

The Holy Eucharist

RITE II

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Reunion and Farewell to Space

December 22nd, 2024 • 10am



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
UNIVERSITY DISTRICT + SEATTLE, WA

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH!

We are so glad you are here. If this is your first time worshipping at Christ Church, we are especially delighted by your presence. Your hopes, dreams, fears, and mess are all welcome in this space.

If you would like to know more about Christ Church, please fill out one of the newcomer cards in your pew and place it in the plate at the offering or hand it to an usher. You may also fill out the form online using the QR code in your pew. We look forward to getting to know you.

Children

We are a community for all ages, and children are especially welcome to run around, play, and cry in the sanctuary during the worship service. There is a corner on the north side (on your left if facing the altar) with toys and books, and all are welcome to use it. We hope you and your children feel welcome and comfortable here.

Nursery care for children up to four years old is available downstairs during the service. It is a bit confusing to find the nursery, so please ask a greeter to accompany you!

Children's safety is of total importance. Each adult working with children has passed a background check and completed mandatory safety training. No child is ever left alone with an adult.

Covid Practices

Masks are required and available at the door.

Why are we still masking?

1. Because Covid, among other airborne viruses, is still killing and disabling people, and it is preventable. Most of us will never meet the people whose lives are destroyed by careless spreading of disease in public, but that does not mean we should not protect them. Jesus taught us to heal, not to make people sick.
2. Because masking is a form of access. Masking is necessary for people whose immune systems are compromised or vulnerable: people with cancer, people with transplants, people with autoimmune diseases, pregnant people, the elderly, and babies who are not old enough to be vaccinated. We do not believe only the able-bodied should be able to attend worship safely.
3. Because we are a sacrificial tradition. Jesus died on the cross for the liberation and salvation of all, and asked us to lay down our lives for our friends. If an hour or two of mild discomfort allows all people to participate, and prevents the death and disabling of the most vulnerable in our society, then we cheerfully and wholeheartedly invite that discomfort.

Questions may be directed to Rev. Shelly: revshellyfayette@gmail.com

Air Movement and Filtration: We have upgraded our HVAC system to provide significantly increased air circulation. Additionally we have added HEPA-level filtration as well as UV scrubbers that sanitize the air in the sanctuary.

Testing for Preacher: The only person who will remove their mask during the service will be the preacher. The sermon is the portion of the service where there is no written and visual corollary. So, it is important for people to be able to hear the preacher clearly and lip reading is essential for many. The preacher will take two rapid antigen tests, 48 hours apart, before the service.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Improvisation on *O come, O come Emmanuel* performed by Seth Voelker

All rise in Body or Spirit.

Opening Hymn Lord, you give the great commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the
2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my
4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther,
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing; "I am

sick and preach the word." Lest the church ne -
name bap - tize and teach." That the world may
bod - y, this my blood." Let us all, for
what they do, for - give." Yet we hoard as
with you to the end." Faith and hope and

glect its mis - sion, and the gos - pel go un -
trust your prom - ise, life a - bun - dant meant for
earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly lift life heav - en -
pri - vate trea - sure all that you so free - ly
love re - stor - ing, may we serve as you in -

heard, help us wit - ness to your pur - pose
 each, give us all new fer - vor, draw us
 ward, ask - ing that the world a - round us
 give. May your care and mer - cy lead us
 tend and, a - mid the cares that claim us,

Refrain

with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty.
 clos - er in com - mun - i - ty.
 share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty. } With the Spir - it's
 to a just so - ci - e - ty.
 hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty.

gifts em - power us for the work of min - is - try.

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The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The four candles on the Advent Wreath are lit. An individual is invited forward to light the candles and say:

Today we light the fourth candle - the candle of love. There is no greater power than love. It is stronger than rulers and empires, stronger than grief or despair, stronger than even death. We love, because God loves us.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Gospel

Luke 1:39-55

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

And Mary said,

“My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;

for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;

he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,

according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

BLESSING OF THE SPACE

The people are invited to process with the ministers around the church, to thank and bless. If you remain in your pews, please respond with gusto.

