

## WEEKDAY WORDS

Reaching out to you from Homer Congregational United Church of Christ  
Thursday, December 10, 2020

### THIS SUNDAY

9:45 Anchor people, musicians and stage hands gather for final preparation.

10:30 **Advent 3 worship ~ Christmas Pageant**

The Dentes family will light the Candle of Joy. Forty people from our family of faith will participate in the Christmas Pageant bringing *Good News for All People*. If you cannot attend in person, find a link to the service at [www.homercc.com](http://www.homercc.com)

This Sunday is our final collection for December gift boxes from the Homer Food Pantry. We can still receive your food donations and gifts of hats, gloves and mittens for our **Mitten Tree**.

### COMMITTEE UPDATES

From our **Deacons** who met on Tuesday:

- It was reported that pledges for 2021 are currently \$2,000 off the total pledges for 2020. This was good news for our ministry.
- Our Christmas Eve opportunities:
  - A VIRTUAL service will be available to share with your family. Join us as the Christ Candle is lit. The service will include special music, a re-telling of the story of Jesus' birth and candle light. You are encouraged to light your own candles at home.
  - 7:00 PM – on the green in front of the church – Bring your own candle to light; wear a mask and keep appropriate distance. We will hear a portion of the Christmas story and then we will light candles and sing Silent Night. A gift will be available for the children ages 10 and under. Bundle up for this 15-minute outdoor gathering.
- The sanctuary of Middle Collegiate Church in NYC was gutted by fire this past weekend. Wishing to “pay forward” the support we received when our own sanctuary suffered a fire, we voted to send a \$500 gift to this sister-church in our denomination.

### COMING UP

**TODAY** – next Thursday

4:30 Lighting the candles on the Menorah – a multi-faith gathering on the green.  
Monday  
5:00 Centering Prayer  
Tuesday  
6:30 Trustees Zoom

Sunday, December 20 **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

9:30 Christmas Pageant Emmys via Zoom!  
10:30 Worship – in person & live-streamed – as we light the candle of Love.  
Our choir will offer another marvelous gift of music.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! ANNUAL MEETING IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.**  
Please submit your written reports for the booklet by the end of December.