

Give Gifts of Hope, Peace, Love and Joy

Nov. 30 - Dec. 14 **Write Christmas Cards for Women at Hiland Correctional Center** We hope to send 250 Christmas cards to the women at Hiland this year. You can either stop by the table in the narthex and write a note of encouragement in the cards provided or bring your own completed cards from home.

Nov. 30 - Dec. 14 **Donate Socks for the Gambell Presbyterian Church Christmas Party** Help us collect 500 pairs of new, warm socks for the Gambell Presbyterian Church Christmas Celebration. Each year FPC sends candy canes and winter socks for their Christmas party.

Nov. 30 **Advent Party** Enjoy lunch, make and Advent wreath, stuff Christmas stockings for F.I.S.H. families, take home a Reverse Advent Calendar Food Box; collect the selected food items and bring the filled box back to the church on Christmas Eve. All donations will go to the Food Bank of Alaska.

Dec. 7 **Hanging of the Greens** following the 11am worship service

Dec 7-21 **Angel Tree Gifts** Stop by the Angel Tree in the narthex and pick up an angel. Buy the gift on the angel tree and return to the church by Sunday, Dec. 21.

Dec. 10 **Food Bank of Alaska Senior Box Build** Join others from FPC from 9-12. Go to the Food Bank of Alaska website to sign up as an individual or contact Richard Jackson for the FPC volunteer link.

Dec. 14 **Alternative Gift Market** One stop Christmas shopping! The Gift Market offers holiday shoppers a choice of gifts while supporting local, national and international organizations. Bring your friends! Bring cash or checks as some of the organizations may not be able to take cards.

Dec. 22 **Christmas Goodie Bag Delivery** Volunteer to help deacons distribute goodie bags to homes of elderly church members.

Dec. 24 **Christmas Eve Hospitality** Bring your donations of 1-2 dozen cookies to the church on Sunday, Dec. 22 or Monday, Dec. 23 for the Christmas Eve service.

Dec 18 **Pioneer Home Christmas Service** and poinsettia delivery 10am.

Dec. 25 **Downtown Hope Center Christmas Breakfast.** First Presbyterian Church prepares a breakfast for the women on Christmas morning. Volunteers of all ages are welcome to join us at the Downtown Hope Center at 8 am to make and serve breakfast. Contact the church office to sign up.

Jan. 4 **Epiphany Party and Baby Shower for Jesus** Celebrate with us as we welcome the Magi to the manger! FPC will provide the gold, frankincense, and myrrh and the main course for lunch. You can bring a side dish or leftover Christmas goodies. The party will include a "Baby Shower for Jesus" with donations going to Covenant House Passage Home. We will also remove Christmas decorations from the sanctuary.



PREPARE THE WAY

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Advent Worship and Bible Study



Hope

Nov. 30, 9:30 am
11 am

Adult Sunday School, Will to Dream: Vigilant Hope
Advent Worship

Advent Party following worship service
Faith Formation for Children: Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Dec. 2 7:00 pm

Presbyterian Women's Bible Study

Dec. 7, 9:30am
11:00 am

Adult Sunday School, Will to Dream: Prophetic Peace
Advent Worship

Faith Formation for Children: Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Dec. 14, 9:30am
11:00 am

Adult Sunday School, Will to Dream: Unexpected Joy
Advent Worship

Faith Formation for Children: Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Alternative Gift Market following worship service

Dec. 18, 10:00 am

Pioneer Home Christmas Service and Poinsettia Delivery

Dec. 21, 9:30 am
11:00 am

Adult Sunday School, Will to Dream: Merciful Love
Advent Worship and PC(USA) Joy Offering

Faith Formation for Children: Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Dec. 24, 5:30 pm

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Dec. 28, 9:30 am
11:00 am

Adult Sunday School, Embodied Promise, Generational Praise
Worship

Faith Formation for Children

Jan. 4, 9:30am
11:00 am

Adult Sunday School, Will to Dream: Courageous Defiance
Epiphany Worship with Communion

Faith Formation for Children: F.I.S.H Service Project

Epiphany: Baby Shower for Jesus following worship

Jan. 11

Taking down the greens, following 11:00 am worship

Peace

Joy

Love

Christ

In a time when trust feels fragile and divisions run deep, The Will to Dream calls us into holy longing—a sacred desire for a world made whole. Rooted in prophetic imagination, this Advent–Epiphany series helps communities confront despair, embody justice, and claim hope as a radical act. Together, we learn to dream not as escape, but as spiritual resistance—shaped by the visions of Isaiah, the song of Mary, and the stories surrounding Jesus' birth.