Aisle and Font

Presider We walk this aisle as many have walked it: to their baptisms, their confirmations, and their marriage vows. We honor this font, as its water has made countless saints of God. These are our ancestors, who support us now.

Presider We bless this holy ground, and we thank it.

Presider We bless this holy font, and we thank it.

People **We thank this holy ground, and we bless it.**

People **We thank this holy font, and we bless it.**

A story is offered from the people.



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-tial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.

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The Pulpit

Presider We honor this pulpit for holding words of wisdom, words of consolation, and words of hope. We are grateful for the gift of Scripture and its interpretation.

Presider We bless this pulpit, and we thank it.

People **We bless this pulpit, and we thank it.**

A story is offered from the people.

The Choir Pews and the Organ

Presider We honor these choir stalls, the place where many people offered their best prayers in song. We thank you for the joy of hymns, of the resounding organ, and of the musicians who blessed us with care and instruction.

Presider We bless these pews, and we thank them.

Presider We bless this instrument, and we thank it.

People **We bless these pews, and we thank them.**

People **We bless this instrument, and we thank it.**

A story is offered from the people.



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, _____
 2 They loved their Lord so _____ dear, so dear, and _____
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who _____ toiled and _____ fought and _____
 his love _____ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for _____
 hund - reds of thou - sands still, the _____ world is _____ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And _____
 Je - sus' sake, the _____ whole of their good lives long. And _____
 joy - ous saints who _____ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
 one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was _____ slain
 meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the _____ green: they were all of them saints of _____
 by a fierce wild _____ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of _____ God are just



God - and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
 no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.
 folk like _____ me, and I mean to be one too.

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The Marble and the Aumbry

Presider We honor these most precious places that held Christ's own Body and Blood. So many feasted here and went out into the world to be the heart of Christ. We are grateful for each person who had the exquisite privilege of serving God on God's altar.

Presider We bless this altar, and we thank it.

Presider We bless this aumbry, and we thank it.

People **We bless this altar, and we thank it.**

People **We bless this aumbry, and we thank it.**

A story is offered from the people.

The Altar

Presider We are so thankful of the gift of the holy feast. We bring everything broken and whole within us to be transformed at the altar, and to be reunited in full communion with God and each other. Jesus eats with us here, and offers himself fully to us.

Presider We bless this altar, and we thank it.

People **We bless this altar, and we thank it.**

A story is offered from the people.

Hymn

O love, how deep, how broad

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his

1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and

1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.

Words: Latin, 15th cent., tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt.; Music: *Deus tuorum militum* from *Antiphoner*, 1753, adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt., harm. after Basil Harwood (1859-1949). Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-726093. All rights reserved.

The Entire Space

Presider We stand in profound gratitude for the beauty and joy of this room. We have brought our greatest joys and worst sorrows to this space, and it has held us. God has moved here. God spoke to us here.

Stories are offered from the people.

Presider Let us take a moment to hold all our stories in our hearts in silence.

Silence.

Presider We treasure these memories, and we trust that what blooms here will also be beautiful, and rich, and to the glory of God.

Presider We release this space with clear hearts, and we welcome the new.

People **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

The people return to their seats as they sing.



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700, versified Mary E. Byrne (1880-1931), tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt.; Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody, adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927, harm. David Evans (1874-1948), by permission of Oxford University Press. Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-726093. All rights reserved.

The Peace

Presider The peace of God be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

Presider But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:14-15*

Christ Church exists because of all our offerings - time, labor, money, prayer, creativity, kindness. At this time, you are invited, not pressured, to make a financial offering to support our vision, and as an act of gratitude for God's abundance in your life. Your one-time, weekly, or annual gift to us funds our street ministries, allows our staff to grow, bolsters our discipleship and formation, and keeps the lights on. You may donate online at christchurchseattle.org, clicking the donate button. You can also mail your gift to Christ Church at 4548 Brooklyn Ave NE, Seattle, WA, 98105. You can also donate via text; text the amount you wish to give (5, 10, etc.) to 206-222-7262. Thank you. We are grateful for your generosity.

