

BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor, Sandi Perl
Aimee Perry, Choir Director

Elly Stempien, Organist
Ron Salyer, Liturgist

Please join us for fellowship with our hosts – Trish DeMontfort

WELCOME AND GREETING, ORGAN PRELUDE

Lighting of The Advent Candle

PRAYER TIME/PRAYER HYMN 2160 FWS - Into My Heart

PARTY WITH THE PREACHER

Drama I Missed the Manger by Jan Overton
Hannah – Mother of Mary
Joanna – Woman of Nazareth
Rhoda - Innkeepers Wife
Miriam - Shepard's Wife
Hasina – Wiseman's Wife

Anthem Advent Carol of Hope

*OFFERTORY/ DOXOLOGY (p 95) / PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Parent God, giver of all life, accept these offerings given by your creatures for creation. May they be used to spread your good news around our parish and beyond into the wider world, today and always. Amen.

*GOOD NEWS:

We have worshipped together, sharing a vision. We have sung God's praises. We have shared the vision of new beginnings. Now may God's blessing and vision be with us this day, this week, this Advent season. Amen

SHARING GRACE: Jar of blessings: Remember this could be simply on a folded piece of paper or you could be more creative. Add a promise to do a good deed.

FWS –Faith We Sing

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

SERVING THIS WEEK (12/11/16)

Greeters: Deb Smith and Jane Salyer
Ushers: Clarice Hardy and Waneta Nielsen
Scripture Reader: Stacy Wyant
Fellowship: Trish DeMontfort
Sunday School: Jessica Kenneda
Nursery: Breanna S & Sonya A
Counters: Elly Stempien and Bill Sutherland

SERVING NEXT WEEK (12/18/16)

Greeters: Amos Hammond/Laurie Prinzivalli
Ushers: Dick Smith and Russ Heggie
Scripture Reader: Ron Salyer
Fellowship: None
Sunday School: No Sunday School
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Laurie Prinzivalli
Counters: Ron Salyer and Aimee Perry

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Remember! Kids need to stay after church today for about 30 minutes today.

Christmas Eve Service – 7:00pm
Christmas Day Service – 9:00am
New Year's Day Service – 9:00am

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Notes

This is space to note announcements and sermon thoughts

**BLUFF POINT
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
“THE LITTLE COUNTRY CHURCH WITH A BIG HEART”

“BLUFF POINT UMC...
FAITH AND LOVE...
IT’S WHO WE ARE. IT’S WHAT WE DO!”

I Missed the Manger – by Jan Overton

We hear a lot of buzz these days about the Fear Of Missing Out (FOMO) – social anxiety that we will be absent from rewarding experiences. The women in this support group unfortunately missed Christ’s birth. Mary’s mother missed it because she was afraid of what the neighbors would think about a baby born out of wedlock. Her friend (Joanna) missed it because she was too busy gossiping. A huge to-do list kept the innkeeper’s wife away. The wife of a shepherd laughed in disbelief at her husband’s story of the angels’ visit. Wise man Gaspar’s wife, Hasina, wasn’t allowed to travel along on his business trip. Each woman’s story holds a mirror up to our own lives, and the presentation concluded with a through-provoking questions: “Will you set aside the busyness and let the God of the manger fill your heart to overflowing?”



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