



First Congregational United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming, Just Peace,
Multiracial/Multicultural Congregation

Worshiping Sundays 1:00 PM at 4th & E Streets, NW., Washington, DC

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The Weekly Email Newsletter for Sunday December 4, 2011

This Sunday Highlights:

Sermon Title: "Prepare a Place of Peace"

Advent Nurtures for Adults

Advent-ures for children



This year's Advent theme invites us to prepare room for Christ in our hearts and the world – also as we prepare to return to 10th and G for Christmas Eve and Sunday, January 8.

Make a special effort to be part of this historic season in the life of First Church.

This Weekend

Saturday, December 3

10:00am – Christian Education

Sunday, December 4

12:00pm - Bible Workbench

1:00pm - Worship Service & Communion

Preaching: Sid Fowler

2:00pm - Fellowship Hour – Hosts: Marie Rietmann, Cindy Mazur, Joe Alfred, Peter Byrne

2:30pm - Advent Nurture: What gift can you bring?

Advent Taize Service

Wednesday, December 14 at 6:30 pm

This inspirational service will be a special opportunity to go "counter-cultural" instead of going with the flow of the busy Christmas season. It will be a time to step out of the madding crowd and increasing chaos and into a place of meditative quiet. This service will employ special music, readings, and silence to help us be still, listen for God who is still speaking. Come, join us, and enlarge the God-shaped place in each of us.

Preview

Monday, December 5

7:00 pm – Social Action

Thursday, December 8

7:30pm - Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, December 11

12:00pm - Bible Workbench

1:00pm - Worship Service

Preaching: John Deckenback

2:00pm - Fellowship Hour – Hosts: Dale Ostrander, Meg Maguire, Amy & Lloyd Dugan

2:30pm - Advent Nurture: What gift can you bring?

SECRET SANTA PROGRAM

WITH SHAW COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

We have fifteen names of children who suggested gift items which can be dropped off at Trinity no later than Dec. 11. All gifts should be purchased, wrapped, and labeled with the child's name. Gift cards are always welcome! \$50 maximum expense. For more information, contact Bonnie Hardy at

barbra.bhnotes@gmail.com



December 18 Coffee Hour Hosts:

Fredda Sparks, Karen Pence, Peter Tracey, Sandy Sorensen

**FIRST WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10TH AND G
CHRISTMAS EVE – A CANDLE- LIGHT JOURNEY TO THE MANGER**

Saturday, December 24, 7:00 p.m. at 945 G Street, NW