



## *Advent by Candlelight*

Dear Hostess,

We are so excited that you have decided to participate in this year's Advent by Candlelight. We look forward to celebrating our Savior's birth with you and your guests. This year's program will take place at the Pennsylvania campus and will include Christmas caroling, a reading of the Christmas story, light appetizers (provided by CTK), desserts (provided by hostesses), and a wonderful time of fellowship with each other.

The Hostess Instruction Sheet is attached to help you start your planning. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Jackie Brooks. Advent by Candlelight will be supporting the CTK Food Pantry. A description of the charity is attached along with their needs list. We ask that you and your guests prayerfully consider giving to this organization.

In the past, there have been a few women who did not have a hostess and would like to attend. If you have an extra seat(s) at your table, or a last minute cancellation, please contact Jackie Brooks.

Thank you for taking the opportunity to share this special evening with your family and friends. It is a perfect time to declare the good news that

*"Christ Our Savior Is Born."*

God's Blessings to You!

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# *Advent by Candlelight Hostess Guide*

Christ the King Lutheran Church- Pennsylvania Campus

Saturday, December 4, 2021

6:30pm

*With the hustle and bustle that accompanies the Christmas season, the Advent by Candlelight service is a wonderful time to prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate the birth of our Savior. The inspirational message, Christmas music and fellowship with those dear to us is a marvelous way for us to reflect on this joyous season. Once your planning and decorating is complete, we ask that you sit back, relax, and enjoy this celebration!*

## *Schedule for the evening:*

6:00-6:15 P.M- Hostess arrive

6:30 – 7:00 P.M. – Appetizers and fellowship

7:00 – 7:45 P.M. – Program in the sanctuary

7:45 – 8:30 P.M. – Dessert and coffee in the gym

## *Items that you will need to provide:*

Candles 10”-12” (2 or more)

Tablecloth for 36” x 96” table

Cups, glasses, plates, napkins, & silverware for each guest

Pitcher for punch

Carafe for coffee

Sugar and creamer set

Dessert

## *Items that CTK will provide:*

All paper products for appetizers

Punch and ice

Coffee and Tea

Creamers and sugar



## *Now the fun: Decorating our tables!*

Be creative! Some examples: nativity scenes, angel scenes, Christmas trees, villages – be sure to have fun planning your theme.

If this seems overwhelming, consider teaming up with a friend and share a table! Favors for your guests are optional.

Tables can be decorated on Saturday, December 4 from 12-4 P.M. Thank you in advance for working with this time schedule.

If possible, please set your table for 10. We may need a last minute seat for a guest.

## *Charity*

This year, we will be supporting the Christ the King Food Pantry and Elli's House. Elli's House is an organization that helps homeless & runaway women involved in human trafficking in the city of Detroit. Their mission is to abolish sex trafficking in the city of Detroit through building relationships, offering safe shelter, and providing education.

We will have a table to collect non-perishable food donations and a basket to take a free will donation for Elli's House. When sending your invitations, please ask your guests to prayerful consider giving to our selected charity.

## *Invitation*

You are welcome to use the attached invitation or your own. This event is for women who are high school age and older. This is a great opportunity to invite family and friends for a beautiful evening sharing the love of Christ to start this Christmas season.

