

Our **Christmas Eve** service will take place
at **7pm** with **Communion**.

Donations, both financial and items around the **Giving Tree**,
will help us support **Street Help** this Christmas. We have one Sunday
left before we will take the donated items and a cheque to Street
Help. Thank you for the support
as we do our part to bring Christmas to **Street Help**.

A helpful list ☺:

Hats Gloves Socks Underwear Hand and Foot Warmers
Fruit Cups and/or other individually wrapped snacks
Granola Bars Canned Vegetables Sleeping bags & blankets.

Volunteers are needed for “Lotto Snow”

Please see sign-up sheet in the entry. Also needed are Coffee Hour hosts.

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Tecumseh United Church
 ~ An Affirming Congregation ~
 Sunday, December 18th, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.
 4th Sunday of Advent

We are a fragrance-free environment. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Attawandaron, Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples

*Please stand as you are able

We Gather in God's Love

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Advent Candles: (Three candles are lit)

Today is the Advent of love. As we light this candle, we remember all who are feeling lonely and distressed at this time of year.

We live in a world that fears the stranger and the strange.

We light this candle as our commitment to love that is expressed in inclusivity.

We are the community

that welcomes unconditionally and generously.

We light this candle for Jesus, the Lover of All.

The lighting of the Advent Candle of Love

Candle-lighting Hymn # 6 "A Candle is Burning" verse 4

(Please remain seated)

Call to Worship:

Advent is a season of waiting.

But we do not wait alone.

God is with us.

We gather with those who have seen the signs, heard the whispers, felt the tugs in their hearts.

God is birthing Love into this waiting world.

Let us worship with hearts open to Love.

***Hymn # 9 "People, Look East"**

Opening Prayer:

Compassionate God, be present with each one here today. Hold us in your love.

Steady us and remind us that when we are rooted in your love, we can be channels of blessing and healing.

We pray now these holy blessings on all who gather in love. We pray in the name of Jesus, who came to reconcile and make new. Amen.

***Hymn # 36 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"**

Children's Time / Lord's Prayer

Singing the Children Out ~ Hymn MV #107 "God Loves Me"

We Listen to God's Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

***Hymn # 282 Long Before the Night**

Meditation

We Respond to God's Word

Choir Anthem

The Offering / Offering Prayer

Prayers of the People / Prayer Book is read

We Go to Love and Serve God

***Hymn # 43 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"**

Commissioning & Benediction

**Music & Lyrics used under CCLI License # 11323634*

**Due to the increase in incidents of viral disease, the Board strongly recommends wearing a mask over your nose and mouth while in the building.*

Thank you for coming to Tecumseh United Church for worship. If you are new to the church, please fill out a Welcome Envelope.

Thanks to **Mary Lou Haskell** for reading and to **Deb Holek** for hosting Coffee Hour today.

Happy Birthday this week to Roy Symons, Rev. Robin, Donna Marsh, Bryon Desjarlais, Barb McMurray and Ashton Rivait

Happy Anniversary this week to Karen & Harry Devries