

# WEEKLY NEWS ~ ~ NOVEMBER 25, 2022

**COVID 19 MASKING FOR WEEK BEGINNING**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2022:**

**OPTIONAL**

## **38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GIRL SCOUT TREE OF JOY SERVICE PROJECT**



The Girl Scout Tree of Joy Service Project was started in 1983 by a troop of 6<sup>th</sup> graders. It has grown over the past 39 years, with thousands of gifts having been distributed to agencies in our area. Most are given for Christmas, but some agencies save them for needs throughout the year.

Again, this year there will be a Tree of Joy annex tree in the Narthex starting Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup>. It will have tags with names and gift ideas from the Girl Scout tree Service Project in Pony Village Mall. You can still go to the mall and pick tags from the main tree, or if you prefer, for your convenience you can take tags from the annex tree, and return the presents to the church, or under the tree in the Pony Village Mall. If you are returning the gifts to the church, please have the gifts back by December 15<sup>th</sup>. If you prefer to simply make a donation and have Girl Scout elves shop for gifts, make a check out to Gloria Dei and on the memo, line write Tree of Joy and give it to Barbara in the church office. The Girl Scouts donates these gifts to many different agencies in Coos County, helping everyone from children to seniors. Any questions, contact Debbie Cox at 756-2250.

## **Advent Breakfast**

Faith Lutheran Church is holding an Advent Breakfast on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 at 9 a.m. Breakfast will be an Egg Casserole, Fruit, and pastry. Tickets are \$7.50, tickets will be on sale 11/20 and 11/27 at Faith or call Faith Office Monday-Friday 8-12.

## **ADVENT WORSHIP**

Our Advent Midweek Service returns on Wednesdays starting November 30, 2022! Worship using the Holden Evening Prayer service begins at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Choir will meet at 7 pm for the duration of Advent to provide time for Soup Supper and Worship.

## **FIREWOOD AVAILABLE!**

Gloria Dei's Firewood Ministry is alive and well! There is about a cord and a half of dry firewood available. If you or someone you know is in NEED of firewood, please contact the church office. The firewood is free with free delivery.

*Like to sing? Join Choir!*

*Choir meets Wednesday at 6:30 pm and comes in at 9:30 am on Sunday to prepare for the service.*

*Advent is a great time to try choir—come for worship, stay for choir practice*

*(at 7 pm during Advent)!*

**GREETERS, READERS, USHERS, AND FLOWERS NEEDED!**

Sign up sheets from October through the end of the year are available in the Narthex. We need greeters, readers, ushers, and flowers! Please sign up to help as you are able!

**REMINDER!**

**As the days get cooler, please remember to turn down the heat if you turn it up! Also, please double and triple check to make sure the doors are shut properly and locked behind you when you leave the building!**



**Public response period: social message on climate care.** A draft of the ELCA's forthcoming social message on climate change and how we are called to respond has been posted, and the public comment period is open through Friday, Dec. 2. The draft will be edited in response to your feedback and brought to the ELCA Church Council for a vote this spring. To read the draft and provide your input through our online form, go to [elca.org/climatecare](http://elca.org/climatecare).

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 45 in person, 18 online**



**STEWARDSHIP IS...WAITING!**

*In Advent, we wait for the coming of our Lord!*