

Women of Redeemer Christmas Tea Hostesses

Basic Tea Info:

December 14, 2024, from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in Gillespie Hall. Doors open at 11 a.m. \$20 pp. All attendees must have a purchased ticket. This includes table hostesses. Menu: chicken salad, fruit, croissant, dessert

Hostesses are responsible for the following:

1. **Provide 8 (or more if you have more than 8 at your table) place settings. This includes:**
 - **Plates**
 - **Teacups and saucers (or mugs)**
 - **Forks**
 - **Teaspoons**
 - **Knives**
 - **Napkins**
 - **One plate for teabags**
 - **One teapot**
 - **One centerpiece**

Plates can be china, pottery, or fun Christmas paper goods. Mix and match if you'd like! Water glasses, water pitchers, tea bags, lemon slices, and sugar packets are provided for your table. NOTE: White tablecloths are provided by the church. Some hostesses add additional tablecloth toppers, chargers, placemats, etc, to put over the white ones provided.

NOTE: Please don't place anything on top of the plates at your table (napkins, silverware, etc.), since we will place clear plates with the food on top of your plates.

2. **The centerpiece for your table doesn't need to be fancy.** You can use a nativity, an Advent wreath, wrapped boxes, floral centerpiece, etc. YOUR CHOICE!

NOTE: Candles are not allowed to be used on the tables, unless they are flameless.

Friday, December 13 - Set Up Day:

1. **Set up your table either on Friday, December 13 from 12:00-2:00 pm, or 4:00-6:00 pm.** NOTE: **Unloading** - You can pull in front of the church where we will have carts available for hostesses' use. Space has been reserved for hostesses to store boxes, carts, etc., so they will be out of sight until you are ready to repack your items after the luncheon.
2. **When you come to set your table, please check in at the hostess table at the main entrance to Gillespie Hall. Your table sign and a list of those at your table will be there.**

Saturday, December 14 - Day of Event

1. **Please arrive by 11 a.m.** on December 14 to prepare for our guests' arrival at 11:30 a.m. You can get hot water for your teapot from our urns, etc..
2. **As they arrive, please greet the women at your table.** Pass the hot water and tea bags to the women at your table. Bubbly will be at your table as well.
3. **At 11:45 a.m, chimes will ring** to alert you to help quiet your table, so that the welcome and prayer can be heard throughout the room. **Enjoy** being a part of one of the most special events at Redeemer all year!
5. **Post-Event:** Pack all your goodies for the trip home immediately following the luncheon as our sextons will be "flipping" the room for Sunday morning!