

12.09.18
Sunday Worship
8:30 & 11:00 AM
9:45 AM Sunday School

Wednesdays Downtown
Eat. Worship. Grow.
5:15 PM - Meal
6:00 PM – Worship
6:00 PM – Children’s Activities
7:00 PM – Youth Group
~ welcome ~

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*Sharing the love of Jesus
with the next generation from
the heart
of Downtown*

Verse for Reflection ~ Luke 1:68-69

⁶⁸Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. ⁶⁹He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David.

IN OUR PRAYERS: *family of Ginny Magnuson (Walt & Othelia Miller’s daughter), Connie Laird, Roger & Leana Stunes in the loss of his father, Janice Airhart, family of Gary Musselman, Harlan Quenzer, Howard McCorkell, Laura Barta Lindquist, Louise Metz and those who are in positions of leadership in our church.*

RADIO BROADCAST (KORN 1490AM) is given with celebration and gratitude for our dad/grandpa, Harold, who will be turning 99 years old on December 12, and for our mom/grandma, Eldora, who turned 90 in July, by Carolyn Knight & families.

LIVE STREAM is given in celebration of Bruce Fritzemeier’s birthday which is today, by his wife, Julie.

RADIO BROADCAST SPONSOR NEEDED for **December 30**. If you would like to sponsor this in honor, memory, gratitude, or a special occasion, please contact the office. Cost is \$125.

LIVE STREAM SPONSORSHIPS are available each week for \$50.

A portion of our general giving, as well as designated gifts in **December** will go towards Global Aids Project/Center for Health & Hope.

QUILT SILENT AUCTION – Tuesday Quilters are again auctioning off a handmade quilt with proceeds going to the Ackerman Property Project. The quilt and auction book are in the hallway near JGA. Make your bid using your phone number. Bidding will close on Sun., Dec. 16.

SERMON SERIES - Each year during Advent and Christmas we read about the usual characters of the Christmas Story. Each of these “characters” has a unique experience and “voice” that tells an important part of this incredible story of God doing the unthinkable. This year we will experience the story and hear these voices of Christmas...and how those voices still speak into our world and our lives yet today.

LOVE FEAST is needing food donations, turkey bakers and workers for their Christmas meal on Dec. 20. **Sign up today** in the Johnson Gathering Area.

ADVENT MANGER GIFTS – Children’s Ministries is asking for baby items to go to UMW for new mothers at our local hospital and Safehouse. Donation schedule is: **Dec. 16** – disposable diapers (newborn-size 5/6; **Dec. 23** – baby cereal/baby wipes. Children will take items to the manger during Children’s Moments.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURES, today, **Dec. 9**, between services, near the office.

-----**TEAR OFF AND PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE**-----

POINSETTIA ORDERS – If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone, please complete the form below or notify the office by **Dec. 14**. Cost is \$13.

In loving memory of _____

In honor of _____

Given by _____

I will pick up my poinsettia Yes _____ No _____

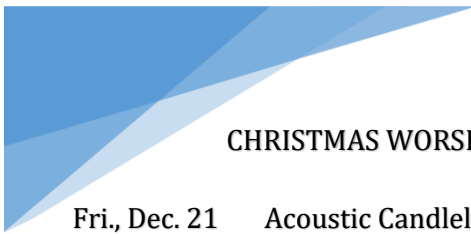
ADVENT FAMILY FUN NIGHT – Have a bowl of soup and watch *The Fourth Wiseman* while your children enjoy their own evening packed with fun on **Fri., Dec. 14**. Meal at 5:15 pm. Movie at 6 pm.

Would you be willing to prepare a crockpot of soup? Y_____

NAME _____ # ATTENDING _____

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BLOOD DRIVE, **Mon., Dec. 17**, 3:45-6:30 pm. Their bus will be parked on the west side of the church. Sign up in the office or call Jane Palmquist (999.4057) to donate.



CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- Fri., Dec. 21 Acoustic Candlelight Worship, Chapel
- Sun., Dec. 23 Worship, 8:30 & 11 am, Sunday School,
9:45 am
- Mon., Dec. 24 Office closes at noon
Christmas Eve Worship, 4:30 pm
Christmas Eve Worship, 6:30 pm
- Sun., Dec. 30 One Worship Service, 9:30 am
NO Sunday School

SMALL GROUP STUDY – It seems that fear is an ever-present reality in our world...often even in our own lives. But how do we deal with it? In **January 2019**, we will be offering a study of the book *“Unafraid”* by Adam Hamilton. To join the study or to facilitate a group (leader materials will be available), please write “Unafraid Study” on your Connection Card or call the office. *“Fear doesn’t have to control our lives.”*

REGULAR COFFEE NEEDED for Johnson Gathering Area. Please bring to the office if you are willing to help with this ministry.

EVENTS THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service
9:30 AM Coffee Fellowship in JGA
Free Blood Pressures near office
9:45 AM Sunday School all ages/ Confirmation
11:00 AM Blended Worship Service Aired on KORN
3:00 PM Pre-Christmas Program music
4:00 PM Children's Christmas Program

TUESDAY

- 7:00 AM ASK Prayer Group
9:30 AM Tuesday Quilters
9:30 AM Church Staff
NOON Methodist Nurses Luncheon

WEDNESDAY

- 9:30 AM Parent's Day Out
5:15 PM Meal, JGA
6:00 PM Casual Worship, Chapel; Children's Activities, Rm 205
7:00 PM Youth Group

THURSDAY

- 9:30 AM Mary-Martha Circle
2:00 PM Eunice Circle
7:00 PM Esther Circle

FRIDAY

- 5:15 PM Family Advent Soup, Movie & Children's Activities Party



Upcoming Events

Wed., Dec. 12

2nd Leadership Development Session,
facilitated by Pastor Keith, 7-8:30 pm, S-1

Sun., Dec. 16

Noisy Bucket Offering will go to CASA for
Children's Christmas gifts

Mon., Dec. 17

United Blood Services Blood Drive, 3:45-6:30
pm, Downtown FUMC

Fri., Dec. 21

Acoustic Christmas, 5:30 pm, Chapel

Mon., Dec. 24

Christmas Eve Services at 4:30 & 6:30 pm