



Join us this
Season...

All are welcome here!



Worship Sunday at
8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Christmas Eve:
3:30, 6:30 &
11:00 p.m.

2cc.org

December 6, 2024

Dear Friends of Second Church,

With the Sanctuary and offices decorated, it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at 2CC.

In this newsletter, you'll see notices for some of the ways we'll be gathering and celebrating this month, and we'd love to see you at any and all of them.

Meanwhile, I hope you'll find joy and inspiration in the holiday lights around town, remembering the light that shines in darkness.

See you in church,

Max

Sermons are always
available online:
2CCSermons

If you can't make it in person, join us
via [Livestream for our 10:30
a.m.](#) Sunday service.

2025 Stewardship Campaign Update...

"As each received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

Our 2025 Stewardship campaign is now in its fourth week. As of December 2, 2024, we have received thirty (30) pledges totaling \$168,887.00. This total is now 45% of our goal of \$373,646.00. This month is a key time when our 2025 church budget is being prepared.

Your commitment to pledge will greatly help us reach our goal.

Bob Willett, Chair

**Click here for more information about
Stewardship**

Children's Chapel at 2CC

Infant and toddler nursery care is open 10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m. Little ones are also welcome with their parents in the Sanctuary. Families are encouraged to join in the worship experience as makes sense for each individual child.

Deacons can help direct you to our nursery room.

Children ages kindergarten and up are encouraged to start worship with their parents at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Those who wish may depart for Children's Chapel and Choir with Jenny at about 10:45 a.m.

For more information please contact Jenny@2cc.org

Registration not required but helpful for us to best know and love your child.

Register for Children's Chapel

Advent Week One...



Join our Chancel Choir for Christmas!

Our Chancel Choir is back for another season of singing during our 10:30 services. If you are interested in joining us this year, please consider the following: You are not required to sing each month. We rehearse after the 10:30 service for 45 minutes. You don't have to sing like Pavarotti, just a desire to sing! Singing with the choir is a fun, social experience. You can try us out before you commit! No auditions, just show up and we'll sign you up!

December

8 Choir Rehearsal
15 Choir Rehearsal
22 Choir Rehearsal
24 5:30 Rehearsal,
6:30 Christmas Eve Service

**Email Alexander for more information about Chancel
Choir**

Join our Elementary & Youth Choirs!

Rehearsals are each Wednesday

Elementary Choir (Grade K-4)
4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Youth Choir (Grade 5 & Older)
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Email Brigid for more information about Youth
Choirs**

Christmas is coming...



Our annual Angel Tree is up in the Sanctuary and the Congregation is asked to help families in need in our community. Please stop by after the service and consider being a 2CC Angel. Cash, checks, and credit cards accepted. If you prefer to donate online, click the link below for our Virtual Angel Tree. Contact Georgia Harding 203-940-1010 if you have any questions.

Donate to Angel Tree



2CC Women's Fellowship invites you to
Christmas in Cos Cob, Holiday Tea and Tour

Bush-Holley House

Tuesday, December 10
3:00-5:00 p.m.



\$20 person
(limited spaces available)

RSVP:Pam@2cc.org

RSVP to Pam for Tour & Tea on December 10

GINGERBREAD WORKSHOP

WITH SPECIAL GUEST: MRS. CLAUS!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

\$35 PER HOUSE
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

CHILDREN UNDER AGE 12
NEED TO BE ACCOMPANIED
BY AN ADULT

EMAIL JENNY@2CC.ORG
FOR MORE INFORMATION

2CC.ORG



LIMITED SPACES
AVAILABLE

[Click here to reserve your Gingerbread House](#)

[Email Jenny for more information](mailto:JENNY@2CC.ORG)

TEDDY BEAR STORY HOUR

WITH JENNY AT COFFEE FOR GOOD

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

AT 8:00 A.M.

ROLL OUT OF BED & JOIN US IN YOUR PJ'S...



**SPECIAL GUEST ON
DECEMBER 21: MRS. CLAUS
EMAIL: JENNY@2CC.ORG FOR
MORE INFORMATION**



CHRISTMAS AT 2CC!

Christmas Eve Worship

3:30 Family Service

6:30 Festival Service

11:00 Candlelight Service

Christmas Eve Pageant Q & A

Q. Who is the pageant open to?

A. All children and parents, family and friends visiting are welcome too!

Q. Are there going to be rehearsals for the pageant?

A. No formal rehearsals. One walk through with the narrators on December 22, 11:45 a.m. after worship.

Q. My child would really like to participate, what do we do?

A. Always helpful to let Jenny@2cc.org know, especially if your child has a special pageant wish. We will have costumes starting at 2:30 p.m. in the chapel December 24, hot cocoa bar will be open. We will then proceed to the Sanctuary for 3:30 p.m. pageant and worship. Any families who know for sure they want to be in the Pageant, costumes will also be available for pick up on Sunday December 22 during coffee hour.



**In case you missed it,
click here to watch the
Piano Serenade from last
Sunday**

Pacific House Thanksgiving Update...

It was a busy Thanksgiving week for the 2CC cooks, servers, packers, and delivery people. On Sunday, Barbara Swartz, Carol Lattanzio, Paula Saunders, and Gordon Ng prepared the Pacific House meal. Monday's servers were Bob Willett, John Perry, Brad and Bianca McKee, Mary Alice Schulte and Gordon Ng. The meal was a hit and there were calls for second and THIRD servings!

Forty Thanksgiving meals were prepared on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for the Greenwich Human Services homebound people. Our stellar crew consisted of Marco and Annette Grieco, Kathleen Perry, Mary Alice Schulte, Carol Lattanzio, Gail Covney, Kathy Chatteraj, Christine Li and Paula Saunders.

Early Thursday morning the Gordon Ng family and friends showed up to start packing the meal, along with Annette Grieco, and Christine Li. Turkey carvers Barbara Swartz, Gordon Ng and Marco Grieco sharpened their knives and went to work. The delivery folks--the McKee family, Leah and Jim Marmon, Bob Willett, Lauren Schweibold, Mary Alice Schulte, Sarah Topeke, and Jenny Byxbee showed up in the rain at 10:45 and went to their destinations with enthusiasm and smiles. We are grateful to the clean-up team of Khaleigh and Julie, who tackled the roasting pans with ease and joy.

The following is an email we received from one of the Thanksgiving dinner recipients:

"Happy Thanksgiving. I had a meal delivered, and am so thankful. My son and I enjoyed it very much. Happy Holidays!"

In addition to the above, on Sunday the 2CC 'Holiday Elves'—Asha Chatteraj, Grace Grant and Mary Alice Schulte-- delivered wreaths to five of the Pacific House homes in Stamford.

It was a wonderful week of outreach from the dedicated members and friends of 2CC.





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