United Methodist Church (587-9544) North Rose, New York

December 1, 2013 First Sunday of Advent

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PRELUDE "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel/What Child Is This"

Bober

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 7: 14

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

*HYMNS OF PRAISE

"Emmanuel" "Here I Am to Worship"

(* 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

Rob, Andrea, Aiden & Izzy Perkins

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

SCRIPTURE Matthew 1: 18-25 p. 835

ANTHEM Jr. Choir

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

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

SHARING OUR JOYS & PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM "An Advent Awakening" Stratton/Courtney

OFFERTORY PRAYER

MESSAGE "Emmanuel"

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 Lucy Smith.)

*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

"Angels We Have Heard On High"

Tornquist

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.

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week: Joe & Jackie, Jessica Storrs; Deb Stuck; John Stuck; Justin & Joanne, Oliver, Anna Stuck.

FAITH HOME: Each week we will be listing 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 "family advent candle service" is available on the red library cart or by contacting the church office.)

UMW CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, this Sat., Dec. 7 from 9 am to 3 pm. Lots of help is needed. Volunteer or please say 'yes' if asked. Jan McDorman, Chairperson.

The Drama Ministry will present "Joy of The Season" this Fri, Dec. 6 & Sat, Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available following worship service or by contacting the church office (587-9544, NRUMC@rochester.rr.com,).

There will be a Bake Sale on Sun., Dec. 15, following the worship service, in the Fellowship Hall. This is an excellent opportunity to purchase some special holiday treats! We're looking for lots of people to donate items for the Bake Sale and lots of shoppers, too! Proceeds from the Bake Sale will help with camperships, the mission trip to Kentucky, and the middle school youth group trip to Pennsylvania. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Shannon LaClair (315-573-4196, almostsummer@hotmail.com).

Danielle Teeple will be leading a two week Christmas Bible Study. It will be held on Tuesday, December 10, and Tuesday, December 17, 7:00-8:30 p.m. There will be child care in the nursery. Please invite your family & friends!

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. 9**.) Thank you.

The "Mitten Tree" will be in the front entry to gather mittens for the Utica Neighborhood Center until next Sun., Dec. 8. Bring your store- bought and hand-made mittens for the children of the inner-city of Utica and hang them on the tree. Let us decorate it from top to bottom! They would also appreciate board or card games for youth ages 8-12 or story books for ages 8-12, these should be classics or stories of traditional family life. Also needed are Barbie and Ken dolls, wooden puzzles and fitted crib sheets. There will be a box for these items under the tree. Thank you in advance for your generous gifts. Any questions can be directed to Bud Smith – 483-8297.

<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.

Help with Sunday snow shoveling at the church entrances will again be needed this year. (Attention youth: this counts toward community service hours.) Please sign up for a Sunday or more if you are able. Sign up is on the informational table in the Fellowship Hall.

Many thanks, Board of Trustees.

The rose on the altar is in honor of the birth of Lucinda Marie King, born on 11/23/13. She is the daughter of Benjamin & Kimberly King, and the granddaughter of Larry & Irene King and David & Laurie Waterman, and the great-granddaughter of Herman & Ella Timerson.

Today – 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 2:00-6:00 p.m. Christmas Show Rehearsal (sanctuary) 6:00-7:30 p.m. MS Youth Group: Advent Monday – 5:00 p.m. Christmas Show Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbells Tuesday – Giving Tuesday: Gifts to the Advance are doubled 2:00-4:00 p.m. Cards & Games (nursery) 3:20-4:30 p.m. Jr. Choir 6:30 p.m. Trustees <u>Thursday</u> – <u>5:00 p.m.</u> Christmas Show Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir <u>Friday</u> – 7:30 p.m. "Joy of the Season" Christmas Show <u>Saturday</u> – 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. UMW Bazaar 7:30 p.m. "Joy of the Season" Christmas Show Sun. Dec. 8 – Second Sunday of Advent; Mitten Tree Deadline 9:15 a.m. Youth/Adult Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship: "Savior" Luke 2: 1-14, Blanket Sunday J4J – Joyful for Jesus (Children's Sunday School) 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 3:00-5:00 p.m. Holiday Concert at First Presbyterian, Wolcott Soloist include: Kelley Loveless & Noah Barnes 6:00-7:30 p.m. MS Youth Group: Movie Night Mon. Dec. 9 - 7:00 p.m. Adult Handbells; Christmas Flower Deadline <u>Tues. Dec. 10 – 3:20-4:30 p.m.</u> Jr. Choir

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7:00-8:30 p.m. Bible Study: "Discovering the Nativity"

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Pastor: Rev. Dan Corretore
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Announcements: Mary Anjo

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Our thanks to Lucy Smith for sharing her musical talents with us today.