November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

Musician: Laurie Helmers

Director of Children, Youth, and Outreach: Kristin

Gontea

Rev. Laura M. Nordstrom

*Please stand in body and spirit

Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle+++

Call to Worship++ (Isaiah 2, Romans 13)

*Opening Hymn "All Earth Is Waiting to See the Promised One" [Toda la Tierra Espera al Salvador] (UMH 210)

> **Time of Centering++** (Psalm 122) God is here. There is peace and security in this place.

Prayer of Yearning++ (Isaiah 2, Romans 13, Matthew 24)

Words of Assurance++ (Psalm 122)

Message for the Children

Hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (UMH 218; verses 1 & 4)

Prayer of Illumination (Jeremiah 29)

The Lesson Isaiah 2:1-5

The Message "Walking in the Light"

Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

*Doxology (UMH 95)

*Benediction+++

*Closing Hymn "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (UMH 220; verses 1 & 4)

Postlude

Going Forth!

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SUMC CALENDAR

Sunday, November 30: 9-10am Worship; 10:15-11am Christmas Program Practice

Monday, December 1: 9am-noon Office Open – Pastor Laura/Kristin; 12:30pm UWIF Christmas Luncheon; 4-7pm Salvation Army Bell Ringing @ Fareway (Stewartville); 7-8:15pm Online Advent Study

Wednesday, December 3: 6:30-8pm Youth Small Groups Thursday, December 4: 6-8pm Racine Food Shelf Friday, December 5: All day – Sermon Prep (P. Laura) Saturday, December 6: All day – Sabbath/Family Time (P. Laura); 3-5pm Holiday Food Basket for Those in Need Sunday, December 7: 9-10am Worship – Confirmation-Mentor Sunday; 10:15-11am Christmas Program Practice

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, December 12: 6pm Creative Arts Ministry Holiday Recital

Saturday, December 13: 10am-3pm Holiday Craft Show **Sunday, December 14:** 9am Christmas Program; Annual Holiday Bake Sale

SUMC NOTES

~Prayers~

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