may also contact Joy Turpin at joyfaithchapinturpin@gmail.com or 715-891-2658.

Facebook for photos and events: Have you seen our Facebook page?

<https://www.facebook.com/FirstCongregationalEagleRiver>

Pictures are worth a thousand words and Kristen Anchor along with all our photographers is keeping up the First Congregational Eagle River Facebook page with upcoming events and great photos of our involvements around town too. Check it out and **Share** or **Like** freely to spread the word of our Still Speaking God.

Online giving is always available through our website www.eagleriverucc.org. Click on Ministries, then online giving, and set up your account. Online giving allows you to make gifts conveniently. Other questions about donations, envelopes, etc., call us at the office 715-802-8501.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to order a poinsettia, please fill out the order form at the back of the Sanctuary or in the Church Office.



NATH Frederick Place Dinners

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Frederick Place November meal. Please check the bulletin board in the Narthex to see if you can provide something for our December 26th meal.

For more information, contact Mary Lou Congdon or Susan Krivichi, or sign up on the volunteer sheet attached to the poster in the Narthex.



DECEMBER COLLECTION:

We will be collecting new winter gloves, hats, mittens and scarves for men, women, and children of all ages during the month of December. These items will be distributed to area schools and to a variety of area organizations that provide shelter and/or other assistance for those in need. Please give as you are able and as you feel called. *If you have an idea for a future mission-oriented monthly collection, please let either Mary Lou Congdon or Barbara Helmick know.* We welcome your input.

MONTHLY DINNER SET FOR DECEMBER 18TH:

Please join us at church for a time of food and fellowship at **6:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 18th**. We are looking for folks to help provide the meal. If you're interested, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary. There are slots for a main course or two, salad, bread, dessert, and other appropriate dishes as needed. Also, if you plan to attend, please add your name to the second sign-up sheet. This will help us determine how much food we need to prepare! An added bonus: Pastor Tim will be leading an Advent study following dinner.

This is a great time to enjoy each other's company and our friendships during what can often be a dreary time of the year. Additional meals are planned for January and February. (March brings Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent and our weekly soup suppers.) Mary Lou Congdon and Barbara Helmick are coordinating this effort. Please reach out to one of them if you have any questions or want to help with the planning.

Women's Fellowship will **NOT** be meeting in December. The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 14th. All women are always welcome to attend.

BOOK CLUB

According to tradition, our December meeting will be a movie night which will be held on Thursday, December 12th at the home of Tobi and Mark Johannsen; 3805 Old Tyson Drive. We plan to gather at 5:30 p.m. and will begin the movie soon after 6:00 p.m. The menu is a potluck of "Substantial hors d'oeuvres" (i.e., hearty snacks).

Anyone interested in joining the regular members for this fun time please contact Donna De Pape at spindle257@gmail.com so you can be provided with more details when they become available. We are still considering other movie options and so your suggestions are welcome.

The November discussion of *The Diamond Eye* was very interesting. Based on the life of a young woman who became a sniper in the Russian army during the Second World War, this book was unusual in that it raised some probing questions. In addition, her trip to the United States and her friendship with Eleanor Roosevelt, led to an inventive fictional plot twist toward the end of the book.

We will bring in the new year in January with the book, *Beartown* by Fredrick Backman. The entire town seems to be part of the story where hockey is pivotal to the community and its life. The discussion will be held at the church in the sanctuary on January 9, 2025.

Donna De Pape



We have officially entered the season of Advent and soon will celebrate Christmas. This is a busy time of year for the Chancel Choir, the Chime Choir, and other musicians who will help us celebrate. We have a rather heavy rehearsal schedule ahead. We plan to have our Sunday of Joy celebration service on December 15th with the children building the Nativity Scene as the Christmas story unfolds through narration and song. This is such a great service as it celebrates the joy that music and children bring to worship. It is our hope that you will be able to be in attendance! We are also

in the process of planning the Christmas Eve Service which will include special music in addition to the choir.

I wanted to take the opportunity to thank both Norma Yaeger and Donna DePape for taking on the pianist responsibility at two of the four services in November as I had work-related travel and a Thanksgiving trip to Colorado to visit family. We had a nice visit with Bernie and Marlyn Hupperts who send their greetings!

As we journey through this Advent season, I hope we take time to ponder the mystery of God’s gift to us and all creation through this child. May it point us to see the hope, peace, joy, and love of the Christ Child and all that the Savior brings to the earth! Let us pray that we find glimpses of these gifts throughout each day.