*On special occasions during the church year, we hold a Designated Offering for organizations and ministries that align with our missions and values. For Christmas this year, we will be collecting a Designated Offering for **ROOTS Young Adult Shelter**. More information about this organization and ways to donate can be found at the back of this bulletin.*

All rise in Body or Spirit as gifts are brought forward.

Eucharistic Prayer

The musical notation consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is labeled 'Presider' and the second and third are labeled 'Congregation'. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise.'

Presider

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundation of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, — God of power and might, — heaven and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes —
in the name of the Lord. — Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Presider

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.” And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

All

**Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

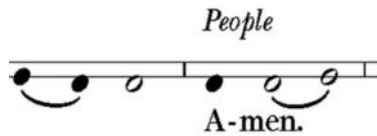
Presider

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

All

Blessed are you now and forever.



The Lord's Prayer

Presider

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

People

Have mercy on us.

Presider

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

People

Have mercy on us.

Presider

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

People

Grant us peace.

Communion

Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation:

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy things for holy people.


All are welcome at God's table. All are welcome to receive Communion. You may choose to either stand at the altar rail or kneel. The priest will place a piece of bread in your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available; let the priest know. A Eucharistic minister will present the cup, please carefully guide it to your lips.

For reasons of public health, please do not dip the bread into the wine. If you do not wish to partake of the common cup, know that the totality of Jesus is fully present in both the bread and wine. When we receive only bread we are still receiving complete communion.

If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to the rail, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing from the priest. You may also remain reverently in your seat.



1 A - bide with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2 I need thy pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 3 I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 4 Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing eyes;



the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a - bide:
 what but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, and tears no bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;



when o - ther help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 Who, like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy vic - to - ry?
 heaven's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain sha - dows flee;



help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, Lord, a - bide with me.
 I tri - umph still, if thou a - bide with me.
 in life, in death, O Lord, a - bide with me.

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All rise in Body or Spirit.

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider Let us pray.

People

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries.
that we are living members of the Body of Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

HYFRYDOL

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.

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Daily Bread

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHURCH

Sunday, December 22, 2024 - The Fourth Sunday of Advent - Reunion and Farewell to Space

8:45am - Sunday Morning Pick-Up Choir
10:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite II
Social Hour for Heidi Hansen following the service
11:30am - Street Chaplaincy

The church office will be closed Dec. 23-Jan. 1.
Normal office hours will resume after the New Years holiday.

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 - Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

7:00pm - Holy Eucharist Rite II - The Rev. Shelly Fayette, *presiding and preaching*

Wednesday, December 25, 2024 - Christmas Morning Service

10:00am - Holy Eucharist Rite II - The Rev. Shelly Fayette, *presiding and preaching* (pajamas and fancy dress welcome)

Sunday, December 29, 2024 - The First Sunday After Christmas

10:00am - Morning Prayer Rite II - Danielle Hope, *presiding*
11:30am - Street Chaplaincy

Social Hour for Heidi Hansen - Sunday, December 22 following the service

After today's special reunion service, we will be holding a festive social hour to continue the celebration and reflection of the space's impact and history following the service. All who have been connected to Christ Church are invited to come and honor what this space has meant to us, celebrate its future, and honor the work of our Director of Children and Youth Heidi Hansen.

Street Chaplaincy

Help give comfort to our unhoused neighbors!

Street Chaplaincy is a ministry that walks around with basic supplies and snacks for our unhoused neighbors around the University District after church services every Sunday, rain or shine.

Come walk with us today and discover how this ministry unfolds each Sunday. We meet in Wilson Hall at about 11:30am and walk the neighborhood from noon to 1:30pm. We'd love to show you more about this important work.

If you would like to volunteer to help with street chaplaincy, use the following link:
<https://tinyurl.com/CEC-street>

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**Christmas Designated Offering - ROOTS Young Adult Shelter
December 24 and 25, 2024**

On special Sundays during the church year, we collect donations to support other organizations. Designated Offerings are a chance for our church community to recognize and support organizations that are aligned with our values and mission, and all funds collected go directly to the organization we are supporting. For our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services we will be collecting an offering to support ROOTS Young Adult Shelter.

