

First Sunday of Advent Communion Sunday Service November 30th, 2025 @ 10am

Announcements

Choir: Prepare the way (lighting of the candle)

Opening: Angels from the realms of glory

Communion

Prayer: Goodness of God

Message: Rev. Dr. Aubrey Botha

Series: Advent 2025

Sermon: This little light of mine. **Scripture:** Isaiah 8:22-9:2, 6-7

Offering

Communion: The table

Closing: Joy to the world

Postlude: Do you hear what I hear

Greeters: Denise McClellan, Bonnie McCrae,

Beverley Nykamp.

Kids Zone will leave after the announcements for the Christmas Program practice.

2026 Contribution envelopes are available for collection in the sanctuary today.

To facilitate our preparations for Christmas Pot Luck this evening, please join us for fellowship & refreshments in the sanctuary this morning after service.



This Week at Central		
Tuesday	2:30pm	Prayer Group
	7:00pm	Praise Team
Thursday	6:15pm	Alpha
	7:00pm	Choir
Friday	10:00am	Women's Bile Study Advent Celebration
	7:30pm	KW Symphony
Sunday	10:00am	Sunday Service & Kids Zone
Upcoming Events @ Central		
Dec 10	2:00pm	Christmas Hymn Sing Cafe
Dec 11	9:30am	Flower Guild Final Preparations
Dec 14		White Gift Sunday
Dec 21	10:30am	Christmas Pageant
Dec 24	6:00pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight service

Today is our *Annual Christmas Potluck and Carol Sing* at 6pm.

Sign up closes at end of service today.

Help with set up would be much appreciated.

Women's Bible Study - Advent celebration

Everyone is welcome to join in an advent celebration on Friday, Dec. 5th, from 10-11:30am in the hall. Please bring a nut-free snack to share, and join in this time of fellowship as we begin the journey towards Christmas. Also, stay tuned! Women's Bible Study will resume in the new year on Friday mornings!

Christmas Hymn Sing Cafe!

Join us on December 10 for our Christmas Hymn Sing Cafe @ 2pm in the sanctuary. We welcome our special guests, *The David Durward Bell Ringers*, Katherine Rochester will be playing our organ, and Elizabeth Cresswell will lead us in singing many of our favourite carols. Refreshments will follow.

<u>Vacancy:</u> Central Church, Cambridge is accepting applications to fill the part-time Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator position (20 hours per week) until Nov. 30.

Applications and job description enquires to office@cpcmail.ca

<u>Kids Zone</u> Sunday School is looking for volunteers. Please email Elsie or Elrey childrensfamilyministry@cpcmail.ca

JK and SK - room next to nursery, Gr 1 - 3 - room across from the minister's office and Gr 4 - 6 - parlour.



WHITE GIFT SUNDAY DECEMBER 14

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.

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS FOR RACHEL'S HOME

On Dec. 21at the Pageant 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.

OUR "MITTEN TREE" for KIDS



A Christmas "Mitten Tree" will be at the back of the sanctuary beginning November 30. 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!



Item of the Month for the Food Bank

The item of the month for December is Canned Meats

Our collection baskets are located at the back of the sanctuary.

OUR TEAM

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Submissions for the bulletin to be received by the office before 10 am Wednesdays.

ONLINE SERVICES

https://www.centralchurchcambridge.ca https://www.youtube.com/c/CentralchurchcambridgeCa https://www.facebook.com/centralchurch

Public Office Hours
Tuesdays & Thursdays 9.30-12.30pm

ONLINE BULLETIN

Our Weekly Bulletin is available online in mobile friendly format.

Our online bulletin includes:

- Order of service
- What's happening this week
- Announcements
- Other Links

