

Welcome to Worship!

We pray that you feel the warmth and love of Christ as you enter and that you sense God's presence in worship. If there is anything we can do for you, please do not hesitate in letting us know. We are grateful having you today and hope you will consider coming again.

Sun. 12/17 Worship Services, 8 & 10AM
Sunday School for all Ages, 9AM
Choir Practice, 9:15AM

Tues. 12/19 Men's Prayer Group, 7AM
Finance Meeting, 8AM
Zumba, 4:30PM
Celebrate Recovery, depart at 5PM
AA, 7PM Al-Anon, 7PM

Thurs. 12/21 Zumba, 4:30PM

Fri. 12/22 Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10AM

Sat. 12/23 AA, 7PM

Sun. 12/24 Worship Services, 8 & 10AM
Sunday School for all Ages, 9AM
Communion Candlelight Service, 5:30PM

WORDS OF THANKS

We would like to thank the congregation for your generosity in support of the White Christmas Offering for the United Methodist Children's Home. Your gifts totaled \$656.00 and will go far to help the children in residence there. You continue to be a blessing to others near and far and truly do "Reach Out with God's Love".

LUMC CHRISTMAS POST OFFICE

Drop your Christmas greeting cards off to people in your church family at our "Post Office" set up in the foyer of the Fellowship Building. Be sure to check often for greetings from others. If you have a neighbor who is part of our church family who is homebound and you can deliver their cards to them it would be appreciated. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION AND CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 5:30PM

CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER Gather at 12:30PM, Eat at 1

Sign-up sheets are available on the Opportunity Table and on the counter in the Fellowship Hall. It is important to sign up so that adequate portions can be prepared. The church will provide ham, drinks and tableware. You are asked to bring a dish that will serve at least 8.

Lillian
United Methodist Church
REACHING OUT WITH GOD'S LOVE

Third Sunday of Advent

PEACE

December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Please sign the registration pad ! Thank you!

* **HYMN # 234** "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

CANDLELIGHTING CEREMONY (SEE INSERT)

* **Affirmation of Faith** "The Apostles Creed" # 881

CELEBRATION OF BEING STEWARDS OF GOD

OFFERTORY MUSIC Blake Riley, Minister of Music

Doxology #95 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost.*

"God Bless America" "God bless America, land that I love, Stand beside her and guide her, Through the night with the light from above. From the mountains to the prairies, to the oceans white with foam, God bless America, my home sweet home, God bless America, my home sweet home".

HYMN # 229 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

MESSAGE IN SONG "CHRISTMAS MUSICAL" Adult Choir

HYMN # 238 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

* **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER** *Lord, come to the manger of my heart and fill me with Your presence from the very start. As I prepare for the holidays and gifts to be given, remind me of the gift You gave when You sent Your Son from Heaven. The first Christmas gift, it was the greatest gift ever. You came as a baby born in a manger. Wrapped like the gifts I find under my tree, waiting to be opened, to reveal Your love to me. Restore to me the wonder that came with Jesus' birth, When He left the riches of Heaven and wrapped Himself in rags of earth. Dwell within and around me, as I unwrap Your presence each day. Keep me close to You, Lord. It's in Your wonderful Name I pray.*

* **BENEDICTION HYMN #204** "Emmanuel, Emmanuel"
"Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel. God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel."

Please take this time to offer one another signs of Christ's Love and Reconciliation as we depart to fulfill the mission of Christ.

* *Please stand, if able.*

IN HIS SERVICE

8AM Ushers: Ann Brock / Brenda Nicolaison

10AM Greeters: Nelson & Becky Beech

10AM Ushers: Judy Covert / Evelyn Duckworth

Outreach: Luellen Sutton

Counters: Jane Harper & Charlie Clark

Nursery Available from 8AM - 11AM for Birth to 3yrs .
A cry room is located at the back of the sanctuary. Children's Church for ages 4 yrs. thru 1st grade dismiss from sanctuary after Children's Moment. Activity Bags for ages 7-10 are located on the Opportunity Table for children remaining in sanctuary worship.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary!

17 Joanne Kish 17 Eleanor Stewart 18 Vince Meccia

20 Nina Rogers 21 Cheryl Hoffman 22 Sara Laibe

23 Shannon Widener

20 Bruce & Nelda Clements

PRAYER CONCERNS

Barbara Klinger	Jason Ward	Jay Dufer	Larriebea Oase
Ron Speck	Jean Dean	Dennis Fletcher	Tom Canaday
Bob Harris	Hugh Helms	Dan Freeze	Bill Cassidy
Jan Wills	Bill Suttle	Jacqie Harding	Chris Woosley
Priscilla Westgate	Hugh Helms	Jean Dean	Bob Harris

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