

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 Love

*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us praise our Lord Jesus Christ. At Christmas Jesus came as a baby. He came to be like us because he loves us. He came to save us from our sin.

All: **Alleluia! Jesus is coming to be with us and brings salvation to all. Let us worship him.**

*Hymn Hail to the Lord's Anointed UMH 203

Call to Confession

Leader: Arise, shine: for your light has come. O God, we live as if the light had never defeated the darkness in the world or in us. We confess that we ignore the Christ you sent to be among us, to be in us. We've kept the birth of your Son confined to the Christmas season and do not yearn for his birth each moment in our waiting hearts.

All: **Forgive us for not opening our eyes to see you. It's time that we prepare for your coming. We pray for your mercy and grace.**

Leader: We are promised God's forgiveness when we ask. Let us all rejoice in the miracle of God's forgiveness, love and mercy.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

THE WORD

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 40: 1 - 11 pg 879

Hymn Emmanuel, Emmanuel UMH 204

Gospel Lesson Mark 1: 1 - 8 pg 1214

Sermon May Christ Be Born in You

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church
Second Sunday of Advent
 December 8, 2019



Pastor - Pastor Bob Sielaff
 Music Director - Larisa Soboleva
 Worship Leader - Georgia Grovesteen

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.

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	12/8	Second Sunday of Advent	
		Willing Disciples	9:30 AM
		Worship	10:30 AM
		Kids Rock!	10:45 AM
		Coffee & Conversation	11:30 AM
Tue	12/10	Women's Breakfast	9:00 AM
		@ Leon's hosted by First UMC	
Wed	12/11	Mindful Meditation	6:15 PM
		Charge Conference	7:00 PM
Thur	12/12	Cass Christmas Lunch	
		Advent Book Study	6:00 PM
Sat	12/14	Active Believers (Ch. 36)	9:30 AM
Sun	12/15	Third Sunday of Advent	
		Willing Disciples	9:30 AM
		Worship	10:30 AM
		Kids Rock!	10:45 AM
		Coffee & Conversation	11:30 AM
		Children's Home Gifts Due	

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.

OUR RESPONSE

Hymn Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming UMH 216

Offering Invitation

"What can I give him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part. Yet what I can, I give him, give him my heart. May we freely share our tithes and offerings from hearts filled with love and joy."

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.**

*Dedication Prayer (In Unison)

We offer these gifts to you, O God. Help us to give as the wise men did so long ago. Fill our hearts with Your love. May these gifts of love bring comfort and joy to those in need. Amen."

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE ARE SENT FORTH

*Hymn Angels from the Realms of Glory UMH 220

Taking the Light to the World

Benediction:

Pastor: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

All: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may God's glory fill the whole earth. 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 15th 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