

Welcome to the Advent season! Here are a few reminders and upcoming events for the month of December at FLC.

Special Thanks

We wanted to say thank you to everyone who donated their time, energy, and resources towards the KJNP Thanksgiving food drive and the Denali Center Christmas shopping store. Both the radio station at North Pole and the volunteers at the Denali Center have expressed their gratitude, and it has been a great opportunity for us to give back to the community.

Worship during Advent

We are currently only having one worship service at **10am** on Sunday mornings via Facebook Live. We are not meeting in person at this time due to the spike in COVID case over the past few weeks. Our Reopening Task Force committee is continuing to meet and reassessing our current situation frequently. We know that FLC has rich traditions during the Advent season and unfortunately we will have to make some changes this year. We greatly appreciate your patience.

Unfortunately this means that our Advent worship services will be exclusively online until further notice. Our Sunday morning services will be live from the sanctuary, and the mid-week services, which will incorporate the Holden Evening Prayer by Marty Haugen, will be recorded and posted to Facebook Wednesday evenings. **If you would like a hard copy of the Holden Evening Prayer please contact the office and we'll get one to you soon.**

This month's worship services:

Wed, Dec. 2nd - *Mid-Week Advent worship w/ Holden Evening Prayer. Recorded online.*

Sun, Dec. 6th – *Second Sunday of Advent. Online service.*

Wed, Dec. 9th – *Mid-Week Advent worship w/ Holden Evening Prayer. Recorded online.*

Sun., Dec. 13th – *Third Sunday of Advent. Online service.*

Wed, Dec. 16th – *Mid-Week Advent worship w/ Holden Evening Prayer. Recorded online.*

Sunday, Dec. 20th – *Fourth Sunday of Advent. Online service.*

Tues, Dec. 22nd – *Mid-Week Advent worship w/ Holden Evening Prayer. Recorded online.*

Thurs, Dec. 24th – ***Christmas Eve Worship.*** *At the moment we are planning on having an online worship service with hymns and readings.*

Fri, Dec. 25th – *Christmas Day. Recorded service*

Sunday, Dec. 27th – *First Sunday of Christmas. Online recorded service.*

All worship services, live or recorded can be found on the Fairbanks Lutheran Church Facebook page.

Reminder of our voting process:

It is important for each voting member to cast their vote in order that we receive a quorum to carry out any action on the constitution.

We will be handling this vote the same way that we handled the vote on calling our pastor. Voting members can drop off their ballots at the church on one of the following dates:

Saturday, Dec. 5: 10am-noon

Sunday, Dec. 6: 10am-noon

Ballots cannot be mailed in or dropped off by someone else; each member must drop off their own ballot. Our constitution does not permit absentee, electronic or proxy voting.

The ballot for the final proposed constitution has been included in this mailing. If for some reason you did not receive a ballot please contact the church office and we'll get one sent to you ASAP, or you can stop by the church at the given times above and fill out your ballot in person. The final draft of our constitution will be emailed to you later this week. If you would like a hard copy please let us know.

If you are unable to deliver your ballot to the church, a Council member will come and pick up your ballot from you. Call the church office prior to Dec. 5 to make this request.

Voters will be verified against our roster of voting members. Thank you for all your feedback regarding our constitution and please cast your vote as it is important that we have a quorum.

Office Hours

The church building is currently closed to the public and will continue to be until further notice. The expectation to this is our community room and the Food Bank on Monday. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a time to see Pastor Lou please contact the office; the contact information is below.

Peace in Christ,

+ FLC Staff

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