

**BLUFF POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
DECEMBER 8, 2013
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
PEACE**

WELCOME AND GREETING

ORGAN PRELUDE/CANDLE LIGHTING

***SONG OF PRAISE - #2071 "Jesus, Name Above All Names"**

LIGHTING OF SECOND ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE

L. We dream God's dream, of a world at peace
Where enemies are reconciled, and children play in safety;
Where the poor and powerless find justice.
We remember God's promise of a Ruler of Peace,
Filled with the Spirit of God, of wisdom and understanding,
Of counsel and might, of justice and faithfulness

P. We light this Advent candle, and we pray:

Come Lord Jesus!

Open our lives to the Peace which you bring;

let us turn to you, and get ready!

ADVENT CAROL - #2090 Light the Advent Candle vs.2

***CALL TO WORSHIP –**

L.The Reign of God is drawing near:

P.The prophet calls us to change our lives!

L.Prepare the way for the Lord:

P A just and peaceful path!

L.Welcome one another, for Christ welcomes you:

P.For the glory of God!

***CONGREGATION'S PRAYER:**

We long for your peace and trust in your promise.

We hear your call to turn toward you, to change our lives

And welcome you in. Meet us here and fill our minds with your wisdom

And our hearts with your peace, that our worship together will open us to the challenge of your dream of wholeness for us all. In Christ's Holy name we pray. Amen.

***SHARING OF THE PEACE - Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE: #203 "Hail To the Lord's Anointed"**

CHORAL ANTHEM: "Christmas Dreams"

CHILDREN'S TIME –" Keeping the Peace"

PRAYER HYMN - #217 "Away In the Manger, vs.3"

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE - Isaiah 11:1-10(p.640,OT);Matt.3:1-12(p.2 NT)

SERMON -"Prepare the Way of the Lord" Rev. Judy D White

***OFFERTORY**

***DOXOLOGY: Hymnal, #95:**

OFFERTORY PRAYER: O God of Peace, you gave us the Prince of Peace to offer ourselves unselfishly to one another in love and forgiveness. May this Advent Sunday of Peace give us all the desire to share your love and your gifts of mercy to all of your children. We give you not only our monetary offerings but our hearts as well. In Christ's name, Amen.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION #213 "Lift Up Your Heads"**

***BENEDICTION - #251 "Go Tell It On the Mountain" (chorus only)
POSTLUDE**

***All who are willing and able, please stand**

TODAY IS BIRTHDAY SUNDAY. ALL THOSE WHO SHARE A BIRTHDAY WITH JESUS THIS MONTH WE WILL CELEBRATE YOUR SPECIAL DAY. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME AND JOIN THE CELEBRATION IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL DOWNSTAIRS. An lift is provided for those who can't do the stairs.

SERVING CHRIST THIS WEEK

Organist: Cindy Heggie
Choir Director: Aimee Perry
Liturgist: Ron Salyer
Greeters: Blanche and Dorwin Fingar
Ushers: Ann Shepardson and Marilyn Sands
Scripture Reader: Pastor Judy
Fellowship: John and Laurie Prinzivalli (**Birthday Sunday**)
Sunday School: Sarah Stackhouse
Nursery: Phil Pearce and Donna Johnson
Counters: Bill Sutherland and Elly Stempien

SERVING NEXT WEEK: (12/15/13)

Organist: Cindy Heggie
Choir Director: Aimee Perry
Liturgist: Ron Salyer
Greeters: Ed and Sally Head
Ushers: Dana and Helen Schillinger
Scripture Reader: Stacy Wyant
Fellowship: Bev Dean, Ron Sergent and Waneta Nielsen
Sunday School: Carole Clow
Nursery: Blanche Fingar and Jessica Kenneda
Counters: Bill Sutherland and Elly Stempien

This Week Schedule:

Tues. UMW luncheon, Noon at Antique Inn
Choir Rehearsal, Tues. 7pm
NO BIBLE STUDY ON Wed. UNTIL JAN. 8TH.

DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

NEXT SUNDAY AT 5PM

Dec. 15th Our Live Nativity – 5-6pm. **We need actors. No speaking parts. Be willing to stand outside for 25 min.** This year we have new costumes and a new stable. It will be displayed in the church lawn. Please tell your friends to come and invite others. We will have supper for those who participate.

DEC. 22ND. CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SUNDAY

DEC. 24TH – OUR TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE. - 7PM

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