

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

December 8, 2013
Second Sunday of Advent

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PRELUDE "Away In A Manager" Varner

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

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

CALL TO WORSHIP Luke 2: 14

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

*HYMNS OF PRAISE

"Jesus, Name Above All Names" "Come, Let Us Worship The King"

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

SILENT PRAYER/PRAAYER BOX PLACED ON ALTAR

OPENING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(unison)*

SCRIPTURE Luke 2: 1-14 p. 889

LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE Ken & Kim Dobbin

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SONG "Advent Song" *(back of hymnal—verse 2)*

Jesus was born into a family. Mary and Joseph had to travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem just before Jesus' birth. They were poor and had only a donkey on which to ride.

Let us put Mary and Joseph in the nativity scene.

Here are the parents of Jesus. God knew he needed a father and mother to love him.

The first candle of the Advent wreath reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world. The second candle reminds us of the love of Jesus' family and of our family's love for each other. *(Light two purple candles.)*

Let us pray: May the love of Jesus and his family be with all of us and our families today and through this coming week. Amen.

SOLO "Who Would Imagine a King?" Danielle Teeple

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

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

*HYMN “Go, Tell It On the Mountain” p. 251

BLANKET PRESENTATION

SHARING OUR JOYS & PRAYER CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM “*Soon the Messiah Will Come*” Price/Besig

OFFERTORY PRAYER

MESSAGE “*Savior*”

*HYMN “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice” p. 224

*PRAYER OF BLESSING

*POSTLUDE “*Shepherd Song*” Bliss

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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.

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the coming week: Aaron Dennis & Leah Stuck, Zoe, Addie; Mike & Gail Sullivan; Jo Sutton; Paul & Patty Sutton, Kaitlyn, Alex.

FAITH HOME: Each week we will be listing an activity that you can enjoy as a family to help us all grow in faith. Talk together about our church’s “Angel Tree” project; decide what you could do to help.

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

There will be a Bake Sale next Sunday, December 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 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).

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The flowers on the altar and red poinsettia are given in memory of Jean Walker by her family.

Danielle Teeple will be leading a two week Christmas Bible Study. It will begin this 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 **tomorrow, Mon. Dec. 9.**) Thank you.

Do you enjoy Christmas caroling? Sunday, December 22, 6:00-7:30 p.m., we will walk through the village singing at homes and then return to the church for cookies & hot chocolate. Kids & adults are welcome! Please bring a flashlight with you.

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

The sanctuary Christmas tree once again stands filled with the ornaments of our church families, past and present. If your family is not represented, we invite you to add yours to the tree anytime during the Christmas season. Simply fill out a tag from the basket below with the year and your family name & members. Then, attach the tag to your ornament and hang it on the tree. Ornaments, saved from year to year, fill our sanctuary trees with the love of our past church families as well as those of the present. (Some of the ornaments have lost their tags; if you gave an ornament in the past, you may want to check to make sure it has a tag.)

Our annual **Angel Tree Project** has started. A sign-up poster is in the back of the sanctuary to sign up for food items to be included in our giving. Very Important!!! All food items and gifts (wrapped with the gift tag attached) must be returned to church no later than **Friday, December 21**, for sorting and distributing (note this new date for the collection). Please call Lori Peck with any questions. (587-9766 or llpeck3@hotmail.com).

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

Today – 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

3:00-5:00 p.m. Holiday Concert at First Presbyterian, Wolcott
Soloists include: Kelley Loveless & Noah Barnes

6:00-7:30 p.m. MS Youth Group: Christmas Movie Night

Monday – Christmas Flower Deadline

7:00 p.m. Adult Handbells

Tuesday – 3:20-4:30 p.m. Jr. Choir

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

Thursday – 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Saturday – 9:00 a.m. UMW at Gloria Petrosino’s, 10683 Valley Dr.

1:00-9:00 p.m. HS Youth Group Angel Tree Shopping Trip

Sun. Dec. 15 – Third Sunday of Advent; Handbells; Jr. Choir

9:15 a.m. Youth/Adult Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship: “Christ” Isaiah 40: 1-11

J4J – Joyful for Jesus (Children’s Sunday School)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time: Nancy Ballagh & Patti Bowen

11:30 a.m. Bake Sale (Camp/Youth)

6:00-7:30 p.m. MS Youth Group: Christmas Party & Games

Mon. Dec. 16 – Jan/Feb Newsletter Deadline

7:00 p.m. Adult Handbells

Tues. Dec. 17 – 3:20-4:30 p.m. Jr. Choir

7:00 p.m. SPRT

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Pastor: Rev. Dan Corretore

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Accompanist: Kim Dobbin

Organist: Jan McDorman

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Announcements: Mary Anjo

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A Free Holiday Concert! Today, 3:00-5:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Wolcott. An Afternoon with Jeff Sawyer and guest soloists, Kelley Loveless and Noah Barnes.