

Prelude ~ Pam Campbell

Welcome/Announcements Jason Johnson

Welcoming the Light of Christ

**(Please stand as you are able)*

Lighting the Advent Candles

We light the first candle of our Advent season as a symbol of Christ our Hope.

We light the second candle as a symbol of Christ our Way.

May Christ our Way, sent from God, lead us to the way of salvation.

Shine in our hearts, Lord Jesus Christ.

Come home this Christmas. Come home to Christ our Way.

*** Singing our Praise** “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” vs. 1, 6,7 #211

Opening Prayer

God of all Hope, you stand ready to enter our hearts again, through your son, Jesus Christ, who is our Way of Love to follow. Use the scriptures, prayers, music and words we offer here today to speak to our hearts during this time of worship. In Christ we pray. Amen.

The Psalm Psalm 25: 1-10 #756
Liturgist: Tyler Knox

Children’s Message Mary Thoman

Gospel Reading Mark 1:1-4

Message “Living The Advent Calendar” Wendy Holt

Response “All I Need is You” #2080

Sharing of Prayers: Gratitude and Challenges
(Where have you seen God’s presence? What gratitude and/or challenge is in your heart or on your mind?)

Silent Meditation & Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer #895

The Offering

Doxology on screen

Offertory Prayer

With gratitude we offer these gifts. In the name of Christ our Way, we share these offerings, as well as the work of our hands, our commitment, and devotion. We offer all of these things in gratitude. Amen.

***Closing Song** “Love Came Down at Christmas” #242

***Our Purpose**

What is our purpose?
To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!

Benediction Wendy Holt

Benediction Response “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”
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PRAYER REQUEST



Brent Campbell

(deployment)

Gerald Campell

Bill Erhardt

Joan Krohn

Stan Krohn

Beth Whisler

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS



12/08

Anita Chartier

12/09

Lori Ade

12/13

Kaelyn Ade

Marvin Petersen

12/14

Tyler Kocher

Events this week in church:

Sunday, December 8th:

9:30 am Sunday School
10:00 am Coffee & Conversing
10:30 am Worship Service

Monday, December 9th:

7:00 pm Finance

Wednesday, December 11th:

5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus
5:30 pm Choir Practice
5:45 pm Table Talk Meal
6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

Sunday, December 15th:

9:30 am Sunday School
10:00 am Coffee & Conversing
10:30 am Worship Service

Christmas Program

3:00 pm Caroling



Joy to the World!

**Missions Buckets TODAY
"Noisy Offering"**

**Cloud County Resource
Center Holiday Baskets**



Join us on Sunday, December 15th at 3:00 pm for Christmas Caroling! We will be traveling by car again this year.

Caroling will be followed by a soup supper at the home of Monte & Nancy Wentz.

Please bring a finger food or dessert to share.



Salvation Army Bell Ringing

Concordia First UMC will be ringing the Salvation Army Bell at Walmart on Sunday, December 22nd. We need **two volunteers** for each time slot between **Noon – 6:00 pm**. Why two volunteers? So there are two people to greet shoppers and spread Christmas Cheer!



Interested in Membership and/or Baptism?

Contact the church office to set up an appointment to visit with Pastor Melanie.

Welcome to our guests!

We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at First United Methodist Church this morning and will tell a friend!



Hot Cocoa Bar Update:

18 volunteers, 10 Gallons of Hot Cocoa, 200 people served.

**LIVING
The
ADVENT
CALENDAR
12.08.19**



December 8, 2019

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