

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

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

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Church Staff:

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Michelle Noack, Children's Director sumcchildren@nethtc.net

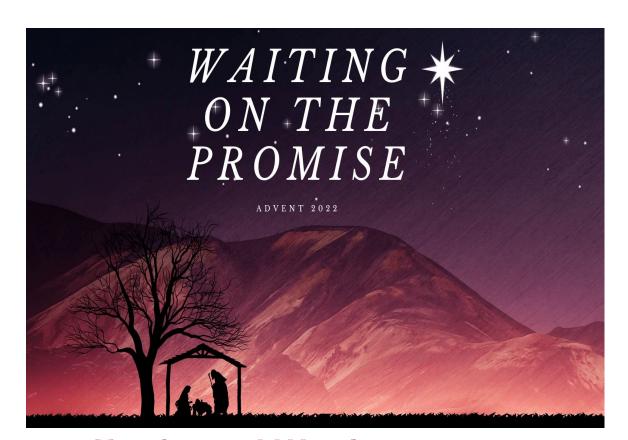
Rosa Koerselman, Church Secretary sumc@nethtc.net

Church office hours are Monday -Thursday Mon 8:15-2:30 Tues-Fri 8:15-3:3:30

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 4, 2022

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This Week at SUMC (12-04-12-11)

Communion Sun. 8:30 AM Traditional 9:30 AM Fellowship 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Modern 8:00 PM Youth Bible Study Mon. 7:00 Trustees Tues. 9:00 AM Staff 9:00 Am Village 3:30-5:00 PM 3/4 kids club Wed. 9:00 AM Bible Study 9:30-11:00 AM Mom to Mom 2:30 PM Confirmation 4:00 PM Jr High Impact 5:00 PM Bells 5:30 Education 8:00 PM Sr High Impact 3:30-5:00 PM 5/6 kids club Thus. 6:00 PM Love INC. Fri. UMW Bake sale set up Sat. 9:00-noon UMW Bake Sale 4:00 PM Catherine Dunn Funeral Sun. 8:30 AM Traditional (Bells) 9:30 AM Fellowship 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Modern 4:00 PM Christmas Program



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

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE IS: **MATTHEW 3:1-12**

8:00 PM Youth Bible Study



Prayer List:

Derick Roos Rita Sterler Otto Lawson **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

Kay Ver Steeg (sister to Michelle Groen & Melissa

Connie Matoffe (sister of Pam Buysman)

Chad Schwartz- Surgery

Areas of Service for November & December

Liturgists:

December 4- Matt Rusche December 11- Ashley Hoogland December 18- Judy Nieuwenhuis December 25-Barb Merlev

Coffee Bar Clean up:

December 4- Tony & Deb Haning

December 11- Fred & Bonnie Hillbrands

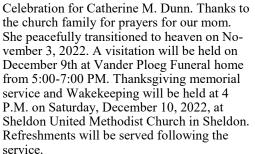
December 18-Barb Merley December 25- No Coffee bar

Worship Leader:

December 4- Ardis Grein **December 11- Ardis Grein** December 18- Bill Bosclajon December 25- Bill Bosclajon

Uals Christmas Sweater Day

Sunday December 18th we encourage everyone to attend church wearing Rien anok Christmas sweater.



We want to thank all of our church family for all the love and support this past month after the loss of our son Feenix. We greatly appreciate the wonderful meals, cards, pray-

The Ross Family Scott, Kayla, Rex, Jaxson, and Huxley

"Waiting on the Promise"

Advent 2023

Advent is the season prior to Christmas that we spend preparing our souls for the coming of Jesus. It is not only about his first coming, it is also a time to prepare for the promised second coming of Jesus, which is a future event.

Our theme this year is "Waiting on the Promise". Each week we will explore a different scripture reading from Matthew as we await with eagerness God's fulfillment of His promise to us through the prophets, John the revealer, and Jesus himself. Several families have agreed to light the can-

dles of Advent, which remind us of the Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace of this season.

December Specials:

December 4 — Communion Sunday

December 11 — 4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program

December 18 — 8:30 a.m. 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

Christmas program- We will be doing our Children's Christmas Program on December 11th, at 4 pm. Please join us after the program to have some cake to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

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

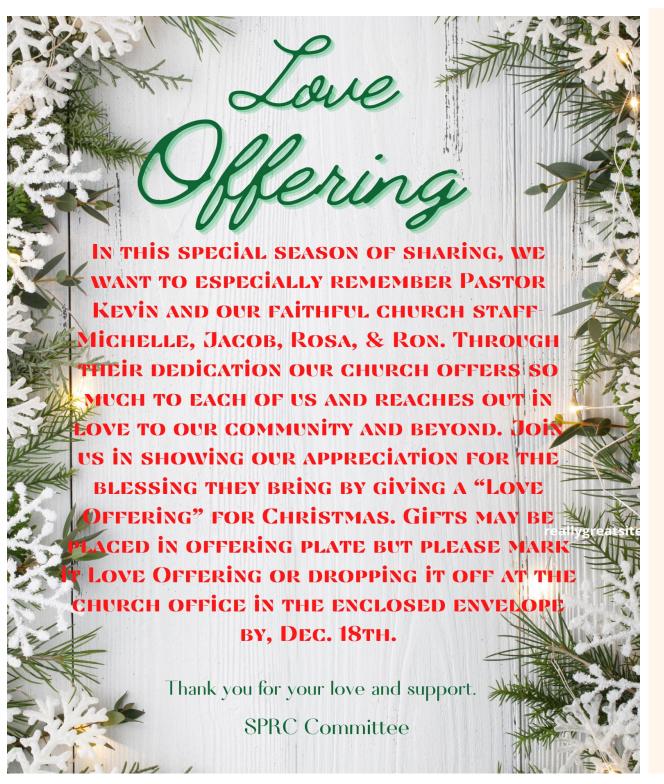
Kids Bell Practice

December 4th, and 11th during whatever service it is you attend, after the children's sermon, Wil will be taking the kids that will be taking part in the Christmas program on December 11th and having them practice bells while Pastor is preaching the sermon to the adults.

Calling all Singers

We are inviting all people who enjoy singing to join us for a special Christmas choir. We will be providing special music at the 1st service on Dec. 18. Practices will be Wednesday evenings







Sheldon United Methodist Church 8:30 Modern Service

December 4, 2022 2nd Sunday of Advent

Prelude & Lighting of Candles

Words of Welcome Rev. Kevin Gingerich

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

Lighting of Advent Candle of Love Chris Subart Family

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

**Call To Worship

Leader: Let us all give praise with gladness and joy.

People: This is our God, on whom we have waited for our salvation.

Leader: For the Lord is near to all who call upon God in love and truth.

People: The Lord is indeed our Help and the Holy One who delivers us.

Leader: Let us shout the message for all to hear of God's mercy and grace.

**Hymn #211 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1-4)

Children's Message

Scripture: Matthew 3:1-12

Sermon: "Waiting on the Promise – Hard Words"

Service of Holy Communion:

The Great Thanksgiving 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 by the piano. If you would like the pastor to serve you in the pew, please alert one of the ushers.)

Prayer after Communion

**Hymn #219 "What Child Is This"

**Closing Prayer

*All who are able are invited to stand.

Next Week: Waiting on the Promise

December 11 Advent 3 – Joy

Scripture: Matthew 11:2-11

Sermon: "Waiting on the Promise – Searching"

4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Program