



First United Methodist Church

Welcome! We're glad that you are here.
To all who need comfort; all who need friendship;
all who are lonely and need companionship;
all who want sheltering love, all who sin
and need a Savior; and whosoever will
—we open wide our doors and say,
“Come; let us worship together.”

10:15 am Sunday Morning Worship **December 3 2017**
HANGING OF THE GREENS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PRAYER

PRELUDE “Love Came Down at Christmas” Hannah Brigham

CHIMES

* **HYMN #234 “O Come All Ye Faithful** Congregation

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

- L: Today we come together to prepare for the birthday of a King.
- P: Today we make ready our welcome for God’s only Son, Jesus of Nazareth.**
- L: We begin this special and holy season of Advent, the season of going toward the birth of Christ. Let us clear our minds and open our hearts to the coming of the Lord.
- P: Let us also honor his birth by adorning our church for the coming of our King.**
- L: Let our songs and symbols represent our personal rededication to the glory of God and the manifestation of his love through his Son, Jesus Christ.
- ALL: In this special service of Advent preparation, let us make ready this house of God for the celebrations with which this congregation, this people of God, will welcome again the coming of the Christ into the World.**

ACT OF HANGING OF THE GREENS

COLORS

EXPECTATION THE KING

“The First Noel”

Accompanists: Vivian Eaton, Brennon Cavanagh
Susan Michelle Jepsen, Dianne Brinkmeier, Denise Curtis,
Deb Long, Jackie Walker, Ann Larsen, Mary Irons, Bob
Grissinger, Ryan Miller, Tim Cavanagh, Lori Miller, Kay
Cavanagh, LaVona Grissinger

CANDLES

VICTORY OVER SPIRITUAL DARKNESS

Music: “A Thousand Candles” Terri Miller
Acolytes: Norah Brigham & Brigit Jepsen

Placement of Advent Wreath, Candles, and Candelabras:
Kelley Johnson, Kim Falk, Patty Nevills

Lighting the Advent Wreath:

Dykema Family
Congregation

Hymn #2009 “Lighting the Advent Candle (vs 1,2)
THE GARLAND **ETERNAL LIFE**

“Deck the Halls” Congregation
School Sunday Children, Julie Brigham, Stephanie Shaw,
Jen McCombie, Courtney Johnson, Shauna Roberts
Scripture Lesson: John 1:9-14

THE WREATH THE LOVE OF GOD, ETERNAL, WITHOUT BEGINNING OR END

“The Holly and The Ivy” Special Music: **Brennon Cavanagh**
Enoch Green, Frank Norman, Jon Darrow

POINSETTIA FLOWER OF THE HOLY NIGHT

“Lo How a Rose Ere Blooming” Special Music: **Judy Davidson (Violin)**
Flower Presenters

THE TREE BLESSED BY THE CHILD

“O Christmas Tree” Congregation
Merle and Kevin Law, Bruce Badtke, Chris Falk

CHRISMONS SYMBOLS OF CHRIST

The Chrismons will be hung on the tree by the children
as each symbol is explained.
Chris Falk, Burt Prins, Bruce Badtke, Garrett Badtke, Tim
McCombie

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY “Were You There” Choir
***DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

THE CRÈCHE THE NATIVITY

Hymn #230 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”(vs1)

Congregation

Scripture Lesson: Luke 2:1-7

Sarah Guenzler, Blaine Johnson, Marcus Shaw

Hymn #217 “Away in a Manger”

Sunday School Youth sings 1st verse, congregation joins
in on the rest of song

Shepherds: Ian & Kelden McCombie, Briar Nevills,

Tommy Falk, David Murphy **Angel:** Hannah Brigham

Hymn #250 “Hark the Herald Angels Sing” (vs 1)

Congregation

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

Hymn #254 “We Three Kings”

Congregation sings vs1 and chorus: Brennan sings vs 2,3,4,
congregation vs 5 and chorus

