



We would like to welcome everyone to our worship services today. We are honored that you have come to worship with us. For you who are visitors, I am Pastor Kevin Gingerich, and if I can assist you in any way, please let me know. You may call the church

office at 324-4894, between the hours of 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A few things you should know as you worship with us: We have a nursery available during the Traditional and Modern Worship services for children ages 0 - 3 down the

### Our Mission:

*"To Glorify God By Making Disciples For Jesus Christ"*

### Our Vision:

*"To open our hearts and doors to all people with love and acceptance; inviting them into a relationship with Christ, and each other; encouraging and empowering them as followers of Christ to love as He loved us; and sending them by the power of the Holy Spirit to live the word of God in our homes, community and world."*

Connect with SUMC Online:

**Website:** [www.sheldonumc.org](http://www.sheldonumc.org)

Audio and video sermons, bulletins, and newsletters are available on the church website.

**Facebook** SheldonUMC

### Church Staff:

**Rev. Kevin Gingerich**, Senior Pastor  
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**Rosa Koerselman**, Church Secretary  
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Church office hours are Monday - Thursday  
Mon 8:15-2:30 Tues-Fri 8:15-3:30

**Ron Noack**, Custodian

Deadline for putting announcements in the bulletin is every Tuesday by noon. Newsletter information needs to be in the church office by the 21st of every month. The church phone number is 712-324-4894.

## Welcome to the Sheldon United Methodist Church



**Traditional Worship 8:30 am**  
**Modern Worship 11:00 am**

December 11, 2022

**506 8th Street, Sheldon, IA 51201**  
**712.324.4893 ∞ 712.324.4894**  
**[sumc@nethtc.net](mailto:sumc@nethtc.net)**

## This Week at SUMC (12-11-12-18)

**Sun.** 8:30 AM Traditional (Bells)  
9:30 AM Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Modern  
4:00 PM Christmas Program  
8:00 PM Youth Bible Study

**Mon.**  
**Tues.** 9:00 AM Staff  
9:00 AM Village  
3:30-5:00 PM 3/4 kids club

**Wed.** 9:00 AM Bible Study  
2:30 PM Confirmation  
4:00 PM Jr High Impact  
5:00 PM Bells  
6:30 PM Missions  
7:00 PM Ad Board  
8:00 PM Sr High Impact

**Thus.** 9:30 AM Quilters  
3:30-5:00 PM 5/6 kids club  
6:00 PM Love INC.

**Fri.** Church Reserved  
**Sat.** 3:00 PM Wedding  
**Sun.** 8:30 AM Traditional  
9:30 AM Fellowship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Modern  
4:00-7:00 PM Kitchen/Fellowship hall reserved  
7:00 PM Youth gift Wrapping

## Prayer List:

Otto Lawson Derick Roos Rita Sterler  
Bob Sterler Carla Hoffmann  
Gloria Morris Arlene Sterler  
Wilma Meinecke  
Jo Anne Fowler (mother of Steve Fowler)  
Elaine & Jim Ver Meer (sister & brother-in-law of Peter & Peter and Karin Vanden Berg)  
Sheila Lienau (sister of Karin Vanden Berg)  
Stephanie Fowler (Daughter of Steve & Bernadette Fowler)  
Kay Ver Steeg (sister to Michelle Groen & Melissa Davis)  
Connie Matoffe (sister of Pam Buysman)

## Areas of Service for November & December

### Liturgists:

December 11- Ashley Hoogland  
December 18- Judy Nieuwenhuis  
December 25- Barb Merley

### Coffee Bar Clean up:

December 11- Fred & Bonnie Hillbrands  
December 18- Barb Merley  
December 25- No Coffee bar

### Worship Leader:

December 11- Ardis Grein  
December 18- Bill Bosclajon  
December 25- Bill Bosclajon

Our sincerest sympathy and deepest sorrow for the late posting to Sharon Duncanson on the loss of her brother in law.



## Christmas program

We will be doing our Children's Christmas Program on December 11<sup>th</sup>, at 4 pm. Please have Children that are in the program here and in the gym by 3:30 PM. Please join us after the program to have some cake to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

**Love offering:** In this special season of sharing, we want to especially remember Pastor Kevin and our faithful church staff-Michelle, Jacob, Rosa, & Ron. Through their dedication our church offers so much to each of us and reaches out in love to our community and beyond. Join us in showing our appreciation for the blessing they bring by giving a "Love Offering" for Christmas. Gifts may be placed at the church office in the enclosed envelope, or in the offering plate by, Dec. 18th. Thank you for your love and support.

SPRC Committee

Our deepest sympathy to the Mark Becker family on the loss of his father Donald Becker.



A special Christmas choir We will be providing special music at BOTH service's on Dec. 18.

Reminder to send birthday cards to Otto Lawson for his 90th birthday card shower before Dec 18th. Otto & Robin Lawson 1015 W. Sam Houston Pharr #101, TX 78577

## December Specials:

December 11 — 4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program  
December 18 — 8:30 a.m and 11:00 am service a Christmas Choir  
December 24 — 5:00 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
7:00 p.m. A Traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service  
December 25 — 8:30 a.m. Christmas Morning Service

## Ugly Christmas Sweater Day

Sunday December 18th

we encourage everyone to attend church wearing your ugly Christmas sweater.



ST. Pats Church in Sheldon is holding its soup and pie supper on Monday Dec. 12 from 5:00-7:00 PM. Free will offering

Sheldon Christian School children's Christmas program



Error on the Newsletter calendar the Christmas Morning service is at 8:30 NOT 9:30 sorry to cause confusion!



KIWA is a ministry service to our community that airs the worship at 11:00 a.m. each week. There is no sponsorship

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE IS:  
Matthew 11:2-11



## Reminder to vote

Be sure to only check one box beside the name you would like the new congregation to be called. You can put your completed ballot in the suggestion box on the Friendship Center, in the offering plate, email Rosa sumc@nethtc.net, or drop off at Rosa's office by noon on December 14, 2022.

**Sheldon United Methodist Church**  
**8:30 Traditional Service**

December 11, 2022      3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

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Prelude & Lighting of Candles

Words of Welcome      Rev. Kevin Gingerich

Hymn #196 (vs.1) “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

Lighting of Advent Candle of Joy  
Cory Hoogland Family

Hymn #196 (vs.2) “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”

**\*\*Call To Worship**

Leader: We have twenty centuries of church history  
giving evidence that Jesus is the Christ, the  
promised Messiah.

**People: We have heard from others, and we have  
seen for ourselves, what wonderful things  
God does through his Son Jesus, our Savior.**

Leader: Truly, God is present in his Son to heal the  
brokenness of his world!

**People: Jesus is our Lord, the Messiah who brings  
God's salvation to us!**

**\*\*Hymn #246 “Joy To The World”**

Children’s Message

Silent Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (Hymnal #895)

~~Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom~~  
come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day  
our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us. And  
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

**\*\*Hymn #234 “O Come, All Ye Faithful” (vss. 1-3)**

**\*\*Doxology (Hymn #95)**

Scripture: Matthew 11:2-11

Sermon: “Waiting on the Promise – Searching”

**\*\*Hymn #249 “There’s A Song In The Air”**

**\*\*Closing Prayer**

\*All who are able are invited to stand.

Next Week: Waiting on the Promise

December 18      Advent 4 – Peace

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon: “Waiting on the Promise – Dreaming”