ROOTS helps young adults aged 18-25 who are experiencing housing instability here in the U District by providing safe, overnight shelter and essential resources while also helping them find housing. Their programs and services include on-site case management, hot meals, and a weekly health clinic. More information can be found at <https://rootsinfo.org/>

Donate Online:

You can make your donation online by Zelle, PayPal, or Venmo at <https://www.christchurchseattle.org/donate>

Please indicate that your donation is for the ROOTS Christmas Designated Offering. If your Zelle, PayPal, or Venmo won't let you add a memo, please email office@christchurchseattle.org to let us know your donation is for the designated offering.

Donate In Person or by Mail:

Checks should be made out to Christ Episcopal Church and include the memo: ROOTS Christmas Designated Offering. If you are not attending the service, you can mail your check to: Christ Episcopal Church, 4548 Brooklyn Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98105. Cash donations can be put in the plate, using an envelope available in the pews and at the back of the church. Please include your name and address as well as ROOTS Christmas Designated Offering on the envelope.

**Work Party
Saturday, 12/28, 10am-4pm**

In preparation for our remodel in January, we need to move lots of things for safekeeping. Please join us for any amount of time you can give on December 28. Many hands make light work! Snacks and pizza will be provided.

Update on Renovation as of 12/19

We are getting closer to the start of construction!

Of course, as with any huge project, there are some uncertainties about the schedule, and at the moment there are still many small tasks to accomplish. It is probable that—despite our best efforts—not every detail will unfold as smoothly as we would like. It is possible that construction will not actually start at the crack of dawn on January 6. Nevertheless, we want to be prepared and not create any obstacles for the construction workers.

In addition to the work party on December 28, you may see other preparations. The old organ console and the exposed organ pipes will be removed on December 27, 30, and 31. The altar will be relocated shortly after that. Shelly has assured us that because the changes are temporary, the church does not need to be deconsecrated. Still, we will need to get used to people making noise and sawdust in our holy spaces for a few months.

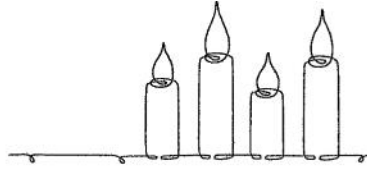
Giveaways: kitchen appliances, loveseat, and pews!

The renovation will create a new, expanded kitchen, and it will be equipped with plumbing and appliances that are compatible with Seattle Public Health Food Service Permit requirements. Consequently, the old appliances in the existing Church House kitchen will need to find new homes. These are all General Electric machines in working order: a refrigerator, a dishwasher, and a combination oven-stove-microwave. If you're curious, take a peek the next time you are in the building.

The adjacent room (former library) contains a black loveseat that will no longer be needed.

Because the remodeled sanctuary will be furnished with individual chairs, the pews will be donated to a salvage organization. But you are welcome to bring one home! We believe that they are solid oak (not veneer), and they are heavy. There are a handful of short pews (34 inches tall, 22 inches deep, and 72 inches long). There is one 88-inch long pew, and plenty of 130-inch (almost 11 feet) pews.

These freebies are available to anyone, not just parishioners, so feel free to share this information with friends who might be looking for a new dishwasher or a slab of oak. If you would like to claim one (or more) of these items, you would need to arrange your own labor and transportation, and the items would need to be out of the building by January 6.



Advent at Christ Church 2024

honoring ancestors of the faith, at home and in the lineage

December 1, 10am - Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Rev. Shelly Fayette preaching and presiding

Social Hour and Forum following the service

December 8, 10am - St. Hildegard of Bingen

The Rev. Danae Ashley preaching and presiding

Forum following the service, The Rev. Danae Ashley presenting

December 15, 10am - St. Julian of Norwich

Danielle Hope preaching, The Rev. Shelly Fayette presiding

Forum following the service, Danielle Hope presenting

December 22, 10am - Christ Church Reunion and Farewell to this Space

Social Hour following the service honoring Heidi Hansen



Christmas at Christ Church 2024

welcoming birth and rebirth

December 24, 7pm - Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

The Rev. Shelly Fayette, preaching and presiding

December 25, 10am - Christmas Morning Eucharist (pajamas and fancy dress welcome)

The Rev. Shelly Fayette, preaching and presiding

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