I am including the choir schedule below if anyone would like to join us. All are welcome!

Lori Hunter


You may contact me at either (715) 493-8078 or lori.lee.hunter@gmail.com

Choir Rehearsal Schedule:

Date	Time	Titles
Sunday, December 1 st	8:00 a.m.	“My Lord, What a Morning” - “A Light of Hope, A Song of Peace”
Wednesday: December 4 th	3:30 p.m.	“When Will He Come” - “A Star Will Soon Shine” - “Peace on Earth, Goodwill to All”
Sunday, December 8 th	10:00 a.m.	“When Will He Come” - “A Star Will Soon Shine” - “Peace on Earth, Goodwill to All” - “The Friendly Beasts”
Saturday: December 14 th with the children	9:00 a.m.	“When Will He Come” - “A Star Will Soon Shine” - “Peace on Earth, Goodwill to All” - “The Friendly Beasts”
Sunday, December 15 th	8:15 a.m.	Warm up and Run-through
Sunday, December 22 nd	10:00 a.m.	“Advent Alleluia” - “Were You There on That Christmas Night”
December 24 th	5:45 p.m.	“Advent Alleluia” - “Were You There on That Christmas Night”

RECYCLING REPORT   

Our total poundage for our first-year challenge was an impressive 1013 pounds. Our bench has arrived and just needs to be assembled. Our new year began October 1st, so continue to collect at home, from family, and friends. Our collections for the first two months are: October; 152 pounds and November;

160 pounds for a total of 312 pounds. We are off to a great start!   

As always, if you have any questions see Kamie Kolb following worship or email her at kamiekolb1@gmail.com.



Coffee Hour ‘Refreshment Schedule’ through January 2025

December 1	Susan Krivichi	Louise Krus
December 8	Nancy Diepenbrock	Pat Adamovich
December 15	Pat Fox	Patti Roberts
December 22	Mary Lou Congdon	Joy Turpin
December 29 Quarterly Fellowship Gathering More Refreshment Providers Needed;)	Tom Helmick	Sharon Breit
January 5	Cathy Palmer	Barb Flaherty
January 12	Phoebe Spier	Trista Langley-Tyler
January 19	Joy Turpin	Louise Krus
January 26	Nancy Diepenbrock	Susan Krivichi

Hello friends, above is the schedule for providing treats for Coffee Hour after church. We’re happy that so many of you have volunteered to provide this nice addition to the coffee hour social time that enhances our worship together. Here are a few notes regarding your duties etc.:

1. You are only responsible for providing a treat on the assigned Sunday. If you want to set up the coffee maker prior to the service either Joy or Susan can show you how that is done. We have assigned two people each Sunday to make it less of a burden, there have been as many as 60 people at the 9:00 service.
2. You may bring pastries, cookies, bars, fruit, cheese and crackers or any other items you think would be nice for the social time. Please make sure that your item is ready to serve (I.e. bars cut up, placed on a plate if needed, provide a serving utensil etc.) There are some gluten free treats in the cabinet above the sink. There are plates and napkins and coffee cups in the Parlor to be used for coffee hour.
3. If you cannot provide treats on your assigned Sunday, please **first** contact another person on the list to see if you can switch your Sunday assignments. If that fails, please contact Susan or Joy to let them know that you will not be available on a given Sunday. Please update them on any switches you have made.
4. You **are not** required to clean up afterwards, so please do not worry if you can only drop off your treats and leave. We will make sure everything is cleaned up afterwards. If you can help clean up, that is great, and there is a very nice vacuum stored in the church office on the wall charger that can be used to vacuum the carpet after. Coffee grounds can be placed in the garbage can in the parlor and the pot should be emptied and rinsed.

Please do not hesitate to contact either Susan or Joy with comments, concerns, or suggestions. We look forward to working with you on this service to our church.

Susan Krivichi and Joy Turpin

MORE DECEMBER EVENTS

Deck the Halls!

Sanctuary Decorating - Plan to join us on Tuesday and Wednesday, **December 3rd and 4th at 6:00 p.m.** as we decorate the Sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas seasons. On Tuesday we need a group to do the hard work of putting up the tree and taking care of the basics. On Wednesday, we will gather to put the finishing touches on the Sanctuary, accompanied by refreshments and a festive holiday mood.



NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

and LUNCH December 8:

On Dec 8, we will have a "new members reception" at the home of Kelli and Steve Burrill. It will be from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and the entire congregation is invited to attend. It will be a holiday luncheon hosted by Kelli and Steve at their home at 3938 Brenner Lane. Kelli and Steve will provide ham (hot) and all are encouraged to bring a dish to share and the beverages they prefer. A sign up sheet will be provided at the back of the Sanctuary to indicate your attendance and also the dish you will be bringing. We look forward to seeing everyone there to welcome our new members and share Holiday good wishes.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING December 19



As in the past, in December we will be delivering Christmas goodies for the Sunshine Visitors' ministry as we go caroling. We will be needing homemade goodies (ie. cookies, candy), volunteers to help arrange the goodies and lots of carolers to add to the fun! If we have enough people, we will split into 2 groups of carolers. Everyone who would like to go caroling is welcome, even if you don't want to sing. This is often the highlight of our year's visits. We will be arranging the goodies and caroling the morning of Thursday **December 19th**. If you are wanting to help arrange the treats, please be in the church kitchen by 8:30 AM that morning. If caroling and delivering the treats, please show up (with weather appropriate clothing) to the Fellowship Hall by 9:15 AM that morning. We have some caroling booklets, but if you have one of your own, bring it. Also, please let me know if you will be supplying a treat &/or caroling. It makes it easier to organize the visits if I know how many people are coming. However, feel free to join us that day even if you haven't let me know ahead of time. The more carolers we have the more fun it is. Everyone is welcome. It will definitely warm your heart!



Holiday Services

Christmas Eve

6:30 p.m. A Time with the Children

7:00 p.m. A Service of Lessons and Carols

First Sunday after Christmas, Dec 29th

9:00 a.m. Holiday Gathering in Fellowship Hall

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Worship Service

SUNDAYS AT 9:00 A.M.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8am - Choir Practice 9am - Worship - First Sunday 4pm - Cub Scouts	2 4pm - Chime Choir 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	3 6pm - Christmas decorating 6pm - AA Meeting @ First 6pm - Soul Sisters	4 6pm - Christmas decorating 11am - Many Ways of Peace	5 6pm - Eagles AFG 6pm - Narcotics Anonymous	6 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	7
8 9am - Worship - Welcome 9am - Worship - Second 4pm - Cub Scouts	9 4pm - Chime Choir 6pm - AA Meeting @ First 7pm - Church Council	10 6pm - AA Meeting @ First 6pm - Soul Sisters	11 11am - Many Ways of Peace	12 6pm - Eagles AFG 6pm - Narcotics Anonymous 6:30pm - Book Club Social	13 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	14
15 8am - Choir Practice 9am - Worship - Third 4pm - Cub Scouts	16 4pm - Chime Choir 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	17 8:30am - Christmas Caroling 9:15am - Christmas Caroling 6pm - AA Meeting @ First 6pm - Soul Sisters	18 11am - Many Ways of Peace	19 6pm - Eagles AFG 6pm - Narcotics Anonymous	20 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	21 5pm - Parents Night Out
22 9am - Worship - Fourth 4pm - Cub Scouts	23 4pm - Chime Choir 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	24 6pm - AA Meeting @ First 6pm - Soul Sisters	25 Christmas Day	26 6pm - Eagles AFG 6pm - Narcotics Anonymous	27 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	28
29 9am - No Service - 4pm - Cub Scouts	30 4pm - Chime Choir 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	31 6pm - AA Meeting @ First 6pm - Soul Sisters	1 New Year's Day	2 6pm - Eagles AFG 6pm - Narcotics Anonymous	3 6pm - AA Meeting @ First	4

Ms. Sarah Y. Kemp

Dear _____, all
_____ Chuck + I want
to thank you
for the harvest cup
filled with goodies
you brought out
to us.

We appreciate your
thoughtfulness, good
conversation and the
candy which was gone
in 2 days!!

Please thank
everyone involved.

Sally + Chuck

The Northwoods Singers

Carols by Candlelight

Dr. Pamalyn Lee – Director

Linda Brainard - Piano

Sara Ehlert - Piano/Flute

Beth Hassler - Violin/Viola

Percussion Ensemble

4 pm, Sunday December 8, 2024

Ely Memorial Church

4302 County Rd B

Land O'Lakes, Wisconsin

4 pm, Sunday December 15, 2024

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

5030 Hwy 70

Eagle River, Wisconsin

Admission free

Free-will Donations gratefully accepted

Refreshments following the concert

*A small ensemble from the Northwoods Singers will be performing at
Three Lakes Center for the Arts on Friday, December 6, 2024 at 7:00 pm.*

Admission fee is \$15 for adults



