



The people that walked in
darkness have seen a great light.

Isaiah 9:2



Hope

First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2023 @ 10am

Welcome and Announcements

- Baptism** We welcome into Baptism
Harper Nicole Follings
- Opening:** My Lord He Is A Comin' Soon
Crown Him
The First Noel
- Prayer:** Light of the world
- Message:** Rev. Dr. Aubrey Botha
Sermon Series: Stay C.A.L.M.
Keep C.A.L.M.
Scripture:
Philippians 4:8
- Offering**
- Communion** **Here O my Lord**
- Closing:** Oh what a glorious night
- Greeters:** Pat Couttie,
Kevin and Sue Sullivan

*We are so glad you are here.
We are a Jesus church, where everyone is welcome,
where no-one is perfect and everyone is loved.*

*Join us for fellowship and refreshments
in the hall after service.*

OUR "MITTEN TREE" for KIDS



A Christmas "Mitten Tree" will be at the back of the sanctuary beginning November 26. We are collecting donations of mittens, hats, scarves, and other winter apparel for children in need in our community. The Cambridge Food Bank will happily receive and distribute both newly purchased and "home-made" items. If you would like us to do the shopping, we will provide labelled envelopes for the "Mitten Tree" on the small table at the entrance, to make any donations.

You can also donate via e-transfer to the church office.

Please help us fill the tree as **we collect through the month of December!**

Thank you for all your generosity for helping those in need!

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

FOR RACHEL'S HOME

On Dec. 10 at the Family Service, we will be hanging Christmas stockings on the pews, to ask for donations for the orphanage and

school at Rachel's Home in Lesotho. At Christmas we hope to provide a full nutritious Christmas meal for the orphans and a gift of some clothing item that is critically needed.



WHITE GIFT SUNDAY DECEMBER 10

White Gift Sunday has its origins in a Methodist Church in Ohio around the year 1904. There the idea began to give gifts wrapped in white paper to people in need at Christmas. Gifts were given anonymously so that no one would make comparisons on the value of the gifts. Everyone could share in the gift giving and all gifts were appreciated equally.



This year we are supporting the Cambridge Self Help Food Bank, specifically "seniors in need" in our community. This is a group that is often overlooked – many are alone, living on very little for food, rent, clothing, medical and other needs.

Some suggestions for gifts are toiletries such as hand lotion and shaving cream, gloves, hats, scarves, slippers, socks and other clothing items, chocolates/candy.

Gifts may be unwrapped or if wrapped, please indicate male (M) or female (F). If you would like us to do the shopping, we will provide labelled envelopes for "White Gift Sunday". For many seniors this will be the only gift they receive, and it is a wonderful way to show God's love in our community.

Communion this morning: We are going to try something new this morning for communion. Elders will be distributing the wine glasses as you are seated before the service. There are holders for the glasses on all the pews. The wine trays are heavy and it can be difficult to pass them along. The bread will be distributed as usual.

This Week at Central

Monday	7.00pm	Session Management
Tuesday	2.30pm	Prayer Group
	7.00pm	Praise Team
Wednesday	7.00pm	Session & Board
Thursday	7.00pm	Choir
	7.00pm	Junior Youth
Friday	7.00pm	Senior Youth
Sunday	10.00am	Sunday Service & Kids Zone
	7.00pm	Galt Kilti Band

Upcoming

December 13	2.00pm	Hymn Sing
December 16	9.00am	Flower Guild
December 24	6.00pm	Candlelight Service

The Flower Guild is meeting for coffee and to complete decorating for Christmas on Friday December 16, @ 9:30 am until noon in the church hall. All are welcome to join.



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Online Bulletin

Our Weekly Bulletin is available online in a mobile friendly format.

Our online bulletin includes:

- Order of Service
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