

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH
December 1st, 2019
The 1st Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP

Led by Nancy VanEtten

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is PEACE.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is HOPE.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is JOY.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is LOVE.

Leader: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in the place,

ALL: *And we know that it's the Spirit of the Lord!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY FOR THE 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

***HYMN** *"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"* **UMH #211 vs. 1**

A PRAYER TOGETHER *"Psalm 122"* **UMH pg. 845**
Led by Nancy VanEtten

HYMN *"Glory Be to the Father"* **UMH #70**

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Amazing Grace"* Bell Choir

A TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

***Please join us after worship downstairs in the
Dining Room for Fellowship Hour.
There is always great conversation and
good food to share!!***

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rev. Mike Kelly
Nancy VanEtten
Claire Smock

Pastor
Liturgist
Organist

SERVING YOU TODAY

Jim Metz, Cheryl
Rusty Dye
Marvin Lee, Dan Towns, Rusty Dye

Greeters
Head Usher
Ushers

TODAY'S BULLETINS

Today's bulletins are given by Mary Molewski in celebration of Betty Darcangelo's birthday, December 4.

IN MEMORY

In lighting the candle on the altar, we keep in our thoughts and prayers those who have gone before us: Doris Batchelder (12/6/2010).

UMW CHRISTMAS DINNER

The women's annual Christmas Dinner will be held Tuesday, December 3, 6:00 pm. The men of the church will be cooking a roast beef dinner with all the fixings. Cost is \$12. If attending, please indicate how many on the sign-up sheet or see Vida.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Attention all men of the church! You are invited to the annual Men's Christmas breakfast on Saturday, December 7, 8:30 am at the Central Restaurant in Painted Post. Please let Rusty Dye or Rick Bostwick know if you will be attending.

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS

Make sure you wear an ugly Christmas sweater next Sunday, December 8, to worship. Let's see how many crazy sweaters are out there!!

KETTLE RINGING

Grace UMC will once again help the Salvation Army with the Red Kettle program on Friday, December 13, 12-4, at Wal-Mart. If interested in helping, please see Dave Johnson.

COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 14, 1-3. Sponsored by our young people, for ages 12 and under. There will be crafts, lunch and a visit from Santa Claus. If you are able to help out or can donate a gift for Santa to hand out, please let Pastor Mike or Pam know.

SUPPER CLUB

December's Supper Club will be held on Saturday, December 14, 6:00 pm at the Central Restaurant. Please make reservations with Pat Edger (368-2726).

*Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 8:00 PM*

FREE CPR TRAINING

On Tuesday, December 10, 5:30-7:00 PM at the Corning Hospital, a Family and Friends CPR training will take place. The Adult Hands-Only CPR/AED portion of the class is approximately 25 minutes long. To register, call 570-887-6390 or email Bethany.Altieri@Guthrie.org.

ANGEL PROGRAM

Grace Church will once again be helping the Salvation Army with their Angel program. If you would like to make this Christmas a little brighter for the youth in our area, please see Dave & Nancy Johnson for an Angel. Gifts need to be returned by December 8.

UMW FOOD COLLECTION

The UMW has committed to aiding those in need by collecting items for the local food pantry. We encourage you to give canned goods and other non-perishable items each month. Your gifts may be placed in the cabinet located in the narthex. **Canned Vegetables** are highlighted for December.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

Grace Church provides an emergency food pantry for those who find themselves in situations where they have no food and are not able to get to our local food pantries. The items for this pantry will be on a shelving unit in the nursery. Donations can be brought into church during office hours.

DECEMBER 1 - 8

- Sunday** 9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship Hour, DR
Hosts: Pat Edger
10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, L
10:45 AM Sunday School Classes
- Monday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
6:00 PM NA, DR
6:00 PM Men's Group, L/K
6:15 PM Girl Scouts, 204
- Tuesday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
6:00 PM Adult Children of Alcoholics, Nursery
6:00 PM UMW Christmas Dinner, DR
7:00 PM Harmonious Choir, S
- Wednesday** 10:00 AM NA Study Group, 205
12:00 PM AA, 201
6:00 PM Bell Rehearsal, S
6:00 PM Boy Scouts, DR/RH
7:00 PM Choir, BC
- Thursday** 9:00 AM WIC, DR
12:00 PM AA, 201
- Friday** 12:00 PM AA, 201
6:00 PM NA, DR
- Saturday** **8:30 AM Men's Christmas Breakfast, Central**
12:00 PM AA, 201
5:00 PM Boy Scouts, RH
- Sunday** 9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship Hour, DR
Hosts: Rick Bostwick, Betty Lou Taynton
10:30 AM Adult Sunday School, L
10:45 AM Sunday School Classes

JOYS AND CONCERNS

To share Joys and Concerns, please write on the Connection Card your prayer requests and/or joys at the beginning of the service. An usher will then collect the Connection Cards during the first hymn and put them on the altar to be lifted up in prayer. If you don't have a joy/concern this week, we ask that you still fill out the Connection Card with your name and hand it in during the offertory.

PRAYER LIST

Please take a look at the prayer list and military list below. If you know of anyone that can be taken off the list, please let the church office know. Thank you.

IN OUR PRAYERS: The names in parenthesis are those requesting the prayers.

Sangho Chu (Hyung Lee), Irene Church, The Clark Family (Rusty Dye), Amy Dernier (Hyung Lee), Pete Fratarcangelo, Sandy Gardner (Sandy Bartos), Eric Gustafson (Rick Bostwick), Bill Habelt (Betty Breuilly), Marie Harding (Doris Bempkins), Peter Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Rev. Glenn Kennedy, Anne Martin (Pat Edger) MaryJo Mattison, Bob McPherson, Sally McPherson, Tom & Shirley Nellis, Dan O'Connell, Jeff O'Connell, Dr. Park (Hyung Lee), Lorraine Smith, Brian Strong (Sandy Bartos), Bryn Terwilliger, Victoria Walrath, Stefani Weiskopff (Hope Johnson), Nakita (Sandy Tubbs)

IN OUR HEARTS: Cards and calls are always appreciated.

Absolut Care (Three Rivers): Dagmar Cedar, Edith Holmes, Sally Hovey

Appleridge: Fran Toby

Bethany: Diane Hilliard

Brookdale (Green Meadows): Nora Jungquist

Corning Center For Rehabilitation & Healthcare (Founders): Mason Bennett

THOSE IN THE SERVICE: Lt. Commander Chase Johnson (Navy, Helen Mattison), Nick Stead (Marines), Christopher Wensel