

# Order of Celebration

## GATHERING

Gathering Music

Sharing the Life of the Church

*Please complete the Communication Card and place it in the offering plate. If you have a prayer request, fill out a prayer card that will be collected during the first song.*

Centering Music and Service of Lights

Lighting of the Advent Wreath: The Candle of Hope

\*Call to Worship

Leader: A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

All: As we worship today, let us prepare to welcome God's dramatic work in our midst, in our hearts, in our community, and in all of creation. Let us worship God.

\*Song Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus UMH 196

## THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 64: 1 - 9

Hymn O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH 211  
*Verses 1 through 4*

Gospel Lesson Mark 13: 24-37

Message Keeping Alert for Christmas

## OUR RESPONSE

Offering Invitation

We share our gifts with God as a sign of our love and commitment

Offertory Music

\*Doxology UMH 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

## First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019



Pastor - Pastor Bob Sielaff

Music Director - Larisa Soboleva

Worship Leader - Marti B. Tamaroglio

## Prayer Concerns

Lisa Andrews	Zoe Kosin	Mercedes Ruiz Family
Gary & Diane Atkins	Shirley Lantz	Michael Schlorff
Brandon Baker	Margaret Layden	Tim Shaw & Family
Doug Baker	Neicy Lines	Marie Shearer
Jason Baker	John Lloyd	Pastor Bob Sielaff
Bondy Family	Elmer Lugh	Jeffery Slumpff
Judy Bowers	Jack & Marilyn MacTavish	George and Karen Stoops
Barbara Branch	Laura Mason	Jeremy Travis
Jack Charlefour	Larry & Bonnie Mathewson	Andrew Urban
Nick Crossett	Drew & Elizabeth	The Vega Family
Devine Family	McDonald	Nate Wilson
Donna Draper	Donald McClung	Paul Wilson & Family
Jennifer Eberhart	Mesick & Hood Family	The Family of Michelle
Bill Friend	Mihalik Family	Woodhead
Brenda Gillespie	Pauline Paul	Ed Zawacki & Family
Griffin Family	The Family of Sam Pepper	
Kenyetta Hayman	Marion Peterson	
Chris Hiller	Kathy Pitts & Family	
Helen Hosker	John Polzin	
Robert & Kathy James	Amber Przygocki & Family	
Joyce Johnson	Sally Rausch	
Cathy Kennedy	Braile Rodgers & Family	
Klemmer Family	Georgia & Joe Romanchak	

### Military Families

Zachary Danke, US Army

### Home Bound

Anne Creek, Helen Hickey, Mary Catherine Luoma

## CONTACT US

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CHRISTMAS EVE  
*Candlelight Service*  
 WITH COMMUNION

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

7:00 PM

**CHARGE CONFERENCE VOTE**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

7:00 PM

The vote for individual members to support the UNION of Good Shepherd UMC and First Dearborn UMC. You must be a member of Good Shepherd and be present to vote.

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**Official Paper Ballot for the Union of  
 Good Shepherd UMC and Dearborn First UMC**

- ☐ Yes, I agree and support that our congregations should proceed from positions of strength to unite as equal partners in mission and ministry, with the goal to becoming one congregation by September 2022.
- ☐ No, I disagree with becoming one congregation.



**Joy Ride**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

Bring in your homemade cookies on December 22. We will be packaging them up after service to be delivered either on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day to our community members that are working on the holidays.

**This Week at Good Shepherd**

Sun	12/1	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	
		Willing Disciples	9:30 AM
		Worship	10:30 AM
		Kids Rock!	10:45 AM
		Coffee & Conversation	11:30 AM
Tue	12/3	Women's Breakfast	9:00 AM
		@ Leon's hosted by First UMC	
Wed	12/4	Mindful Meditation	6:15 PM
Thur	12/5	Advent Book Study	6:00 PM
Sat	12/7	Active Believers (Ch. 35)	9:30 AM
Sun	12/8	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	
		Willing Disciples	9:30 AM
		Worship	10:30 AM
		Kids Rock!	10:45 AM
		Coffee & Conversation	11:30 AM

**CASS CHRISTMAS LUNCH**  
 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

*CASS Christmas Lunch will be held at CASS United Methodist Church. We will meet at GSUMC at 9:00 am to load supplies & leave at 9:30 am.*

**Volunteers needed:**

- \* Prepare lunch for 120 guests
- \* Set/ clean up dinning room
- \* Serve the meal
- \* Help guests with gifts
- \* A Sing-Along leader.

**Donations Needed:**

- \* 9x13 cakes in disposable pans or store bought single layer. Bring to the Church on December 8th and place in the fridge labeled CASS or before 9:00 am December 12th. *Sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.*
- \* Old Christmas cards, we will use them to make new ones.

*See Sally Focht or Nancy Wales 313-530-2890.*

\*Dedication Prayer (In Unison)

O Mighty One, you have done and are doing great things for us, and holy is your name. Bless all we offer you that through us your grace and favor may be made known to all the world. Amen.

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Please join in the communion liturgy as printed in the*

*United Methodist Hymnal on pages 13 - 14.*

*We will begin with "THE GREAT THANKSGIVING".*

*Please join in responses that are in bold print.*

*If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, please raise your bulletin and a worship leader will come to you to administer the elements.*

**WE ARE SENT FORTH**

\* Song                      Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates                      UMH 213

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction:

Pastor:            Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall have hope."

All:                **May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Postlude

Please join us for Coffee & Conversation in the Fellowship Hall

\*Please stand as you feel comfortable



**Christmas Giving Opportunity**  
**Methodist Children's Home Society**

A giving tree is in our church lobby and has a red envelope for each of the 58 boys who are currently living at the Methodist Children's Home in Redford. Please choose a red envelope from the tree which has a sheet with information regarding one of the boys inside. It includes his name and age as well as sizes and other information about him. Generally speaking the one thing that was noted from the lists we received is that most boys wanted new jeans, though a couple preferred new pants that were not jeans.

**All gifts must be under the tree no later than Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> because they must be taken to the MCH on that Monday morning.**

**PLEASE** - per instructions from the MCH, all gifts absolutely must be delivered unwrapped. Leave the gifts in the store bags. Securely attach the envelope with the boys name onto the bag and put them under our tree in the lobby.

Donations may also be made via your giving envelope and noted Methodist Children's Home Society.

**PRAY** for the boy(s) that you have purchased a gift for over the holiday season, as this is a difficult time for them.

Please contact Pam Post with any questions.

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**ATTENTION ALL SINGERS**

We thought it would be nice this Advent Season to gather some folks, who enjoy singing, to gather and participate in a Christmas Anthem.

Practice is each Sunday after worship.

**We will be singing our Anthem on Sunday, December 22 in service.**

*See Kathy Lewis for more information*