

Sandi Perl, Pastor Elly Stempien, Organist
Ron Miller, Choir Director Ron Salyer, Worship Leader

Welcome in the name of Jesus!
(Announcements & Candle Lighting)

Lighting of the Advent Candle – see video

Centering Prayer

**Song of Praise (UMH) 196 Come, Thou Long-Expected
Jesus**

Sharing of the Peace – please take a moment to greet those
around you in the Name of the Lord.

Choir -

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

**People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is
PEACE.**

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

**People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is
HOPE.**

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is JOY.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

**People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is
LOVE.**

Leader: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in the place,

ALL: And we know that it's the Spirit of the Lord!

***Morning Prayer**

Dear Heavenly Father, help me to hear your voice.

Touch me once again. Give me the courage to be your
beloved. Give me courage to choose joy. I need you now
this Christmas. Be born in me again. Today.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Hymn of Praise (UMH) 216 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Prayer Time – Please share your joys as well as your prayers.

TIME OF PRAYER (FWS) 2160 Into My Heart

THE LORD'S PRAYER – Our Father, who 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
temptations but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power and the glory, forever. Amen

Party with the Preacher

Hymn - (FWS) 2036 Give Thanks

***Offering (Doxology page 95)**

Faithful God, you astound us with your miracles! We rejoice that
you sent your Son Jesus to bring light and salvation. We are
grateful for your great wisdom and love in your actions toward
humankind. Help us to be more like Mary, believing your Word
and trusting in the fulfillment of your promises. We dedicate our
tithes and offerings for the mission of this church, so that more
people will find hope in waiting on Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Scripture – Luke 2:1-7 (p 58)

Message – The Dilemma of Doubt for the Innkeeper

Closing Hymn - (UMH) 217 Away in a Manger

Good News!

People of God, we wait with hope; we wait with courage; we
wait with joy unspeakable, full of glory; we wait with the
assurance that The Liberator will come in power, in justice,
and in peace. Go now, trusting and believing that it is so . . .
in the name of Jesus, the Christ! Amen.

FWS – Faith We Sing UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

Please join us downstairs for food and
fellowship.

SERVING THIS WEEK (12/15/19)

Greeters: Amos and Laura Hammond
Ushers: Dick Smith and Russ Heggie
Scripture Reader: Dick Smith
Sunday School: Older Kids stay for the service
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Jean Murdock
Door Greeter: Bill Sutherland
Fellowship: Marilyn Sands

SERVING NEXT WEEK (12/22/19)

Greeters: Ruth Ann MaKatura and Meredith Nielsen
Ushers: Marilyn Sands and Russ Heggie
Scripture Reader: Bruce Westerdahl
Sunday School: Marguerite Miller
Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Amber Brady
Door Greeter: Erin Brady
Fellowship: **Need someone to sign up**

*Under the back table there are tote bags with activities for kids to use during worship. Please put the bags back when you are finished.

Dates to Remember:

15th Club in December is TODAY – come and hear Bruce and Nancy Westerdahl.

December 24th – 7:00pm – Christmas Eve Service

Contact Us:

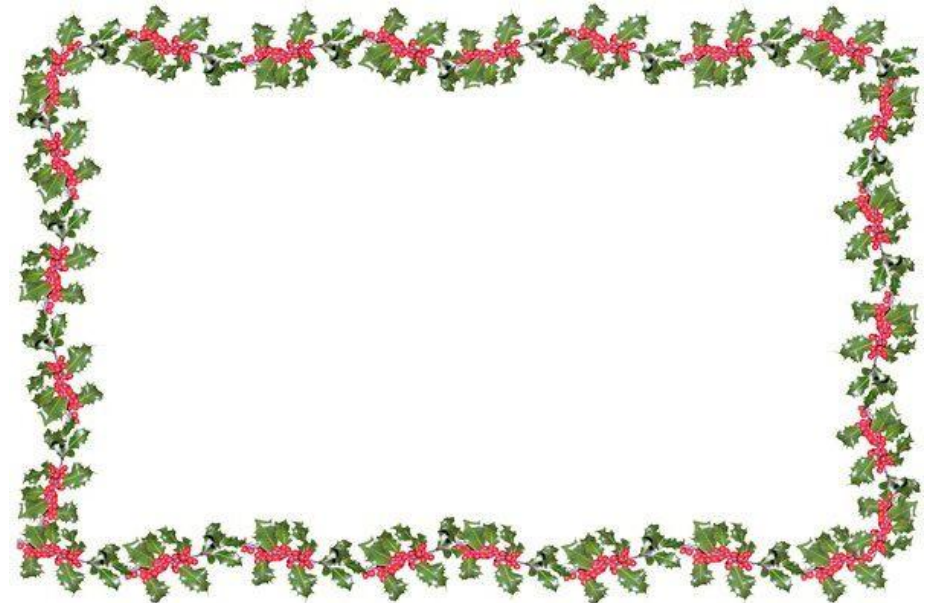
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What does your Innkeeper look like?



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