

ADVENT

*let every heart  
prepare him room*

Welcome to  
**RESERVOIR VIRCH!**

December 20, 2020

We'll get started at 10:03!

**Grab your breakfast, your cup of coffee/tea/juice, your people, and enjoy some music until we get started!**



ADVENT

*let every heart  
prepare him room*



2020

# NEWS & INVITATIONS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/news-events/news](https://www.reservoirchurch.org/news-events/news)



- **The Beloved Community Fund to Provide Short-Term Assistance**  
<https://www.reservoirchurch.org/reservoir-introduces-the-beloved-community-fun>
- **Boston Globe Article Highlights Reservoir's Advent During Covid**  
<https://www.bostonglobe.com/2020/11/24/metro/advent-begins-churches-look-socially-distant-ways-celebrate-season/>
- **Artist-in-Residence Series Kicks Off**  
<https://www.reservoirchurch.org/news/new-artist-in-residence-series-featuring-female-artists-of-color/>
- **Give Online to Reservoir**  
[pushpay.com/g/reservoirchurch](https://pushpay.com/g/reservoirchurch) or text Reservoir to 77977

# EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Christmas Eve Kids Church

Thursday, 12/24  
5:30 - 6:00 pm



We finish our Advent storytelling and light the final candle, the Christ candle, to remember the baby who changes EVERYTHING. Geared toward preschoolers and elementary schoolers but welcome to kids of all ages. Contact [Kim](#) for the link.

## Christmas Eve Service

Thursday, 12/24  
6:00 - 7:00 pm  
5:30 pm kids story



A special choir compilation, readers, and DIY candlelighting will highlight our storytelling and meditations this year. Set aside this hour to celebrate with us! Families and friends invited.

**[Meeting HERE at this link.](#)**

# EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Grief and Remembrance of Loved Ones

Sunday, 12/27



Our monthly time of remembering loved ones lost this year will happen next Sunday during Virch.

Share names of friends and family to [ivy@reservoirchurch.org](mailto:ivy@reservoirchurch.org).

## Arlington Fights Racism

Second Tuesdays

1/12, 2/9, 3/9

On Zoom



Join our neighbors in “Building Community: Connecting and Engaging.”

Spaces to share what’s important to you.

Find out more at

<https://www.arlingtonfightsracism.com/>

# EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Community Groups Welcome You

Online and  
In-Person



It might be an unusual and difficult year. But that hasn't stopped our community groups from finding creative ways to connect, support each other, and find more of the love of God together. Email [Ivy](mailto:ivy@reservoirchurch.org) to find out more.

## Kids Church Takes a Break Next Sunday 12/27



We will take a break next weekend and see you back on January 3.

Join us this Thursday for Christmas Eve Kids Church - email [Kim](mailto:kim@reservoirchurch.org) for link!

# EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Ask for Prayer

Sundays, 10-11am



Email [steve@reservoirchurch.org](mailto:steve@reservoirchurch.org) anytime during our Virch service, and share your concern. Include your phone number for a brief phone call from a prayer team member today to pray over the phone.

## Beloved Community Fund



A new resource to support individuals

within Reservoir's community, for

- short-term financial assistance
- long-term networking in Reservoir and beyond.

<https://forms.gle/FMjNUgEMjvxcPBtA6>



# HIGHLIGHTS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Christmas Eve Service

Thursday, 12/24, 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Kids story at 5:30

Congregational readers, DIY candlelighting, and a very special 2020 choir compilation highlight our online celebration this year.

Families and friends invited. **[Link HERE and in chat.](#)**

Email **[kim@reservoirchurch.org](mailto:kim@reservoirchurch.org)** for kids story link.



# HIGHLIGHTS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Beloved Community Fund

A new resource to support individuals within Reservoir's community, for

- short-term financial assistance
- long-term networking in Reservoir and beyond.



Request Google form: <https://forms.gle/FMjNUgEMjvxcPBtA6>

Read more: <https://www.reservoirchurch.org/connect/practical-help-and-training/>

# HIGHLIGHTS

Reservoir calendar at [reservoirchurch.org/events](https://reservoirchurch.org/events)



## Want to Get Plugged In?

Take a step forward and connect more at Reservoir!

- Ask for personal prayer from our team: [\*\*steve@reservoirchurch.org\*\*](mailto:steve@reservoirchurch.org)
- Try one of our 30+ community groups: start with [\*\*this form\*\*](#).
- Give financially: **text Reservoir to 77977** or [\*\*pushpay.com/g/reservoirchurch\*\*](https://pushpay.com/g/reservoirchurch)
- Keep up with online platforms like Cambridge Reservoir Church (Facebook), @reservoirchurch (Instagram), or [\*\*www.reservoirchurch.org\*\*](https://www.reservoirchurch.org).
- Fill out a [\*\*“New or Feeling New” form\*\*](#).

# Comfort, For All God's Favorites

ADVENT

*let every heart  
prepare him room*

LUKE 2:8-20

FROM THE COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE

8 Nearby shepherds were living in the fields, guarding their sheep at night. 9 The Lord's angel stood before them, the Lord's glory shone around them, and they were terrified.

10 The angel said, "Don't be afraid! Look! I bring good news to you—wonderful, joyous news for all people.

LUKE 2:8-20

FROM THE COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE

11 Your savior is born today in David's city. He is Christ the Lord. 12 This is a sign for you: you will find a newborn baby wrapped snugly and lying in a manger." 13 Suddenly a great assembly of the heavenly forces was with the angel praising God. They said, 14 "Glory to God in heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors."

LUKE 2:8-20

FROM THE COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE

15 When the angels returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, “Let’s go right now to Bethlehem and see what’s happened. Let’s confirm what the Lord has revealed to us.” 16 They went quickly and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. 17 When they saw this, they reported what they had been told about this child.

LUKE 2:8-20

FROM THE COMMON ENGLISH BIBLE

18 Everyone who heard it was amazed at what the shepherds told them. 19 Mary committed these things to memory and considered them carefully. 20 The shepherds returned home, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen. Everything happened just as they had been told.



