

“Tweeeener Sunday ... in between Thanksgiving and Advent ...  
but --- “no left-overs here”!! (well, maybe just a few)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2017

**Very honored to have you here ... on this “in between” Sunday.  
Hope you get a bit of nourishment for your soul!!**

We sure do enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit goofy and noisy ... we as you please to respect the sanctity of our worship experience, and the comfort of your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under. Our highly paid, over-achieving, and moderately festive staff is always anxious to care for your children. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery and introduce yourself to the attendants. We have some “wonderful” holiday coffee in Charter Hall (at least, in Don’s opinion) ... welcome to all.

maybe an announcement or two??

#### OPENING PRAYER

I hope I can keep it a little bit simple this time of the year.  
Easier said than done.

I think of all the unrest in the world..... and then I think of the peace and goodness and humility of Jesus’ message.

I want to hold onto that. I don’t want to lose it ... in the frantic pace of what the next four weeks can bring. I don’t want schedules and deadlines to define my Christmas journey.

Help me, Lord (even tho’ it is my job!!) ... to slow down ... to keep in touch with the spiritual side of giving.

My time. My attitude. My perspective. Putting others first.  
Listening more. Sharing. Walking with gentleness and kindness in the steps I take and the words I say.

May I walk ... patiently and humbly ... in the sandals of your son.

Maybe a limp, instead of a walk ..... but at least I’ll be moving in the right direction.

Thank-you, Lord ----- amen.

opening song

“I know that my redeemer lives” 619 (vv. 1,2,3, 5, 8)

the liturgy ... page 138

“This is the feast” page 140

readings for the day

\*1<sup>st</sup> reading \*the psalm \*2<sup>nd</sup> reading

please rise for the gospel ... “alleluia” page 142

“will my younger friends come forward?”  
kids’ time

song

“Thy holy wings” 613

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory

“holy, holy, holy” page 144

choir anthem: “Thankful” 8:30

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper

“Lamb of God” page 146

Communion songs: 614, 628, 656, 685

“alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia”

closing song

“This little light of mine” 677

benediction and three-fold “amen”

**THE ETERNAL LIGHT shines brightly this morning ...**

*from Elinor Lalick, in loving memory of her beloved sister, Doris Kunz ... on the anniversary of her passing 2 years ago.*

## **A FEW HOLIDAY REMINDERS**

THIS EVENING, 5:30 ---- HOLIDAY CONCERT by Doug's  
"big band" ... a few tickets left. \$15 for the concert and refreshments.  
A great way to begin our Advent season!!

Monday: \*Confirmation Class, 7:15 – 8:30

Tuesday: \*Stitch and Sew, 6:30

Wednesday: \*Container workshop at Melka's Garden Center

Thursday: Evening worship, 7:30

SATURDAY: Decorate the church for the holiday, 9:00 AM

Please sign-up if you'd like to help us.

Next Sunday is the first Sunday in Advent ...

\*\*You can begin signing up to donate a poinsettia plant. As you sign-up, they will be delivered. \$25 ... and let us know if you'd like your plant in honor of and/or in memory of someone special.

\*\*OUR CHRISTMAS OUTREACH IS UNDERWAY. You can adopt an individual (please leave one form with us, and check-out the instructions) ... and/or make a financial contribution .... since we buy food and provide extra cash to all the families. This year we are adopting 6 of the group homes from St. Coletta's.

\*\*YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS DINNER ... Monday, September 11, 6:00 at Papa Joe's ... only \$10 (we cover the rest) ... for youth groupers and sponsors. Please rsvp.

\*\*GIFT WRAPPING FOR OUR OUTREACH FAMILIES ... 10 am on Wednesday, Dec. 13 ... we could use some volunteers.

ADVENT SUPPERS ARE Thursdays, Dec. 7,14, 21 .... 6:30 before worship. Please rsvp ... so nice dining around our Christmas tree.

\*\*Donations for Operation Gratitude ... the table is just outside the gym, along with some Christmas "goodies" you can have if you'd like!