

KIMBALL AVENEWS



LIFE-CHANGING YEARS

Our annual **Harvest Home Celebration** will focus on a different kind of harvest this year. On **Sunday, December 9**, we're recognizing **Pastor and Karren's 40 years of labor in God's harvest field** and the fruit of their work in the church and community.

We invite you to join us for this special day in their honor at the **Hairpin Arts Center, 2810 N. Milwaukee Ave. 2nd Fl.** (accessible by elevator). We will begin with a **worship service at 11:00 am**. A catered **lunch** will be served at **12:30 pm**, followed by a brief program looking back on their 40 years at Kimball Avenue. We will also receive the Harvest Home offering. **Come for all or part of the day.** (Free street parking is available.)

Please RSVP via our Facebook event page or email by Sunday, December 2.

Christmas Dinner

Our December **'Sunday Dinner'** will be served at First Lutheran Church on Sunday, December 16, at 11:00 am. Everyone enjoys the meals we prepare, so we need your help to make it special.

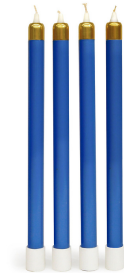
Please sign up to provide ingredients for our December meal starting on December 2.

Christmas Worship

We will celebrate the birth of Christ with a joyful worship service on **Sunday, December 23**, at 3500 W. Fullerton Ave. We'll light the Christ candle and sing favorite carols starting at **10:30 am**. *(We will not have a Christmas Eve service this year.)*

'Tis the Season to be...

...HOPEFUL



ADVENT, a time of anticipation and hopeful preparation for the coming of the Lord, begins on **Sunday, December 2**. Each Sunday in December, we will light Advent candles, sing songs of yearning for God and hear the stories of God's promise in the times of darkness. There will be special times for children each week too.

...JOLLY

There was great joy following the mid-term elections, after the Logan Square Ecumenical Alliance helped to pass 2 binding referenda to expand mental health services in our community. On **Sunday, December 2**, we will celebrate the success with a **Parranda/Las Posadas at Segundo Ruiz Belvis Cultural Center, 4046 W. Armitage Ave., starting at 12:30 pm**. Our congregation is a member church of the LSEA.

...FESTIVE

Again this year, we will join Nuestra Señora De Las Americas to celebrate the feast day of Guadalupe **Guadalupana** will be held on **Wednesday, December 12 at 7:00 pm at 3413 W. Medill**. We will enjoy food and time for fellowship.



...GIVING



Throughout the month of December, we are creating a **'Giving Tree'** and decking it with new socks and gloves for distribution to our sisters and brothers who live on the streets. **Bring your donation to the church any Sunday through December 30**. We will distribute them on Sunday, January 6, as part of our celebration of Dia De Los Reyes.

...BLUE

For many people, the holidays are challenging for their mental health and wellbeing as they struggling with loneliness, grief or depression. This month, our **'Wellness Check'** will take the form of **'Blue Christmas'**. The time of reflection will be held on **Wednesday, December 19 at 7:00 pm**.