“Isn’t He Beautiful” Women’s Choir

Kings: Carlo Stubbe, Tom Michels, Tim Cavanagh

Hymn #246 “Joy to the World”

congregation

***POSTLUDE**

In Our Prayers

John Hamm, Glen Brunner, John Powell, Rex Felten, Eli,
Bill Remrey, Jerod Wood,
Ed Arb, Judy Orn, Joan Miller,
Robin Cook, Loran Ahmedi, Jim Chaplin, Kevin Hersey,
Lance Wallace, Nancy Sweitzer, Denise Curtis,
Kevin Schmidt, Elinor Froehlich,
Sharon Beyer, Sherrie Searheart, Joan Hallaron,
Charley Meyer, Bill McCormick, John McConnel, Military
Personnel
and their families

Calendar

December 3	9 am	Sunday School for all ages
	10:15 am	Worship
	2 pm	Christmas VBS
December 4	9 am	Body & Soul Yoga
December 5	6 pm	UMW Christmas Party
December 7	8 am	Breakfast (Café Crumbles)/ Bible Study
	9 am	Body & Soul Yoga
December 9	8:30 am	Weight Watchers- Fellowship Hall
	5 pm	Worship
December 10	9 am	Sunday School for all ages
	10:15 am	Worship (Children’s Christmas Program)
	2 pm	Community Christmas Concert

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Dec. 3	Nathan Darrow, Shelby Rathje
Dec. 4	Jashaun Schoenhar
Dec. 7	Greg Stott, Paige Tirone
Dec. 10	Nick Tirone
Dec. 11	Merle Law



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **We welcome all visitors** to our Worship time today. We are glad you're here. Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors. We are the people of the United Methodist Church.
2. **Friendly reminder** to Deb Long! You are the verifier for next Sunday! And Molly Andersen, you are the counter!
3. **LAST WEEKS ATTENDANCE:**
Saturday: 7
Sunday: 72
Sunday School: 35
4. **First Sunday and the Interchurch Council** are teaming up for a Christmas VBS "**A Night in Bethlehem**". It will be held at the First United Methodist Church **Today!** This is for the whole family to enjoy. Hope to see everyone there!
5. We are helping with the **needy kids Christmas again this year**. If you would like to help a family, please pick one off the board in the Narthex! All gifts need to be turned into the office by **December 10th**. **All gifts need to be wrapped and noted with the family number.**
6. We need people to sign up for the **nursery. Two people each week**. We also need people to learn how to operate the media and audio systems. Please call the office if you are willing to volunteer!
7. Our **Community Christmas Concert** will be here on **December 10th at 2pm!** Hope to see you there!!!!!!
8. **Extra Christmas offering envelopes will be located in the Narthex!**

Poinsettias

In Memory of:

Robert Kelly By: John & Mary Irons

Loved Ones By: Glenn & Susan White

David Davies Jr. By: Bonnie Davies

My Parents Lois & Bob Kendall By: Linda Jachino

Janet Smith By: The Badtke Family

Martha Rhoden By: The Guilinger Family

Mary Craig By: Ruth French & Family

Mr. & Mrs. Marshall Amesquita By: Molly & Jeff Andersen

Harold Andersen & Nedra Hulseberg By: Molly & Jeff Andersen

Cody Donahue By: Shauna Roberts & Dustin Sether

Edward French By: Ruth French & Family

Katy & Rachel Wright By: Bill Wright

In Honor of:

Children & Grandchildren By: Burt & Peg Dauphin

Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren

By: Ruth Kelly

Our Family By: Vivian & Jim Eaton

Eowyn Wrigley Snyder's Birth By: Sharon & Allen Beyer

Vivian Eaton, Peg Dauphin & Linda Jachino By: Molly & Jeff Andersen

My Children & Grandchildren By: Bill Wright



Hanging of the Greens

First United Methodist Church Hanging of the Greens Sunday, 10:15 am

*"You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your mind, and with all your strength,
and you shall love your neighbor as yourself."
--Jesus Christ*

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