



We'll be Home for Christmas!

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And everyone went to their own town to register. ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.
– Luke 2:3-7

Dear Church Family,

In just a few weeks, we will be together. The people of God at Fox Point Lutheran Church will once more come together as church and family. We will worship our living God. We will once again connect as friends. We will find new ways to serve those in need. We will teach the power of sacrifice and service, forgiveness and unconditional love. Our church will be a place where people who are lost and hopeless find home and hope. We will be HOME for CHRISTMAS.

I remember driving my daughter Hannah home for Christmas several years ago when she attended UW Madison. She was so excited. It reminded me of the Christmas mornings when she would run downstairs looking to see what was in her stocking or under the tree. As we drove that day, she started asking questions about Christmas. Did we decorate the tree? Did we make Christmas cookies? Were there any presents under the tree? I looked at her with a twinkle in my eye and said, "You'll have to wait and see!"

We are almost Home for Christmas! I have a twinkle in my eye, and I can't wait for all of you to see!

2022 will be an important year for our church. We will move into our new building and out into the world. We will work together to discover how powerful life can be as people of faith.

We will need to staff up and gear up to be the church God calls us to be. We will hire someone to create a dynamic Youth and Young Adult Ministry program. We will hire a new organist who can make our new organ come alive in worship. We will start programs and studies that will bring us together in ways that connect our hearts and lives.

And now the ask! It is short and sweet. Could you please give what you gave last year? You have been so patient and generous. If you did not give last year, please help us as we move into an amazing future. And if, for some reason, you have been blessed or you wish to be a blessing, please consider adding 3% to your pledge. It will help us more than you will ever know! Please either mail your pledge cards or bring them to church as soon as you can.

We will be Home for Christmas! It is a new and exciting beginning! Thank you for your love, your generosity, and your dedication.

With love,

Pastor Bill

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