

THE GIVING TREE is up and ready to receive the following items **FOR STREET HELP**

Bringing Christmas to Street Help

Our Christmas campaign this year is for STREET HELP

Shopping list of items:

Hats
Gloves
Socks
Underwear
Hand and Foot Warmers
Fruit Cups and/or other individually wrapped snacks
Granola Bars
Canned Vegetable (no beans please)

Bigger ticket Items:

Sleeping bags (washable and rated for cold) and blankets. Sleeping bags are more expensive and maybe combine resources with a family or friends.

And/OR: Cash donations are very helpful and important.

See instructions on how to give as provided in the bulletin.

As always...

Please give as you are able.

Thank you.

-Your Mission & Service Committee



Tecumseh United Church
~ *An Affirming Congregation* ~
Sunday, December 4th, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.
2nd 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:

(One candle is lit).

Today is the Advent of peace. As we light this candle, we remember all who live in the midst of conflict, in their own homes, in their communities, in their countries, anywhere in the world.

We live in a fractured world of racial tensions and economic disparity.

We light this candle as our commitment to embracing diversity.

We are the peacemakers in this world.

We light this candle to herald the coming of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

The lighting of the Advent Candle of Peace

Candle-lighting Hymn # 6 "A Candle is Burning" verse 2

(Please remain seated)

Call to Worship:

We await the one who shall come from the shoot of Jesse.

The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.

We await the one who comes in the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

With righteousness he shall judge those impoverished and decide equitably for those who are oppressed.

We await the one who comes in peace and hope.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

****Hymn # 20 "On Jordan's Bank"***

Opening Prayer:

God of Peace, we gather here to continue the journey of Advent, a journey that takes us to the manger and beyond. We journey in a world where too often the shadows are getting closer. Around us, we continue to hear the clamour of war and the rattling of sabres, and too often, peace seems to be a distant dream.

O God, we pray for your peace, not just the peace that is the absence of war, but the peace that will lead to your kingdom.

We long for the peace revealed through your son, who witnesses to your kingdom coming not through the sword, but through healing those who are sick, feeding those who are hungry, and reaching out to those who feel lost & alone. May this vision of peace fill us today, so together we will be agents of God's peace in the world. Amen.

****Hymn MV 221 "I Am Walking a Path of Peace"***

Children's Time / Lord's Prayer

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

We Listen to God's Word

Scripture Reading: Romans 15:4-13, Matthew 3:1-12

****Hymn MV # 152 You Who Watch the Highest Heavens'***

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 # 48 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"***

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 Karen Devries for reading and to the UCW for hosting Coffee Hour today.

Volunteers are needed for "Lotto Snow" Please see sign-up sheet in the entry. Also needed are Coffee Hour hosts.

Happy Birthday this coming week to Beth Hebert, Annabelle Symons and John Laken.

UCW Candlelight Communion Service and Potluck Lunch -Tuesday, December 6th at 1 pm. We'll be drawing the winner of our Quilt Raffle!!!

The United Church of Canada developed the giving catalogue called ***Gifts with Vision*** which presents a new way to celebrate special occasions. Give a gift that can help change people's lives!
Please take one from the entry table.

A NOTE FROM the Finance Committee:

Come January and church receipt time, those who have been receiving their Newsletters by email will also get their receipts by this method. Anyone not wanting this should let us know by calling the office or by email at finanance@tecumsehunited. New Givings Envelopes are on their way as well!

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