

First United Methodist Church

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December 1, 2024 — December 7, 2024

"1st Sunday of Advent"

Usher/Greeter: Bob & Mary Whinnen Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Sharon Feichtenbiner Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Jack & Lynn LaRose Fellowship: Needed
Monthly Mission Noisy Offering: God's Country Community Ministry

Monday (12/2) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (12/3) Trustees 10 AM / Ad Council Special Meeting 11 AM
Wednesday (12/4)
Thursday (12/5) Simplified Accountability Structure Informational Meeting, Zoom 10 AM
Friday (12/6)
Saturday (12/7) UWIF Christmas Tea 1 PM, everyone is asked to bring an ornament to exchange

December 8, 2024 — December 14, 2024

"2nd Sunday of Advent"

Usher/Greeter: Needed Pianist/Organist: Cynthia Burgin
Liturgist: Janet Helmbold Children's Worship: Natalie G./Needed
Altar Flowers: Poinsettias Fellowship: Needed
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Sunday (12/8) Festival of Lessons and Carols 3 PM, St Francis deSales Catholic Church
Monday (12/9) Bible Study 11 AM / Prayer Group 12 PM
Tuesday (12/10) Ad Council 10 AM
Wednesday (12/11)
Thursday (12/12)
Friday (12/13)

Lectionary Calendar—Bible Study

12/1/24 Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:1-10 (UMH 756); 1 Thess 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

12/8/24 Mal 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79 (UMH 208); 36; Phil 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Penny Tracy & family concerns, Bill Tracy & family, Jesse Baker, Carol Weinert, Sandi Kolder, Martha Weeks, Barbara Schneider, Phyllis Burge, Curt & Celie Norton, Ted Burson, Mary Prater, Joel Prater, Lynn LaRose, Katie Putnam, Sharon V. & Celie N.'s brother, Kerry Billings family concerns, Michael Haynes, Connie Meade, Jo Nell Rubick, Connie Whatsitt, and unspoken requests.



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**"WE EXIST TO JOYFULLY SHARE GOD'S LOVE,
PREACH THE GOOD NEWS AND MAKE DISCIPLES."**



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“1st Sunday of Advent”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE: Love Came Down at Christmas arr. B. Price

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE Dan & Connie Kelsey

*PRAISE CHORUS: FWS 2090 (v. 1) Light the Advent Candle

PSALM 25:1-10

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**
 L: The days are coming when God will fulfill His promise to the people of Israel. Watch for the signs!
P: What promise is this, and what signs?
 L: God will cause a righteous Branch from David’s line to spring up. He will do what is just and right in the land. Be alert, and keep watch!
P: How shall we know this branch? What is His name?
 L: In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. He shall be called “The Lord Is Our Righteousness.”
P: Come, O Lord, come! The world is in desperate need of this Branch!

*OPENING HYMN: UMH 213 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

*APOSTLES’ CREED: UMH 881

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: UMH 196 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

*GOSPEL READING Luke 21:25-36

SERMON: Preparations

PRAYER TIME Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN: FWS 2193 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY: Coventry Carol—an English Melody arr. R.J. Hughes

*DOXOLOGY: UMH 95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

COMMUNION-SERVICE OF WORD & TABLE II Selected Hymns

*CLOSING HYMN: UMH 203 Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

*BENEDICTION

*PARTING HYMN: (front cover of hymnal) Go Now In Peace

POSTLUDE: Celebrate Christmas by R.J. Hughes

The Altar Rail is always open to all.

December Mission Noisy Offering—God’s Country Community Ministry
 GCCM is in the eastern part of the U.P.; it covers a 2500 square mile area. Communities of faith combine their resources, share their faith and, through their active presence, work to bring self-esteem, hope and faith to all God’s children throughout their vast parish. These goals are accomplished by mission trips, *Bible* studies, youth activities, leadership and training events, mission projects and missionaries.

God is working through us. Thank you for your support!

Bell Jinglers are needed for December 7th at TSC. Signup sheet is in the conference room.
This collection is distributed locally. Thank you for your support!

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)
 * PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE