

Jesus said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" Matthew 22:37-39

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. 1 Corinthians 13:1

"Love does no wrong to a neighbor. Love, therefore, is the fulfillment of the Law. Romans 13:10

And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world, we are like Jesus. 1 John 4:16-17

Helpful Ways to Love Others:

- Love Intentionally
- Live A Generous Lifestyle
- Serve
- Invite Family, Friends, Co-Workers to Church
- Forgive and Reconcile



### **Our ministry highlight for the week is The Door!**

Mission Statement: To facilitate life-transitions for at-risk youth in the Fairbanks and greater interior Alaska community.

Contact: Marylee Bates 907.374.5678

### **Items needed: Heavy winter gloves and socks**

**\*Items can be dropped off in the church foyer today and in the church office throughout the week!**

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**Christmas Eve Services: December 24th // 9 am & 11 am**

**Candlelight Services: December 24th // 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm**

We hope you will come and join us for our regular morning services followed by an evening filled with worship and reflection on what the Christmas season is all about!

### **Angel Tree**

The Friends Church Angel Tree is up now in the church foyer! Grab a tag and return it securely attached to unwrapped gifts to the church office by December 15th. Thank you!

### **Kiddos Casting Call!**

Do you have a child in K-5th grade that would like to play an angel in our Christmas skit? Sign them up by checking the box on your communication card or by visiting the Advent page on our website and someone will be in touch with you!

### **Friends of Partners Christmas Shopping Sale**

Check out their table to support Thailand missions in the foyer today after both services!

### **GGF Christmas Party & Gift Exchange**

**December 8th // 7 PM // Coffee Shop**

Bring a gift worth \$20 and enjoy fun & fellowship with the women of Friends Church! Questions? Contact Marnie 907.388.3943.

### **Middle School Lock In**

**Friday, December 15th at 7 PM-Saturday, December 16th at 7 AM**

If you have a student in 6th-8th grade then we would love to have them join us for this awesome night of fun! Registration is available in the foyer or online at [www.friendschurch.org](http://www.friendschurch.org).



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Weekly Budget: \$15,000

Weekly Giving: \$12,828

## Advent – Love

Gregg Heminger

Do You Have Any Room For Jesus?

*And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. This census first took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. So all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife who was with child. So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Luke 2:1-7*

God's Promises Are True

*“And now, O Lord God, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant. Now therefore, let it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue before You forever; for You, O Lord God, have spoken it, and with Your blessing let the house of Your servant be blessed forever.” 2 Samuel 7:28-29*

Am I Keeping My Love On?

God loves us and we love Him back – Check!

*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. Deuteronomy 6:5*

Jesus love us and we love Him back – Check!

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16*

How Am I Doing With Loving Others?

(Circle One): 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

*For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 1 John 3:11*

*And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. 1 Corinthians 13:3*



Advent:

Love  
December 3rd