



We would like to welcome everyone to our worship services today. We are honored that you have come to worship with us. For those 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 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday .

We have a nursery available during the Traditional and Modern Worship services for children ages 0 - 3. It is located

down the hall across from the restrooms by south entrance.

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.”

Church Staff:

Rev. Kevin Gingerich, Senior Pastor
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Church office hours:
Mon 8:15 AM-2:30 PM,
Tues-Fri 8:15 AM-3:30 PM

Ron Noack, Custodian

The 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.

Connect with us Online:

Website: **sheldonfaith.org**

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

Facebook: Faith Community Church Of Sheldon

YouTube: Faith Community Church of Sheldon

Welcome to Faith Community Church



Traditional Worship 8:30 AM
Modern Worship 11:00 AM

December 3, 2023

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This Week at Faith Community Church

(12-03/12-10)

- Sun. Communion
8:30 AM Traditional Service
9:30 AM Fellowship
9:40 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Modern Service
2:00-8:00 PM fellowship hall, gym, and kitchen reserved
- Mon.
- Tues. 9:00 AM Staff
3:30-5:00 PM 3rd/4th Grade Kids Club
6:00 Faith Community Women
- Wed. 2:30-4:00 PM Confirmation
4:00-5:30 PM JR High IMPACT
5:30 Education
8:00-9:30 PM SR High IMPACT
- Thurs. 3:30-5:00 PM 5th/6th Grade Kids Club
6:00 PM Love INC
- Fri.
- Sat.
- Sun. 8:30 AM Traditional Service
9:30 AM Fellowship
9:40 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Modern Service
4:00-9:00 PM College Connections

Prayer List:

Otto Lawson Derick Roos Gloria Morris
Bonnie Baartman Duane Wahlstrom
Jim (Skip) Schipper
Eli Sims (grandson of Rich Haack)
Jo Anne Fowler (mother of Steve Fowler)
Stephanie Fowler (Daughter of Steve & Bernadette Fowler)
Sheila Lienau (sister of Karin Vanden Berg)
Donna Whitfield (Mother of Michelle Noack)
Sue Radke- (Mother of Matt & Jody Radke)
Duane Gingerich- (Father of Pastor Kevin and Sue)

Areas of Service for December

Communion

3. Verilyn Schilling & Pat Merrill

8:30 AM Greeters:

3. Julie B
10. Chris & Liz S
17. Christmas program
24. Julie B
31. One 10:00 AM Service

8:30 AM Acolyte:

3. Jack B/Tyler H
10. Benjamin/William F
17. Christmas program
24. Eli B/Bo H
31. One 10:00 AM Service

Liturgist:

3. Ardis G
10. Steve F
17. Bill B
24. Matt R
31. Barb M

Song Leader:

3. Ardis G
10. Ardis G
17. Bill B
24. Bill B 7 PM
31. Ardis 11 AM

11:00 AM Greeters:

3. Peter & Karin VB
10. Jason & Amanda N
17. Christmas program
24. Heath & Rosa K
31. One 10:00 AM Service

11:00 AM Acolyte:

3. Caleb S/Wyatt G
10. Aubrie K/Jadelyn S
17. Christmas program
24. Tallulah/Lydia O
31. One 10:00 AM Service

Coffee Bar Clean up:

3. Peter & Karin VB
10. Henry & Carolyn D
17. No Coffee Bar
24. Barb M
31. No Coffee Bar

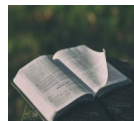
Advent Reading and Candle Lighting

8:30 AM Service

3. Brink Family
10. Subart/Frahm Family
17. Noteboom Family
24. McCuddin Family
24. 5:00 PM Candle Light Service Noack Family

11:00 AM Service

3. Oldenkamp Family
10. Giese Family
17. Noteboom Family
24. Simpson Family



This week's scripture is:
Mark 13:24-37



KIWA is a ministry service to our community that airs the worship at 11:00 AM each week. This week we don't have a sponsor.

Faith Community Women's Christmas Bake Sale:

Saturday, December 16th beginning at 9:00 AM - ?? We are asking you to do your baking at home and bring it to the church by NOON on Friday, December 15th. Please bring your favorite Christmas or other treats for the Faith Community Woman to sell for others to enjoy. If you would like recipe ideas, there are sheets with recipe ideas at the Friendship Center.



2024 Calendars

The Church office has some Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien County calendars available for \$10.00. All the pictures in it are done by our local photographer Dean Hanson. All the proceeds stay local. They make a great

Crunch For a Cause

Sheldon Taco Johns is teaming up Conquering Cancer 4 O'Brien County on Monday, December 4th from 3:00-7:00 PM. Taco Johns will donate a percentage back of all sales during this event.

ATTENTION: In the new year 2024, the church is going to be implementing a new Church Management software program called Planning Center. This will integrate all the different systems that we are using now. We are working hard to get this up and going. Hopefully the transition will go smoothly. We may be asking people for email addresses. Those in VANCO (online giving) may be asked to resubmit their information. There will be more information as we roll out this program. Please be patient as we change over. Thanks.

December Reminders:

17th- No Sunday School and JUST one service at 10:00 AM led only by the Sunday School children
24th- No Sunday School, a regular morning with a 5:00 PM candle light service
31st- No Sunday School and only one 10:00 AM service



Love Offering

The Administrative Council invites you to help show our appreciation and love to our church staff members this Christmas season. With the resignation of our youth pastor and technology support person, our current staff members have graciously stepped into different roles to continue our ministries beyond their own job demands. Please mark any donation you choose to give as "Staff Love Offering".

Adult Sunday School

The adult Sunday School has begun an advent series called "Who Needs Christmas" by Andy Stanley. If you want to learn more about the Christmas Story, and take a different look at it, please join us during the Sunday school time. We believe you will enjoy this take on the Christmas story.

Faith Community Church Worship Service

December 3, 2023

Communion

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Prelude

Pam Kobbe

Lighting of Candles

Words of Welcome

Rev. Kevin Gingerich

Hymn #153 “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” (vs.1)

Lighting of Advent Candle of Hope

Jari Brink Family

Hymn #153 “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” (vs.2)

*Call To Worship

Leader: Let us come together and worship, all who
keep watch for the Lord!

**People: We are keepers of the Lord's house and we
await Christ's return.**

Leader: But no one knows either the day or the hour of
that return except God.

**People: Then we must wait and always watch so we
are not found lacking on that day!**

**Hymn #176 “Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates”

Children’s Sermon

**Hymn #191 “It Came Upon The Midnight Clear”

Scripture Reading: Mark 13:24-37

Sermon: Wait – Watchers
“What We Wait For”

Service of Holy Communion:

Breaking of Bread/Blessing of Cup

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(We have open communion, so all who have a faith in
Jesus as Lord are welcomed to the table. Please come down the
center aisle, place your offering in the plates near the front pew,
receive the bread and cup, and return by the side aisle. There are
gluten free wafers available on the stand beside the piano. If you
would like the pastor to serve you in the pew, please alert one of the
ushers.)

**Hymn #218 “Go, Tell It On The Mountain”

**Closing Prayer

**All who are able are invited to stand.

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Next Week: Wait – Watchers

December 10:

Scripture: Mark 1:1-8; John 1:6-8, 19-28

Sermon: Where Do We Begin?