

**Queensway Free Methodist Church**

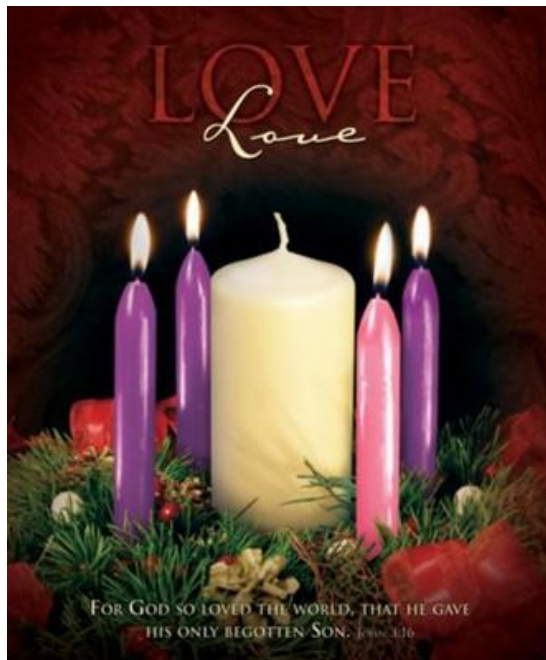
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**Pastor Brian Hornibrook**

***We are so glad you are here!***

***It is our joy to extend a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship this morning.***

***If this is your first time with us, we hope you find the worship uplifting.***

***Our prayer is that you will sense***

***the love of Christ here among God's people.***

***May God grant His abundant blessing upon you.***

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent ~ December 19, 2021**

**Prayer on Entering the House of the LORD**

O Lord, our God, we worship and adore You, for You are the God of promises made and promises kept; We are so grateful for Your precious gift of love which is for the whole world; the gift of the Savior who is Christ the Lord. Father God, as we continue our journey to Bethlehem during this season of Advent, we pray that You guide us into a deeper relationship with You and Your Son, Jesus, our Messiah, in whose precious name we pray. Amen.

Welcome & Prayer

Pastor Brian

Worship Leaders

Jim Robb

Songs

*"Christmas Offering"*

*"The Birthday of a King"*

*"Noel"*

Opening Prayer

Jim Robb

Announcements and Praise Moments

Scripture Reading

Dave Wiebe

Isaiah 7:14 & 9:2 - 7 ESV

Offering Song

*"Once in Royal David's City"*

Message

Pastor Brian

*"Promises made ~ Promises Kept: He Will Increase Our Joy"*

Closing Song

*"Light of the World"*

Head Usher /Greeters Claude Dow / Howard & Fim Comeau

Sound & PP

Jan Gurnick & Peter Stead

**Pastoral Concerns** For any Pastoral concerns, please contact Pastor Brian at 289-547-7103 or [pastorbrianqfmc@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbrianqfmc@gmail.com).

**Prayer Chain**

If you would like something on the prayer chain, please contact Judy Dow

**Prayer Focus for this Week**

Please remember in your prayers your Queensway family including **Joyce Chawner**.

## **This Week in the Life of Queensway**

**Secretary Office Hours:** Tuesday 10a.m. – 4p.m.

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**Pastor Brian's Office Hours:** Tuesday – Thursday 9a.m. – 1p.m.

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### **Small Groups**

The pandemic has changed the way we do things as a church; it goes without saying this has lasted much longer than we imagined. As a result, we are utilizing Zoom to gather virtually. At present we have 3 small groups that meet weekly/regularly; everyone is welcome and encouraged to join these gatherings.

### **Prayer Meeting**

Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Via Zoom**

Contact: Judy Dow

### **Bible Study**

Resumes in the New Year

#### **Via Zoom**

Contact Pastor Brian 289-547-7103 or via email

### **Knitting Group**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

**Next gathering is January 5<sup>th</sup> at the church.**

Contact: Jan Gurnick

### **Queensway Mitten Tree**

In partnership with the Salvation Army, we are collecting mittens, gloves, hats and scarves to help local children keep warm this winter. Please place your items under the Christmas tree in the sanctuary here at QFMC. Thank you!

### **Soup Kitchen Collection**

We will be collecting the following **New** items the Niagara Falls Soup Kitchen has identified as things their clients often need during the winter months. There will be a bin in the foyer of the church during December marked Soup Kitchen.

\$10.00 gift cards to Dollarama; Deodorant; Toothpaste/Brush;  
Hairbrushes/Combs; Shampoo/Conditioner; Body Wash; Sanitary Napkins; Hand Lotion; Lip Balm; Hand Warmers; Hats, Mitts/Gloves (heavy warm ones); Socks (substantial); Men's & Women's Underwear/Shirts

Gratefully, The Care Commission

## **Live Nativity Today**

Today following worship, we begin preparing to welcome the community for the Live Nativity. We want to thank all of you who have stepped up to help in the many ways necessary to offer this unique telling of the true Christmas story. This year will be different in many ways because of the pandemic, and we are delighted that we are able to hold this annual tradition after missing it last year. Please be patient. Please remember to follow the protocols in as much as you are able. Be kind. Stay safe. And love generously. We are the light of Christ in this dark and hopeless world. Let the light of Christ which abides in you shine for all the world to see. And have fun.

### **Christmas Eve Service**

It is with disappointment that the Board has come to the difficult decision to not hold an in-person Christmas Eve service this year because of Covid restrictions. Our limited seating capacity because of Covid made us realize that we wouldn't be able to accommodate everyone who might want to attend, and we didn't want to turn anyone away. So once again, we will produce a video for Christmas Eve which will go "live" at 7 p.m. on our YouTube channel. We encourage you and your family to watch it together and worship the Lord on this Holiest of nights.

### **Free Methodist Church Prayer Focus**

This week's prayer focus is ***Cornerstone Free Methodist Church, Prince Albert, SK***. Please remember our brothers and sisters in Christ in your prayers this week as they are in transition. Please also remember the PLTF in your prayers as they begin the interviewing process for the new pastor God has prepared for them. Pray for clarity of vision and a discerning heart as they seek the Lord's leading during this exciting and important time in the life of Christ's church in Prince Albert.

### **Gratitude Tree**

You may have noticed a small Christmas tree in the corner, just outside the entrance to the sanctuary; we've decided to give it a purpose. Susan came up with the idea of hanging tags with the names of people we're grateful for, remembering, or missing at Christmas. There are some tags on the table across from the tree; please feel free to write the name or names on the tag that the Lord places on your heart and hang the tag on the tree as an offering to God.

### **Christmas Fun at Queensway**

We're delighted many of you have taken up the invitation to have fun at church and are wearing your favourite Christmas sweaters this morning. If you're willing to have your picture taken, please let me know; I'd love to post some of our sweater pictures on our website under the Queensway Family Photos section. Thank you again for your willingness to have some fun with this; it's been a blast.