United Methodist Church (587-9544) North Rose, New York December 2, 2012 First Sunday of Advent

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PRELUDE

"On Christmas Night"

Paxton

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

(Please pass the Fellowship Folders to those seated next to you.)

(If you have difficulty hearing, small earphones receptors from the sound system are available from the sound board operator.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 9: 6

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

"Peace be with you." "And also with you."

*HYMNS OF PRAISE

"Jesus, Name Above All Names" "Jesus, Stand Among Us"

(* invites all who are able to stand to praise God)

SILENT PRAYER/PRAYER BOX PLACED ON ALTAR

OPENING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

Cindy & Jennie Conboy, Bud & Lucy Smith

SONG "Advent Song" (back of hymnal—verse 1)

SCRIPTURE Matthew 1: 18-25 p. 835

CHRISTMAS JAR Brittany Fordham

JR. CHOIR ANTHEM "Good News" Sleeth

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

(Afterwards, kids age 3 through Grade 5 are welcome to go to J4J.)

*HYMN "Joy to the World" p. 246 (verses 1,3,4)

SHARING OUR JOYS & PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM "Advent Hope" Martin

OFFERTORY PRAYER

MESSAGE "God's Gift: Salvation"

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Consecration

Giving of the Bread and Cup

(We invite you to use this time for quiet meditation, so that all have time to draw closer to God and to enjoy the music by Ken & Kim Dobbin.)

*Prayer after Receiving (in unison):

You have given yourself to us, Lord,

Now we give ourselves for others.

Your love has made us a new people.

As a people of love we will serve you with joy.

Your glory has filled our hearts;

Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen.

*PRAYER OF BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (sung by all)

O holy Child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray; Cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

*POSTLUDE "Christmas Remembered" Mansfield We welcome those who love God and believe in Jesus Christ to join with us in receiving Holy Communion. We welcome people of all ages and religious denominations, since we believe that Christ lived and died for us all. We will receive Communion at the altar rail—feel free to kneel or stand. Please note that there is gluten-free bread available in the small white paper cups. We invite you to eat the bread and drink the grape juice as they are handed to you. You are welcome to remain at the altar rail to pray as long as you wish. Please come to the front following the direction of the ushers and return by the side aisles. If you would prefer to be served in the pew, let one of the ushers know.

Friendly NURSERY CARE for pre-school children is available anytime from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. It is located downstairs at the east end of the building.

We heartily welcome all visitors here this morning and hope you will return to worship with us again! Please sign the guest book by the front door. You are invited to remain after the service and enjoy conversation with one another. Coffee is available downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Today is the deadline for collecting mittens, hats, and scarves for the Mitten Tree Project to be shared with the Utica Neighborhood Center.

The UMW will meet on Sat. Dec. 8, at 9:00 a.m. at the home of Gloria Petrosino, 10683 Valley Dr, Rose, for a special Christmas program.

Don't Miss the

WESLEY THRIFT SHOP HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA!

Now thru Dec. 22; Fri. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm; Sat. – 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. COLLECTIBLES (Dolls * Tea Sets * Bears * Plates); ANTIQUES-GLASSWARE-HOUSEHOLD–KITCHEN-FURNITURE-TOYS – BOOKS-WINTER CLOTHING (ALL SIZES)

CHRISTMAS SHOPPE. LOTS & LOTS & LOTS MORE.

<u>The Christmas Poinsettias on the altar today</u> are in loving memory of Robert S. Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Sidler, and Howard & Mildred Sidler, by Nina S. Johnson and Susan Darling.

We are planning to raise money for the 2012 Vacation Bible School by having bake sales every two months. Our next bake sale will be next Sunday, December 9. We need people to bake items for the sale and people to buy. Thanks for supporting this great event! Any questions, please see Cindy Conboy, faithwaltz@yahoo.com.

Every year many beautiful poinsettias adorn the Sanctuary of the Church on Christmas Sunday and Christmas Eve. Again this year, you have the opportunity to purchase Memorial Plants for the holidays. There are order forms for **Christmas poinsettias** on the table at the bottom of the stairs in the Fellowship Hall. (So that we can have all orders processed in time, please return them to Melissa Taber by Mon. Dec. 10.) Thank you.

FAITH HOME: Each week we list an activity that you can enjoy as a family to help us all grow in faith. Make an advent wreath to use each Sunday. (A simple advent candle service is available on the library table or by contacting the church office.)

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week: Lois Loveless; Dan & Lisa, Layna Loveless; Dale Loveless; Glen & Ella Loveless; Jessica Loveless.

ATTENTION: The state troopers asked us to encourage everyone to lock their cars when they are parked here at church. They have received reports of belongings being stolen from unlocked cars.

Our thanks to Ken & Kim Dobbin for sharing their musical talents with us today.

<u>Today</u> – <u>11:30 a.m.</u> Fellowship Time/ Mitten Tree Deadline <u>6:00 -7:30 p.m.</u> MS Youth Group: "Advent"

Monday – 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal

<u>Tuesday</u> – <u>3:20-4:30 p.m.</u> Jr. Choir Rehearsal <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Trustees

<u>Thursday</u> – 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

<u>Saturday</u> – 9:00 a.m. UMWomen at Gloria Petrosino's (10683 Valley Dr., Rose)

Sun. Dec. 9 – Second Sunday of Advent; Adult Handbells

New Jersey Hurricane Relief Special Offering; No Hymn Handbells

9:15 a.m. MS & HS Youth/Adult Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship: "Mary & Joseph's Gift: Love" Luke 2: 1-7 J4J – Joyful for Jesus (Children's Sunday School)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time/VBS Bake Sale

3:00-5:00 p.m. Holiday Concert @ Wolcott Presbyterian Church Soloists include Noah Barnes & Kelley Loveless

<u>6:00 -7:30 p.m.</u> MS Youth Group: Washington, DC Trip Information Night

Mon. Dec. 10 – 9:00 a.m. Poinsettia Order Deadline 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal

<u>Tues. Dec. 11</u> – <u>3:20-4:30 p.m.</u> Jr. Choir Rehearsal

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Pastor: Rev. Dan Corretore Pastor's Office Assistant: Melissa Taber

Praise Music: Ken & Kim Dobbin Accompanist: Kim Dobbin

Organist: Jan McDorman Organist Emerita: Lorraine Wilson

Greeter: Marilyn Fordham Child/Youth Support: Roxie Walker

Chancel & Bell Choir Director: Lucy Smith Video: Alexis Perkins

Hymn Handbells & Jr. Choir Director: Lucinda Collier

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Custodian: Brad Caves Church Secretary: Mary Anjo

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Acolyte: Abby Hilkert, Sierra Perkins

Nursery: Ember Hilkert

Lay Reader: Rachel Tompkins Head Usher: David Fremouw

Announcements: Mary Anjo

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The Carillon will play in memory of Iva Covey on December 9.

Our church web site is http://www.NorthRoseNYMethodist.com