## **The Community Gathers** PRELUDE & CHIMES & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST Pam Campbell WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Angle Gabel-McConkey \*PASSING THE PEACE "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" \*OPENING HYMN UMH #251 **OPENING PRAYER** Eternal Creator, with you each moment of life is full of wonder and surprise. We pray you will make us watchful as we await the coming of Christ. Grant that we may not be found sleeping in sin, but awake and rejoicing in your newness of life. Through the same Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen. JOYS, CONCERNS & GOD SIGHTINGS PRAYER FOR OUR COMMUNITY ADVENT HYMN "Light the Advent Candle Song" TFWS #2090 (third stanza) LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE **Knox Family** Thanksgiving SCRIPTURE SENTENCE "... bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks." ~ Philippians 4:6b TITHES. GIFTS AND OFFERINGS "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" \*DOXOLOGY UMH#94 \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of Advent joy, we bring our offerings with hearts open to your transformative call. In this season of anticipation, may our gifts help mend what is broken and share the promise of redemption. Empower us to live fully present, giving generously and acting justly. Let these offerings be seeds of hope and joy that will draw us closer to your kin-dom. Bless our giving, that it may reflect your love and bring light to our world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

## **CHILDREN & YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

BELL CHOIR	"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	" JAM & The Rock
"REHEARSAL FOR CHRISTMAS EVE"		
(PRESENTED BY CHILDREN & YOUTH OF THE CHURCH)		
*HYMN	"Away in a Manger"	UMH#217
ANGELS APPEARANCE		
*HYMN	"Hark! The Herald Angels Sin	g" UMH#240
MARY AND JOSEPH BY THE MANGER		
SPECIAL MUSIC	"Whisper, Whisper"	Renata Knox, Choir Director
KINGS ARRIVE		
*HYMN	"We Three Kings"	UMH#254
ENTIRE CAST		(First Stanza only)
*HYMN	"Silent Night"	UMH#239
*BENEDICTION		(Stanzas 1 & 2)
*OUR MISSION, OUR PURPOSE LEADER: our mission is		

LEADER: our mission is... ALL: To provide a place for all to belong to our community, believe in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and become his disciples. Belong! Believe! Become!





Welcome to our guests! We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at **First United Methodist Church** this morning and will tell friend.



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Requests

**JOSH FREEBORN** 

**IOAN KROHN** 

**JAN NOVLAN** 

**EFFIE PETERSEN** 

**TERESA BENSON** 

**STAN MCMILLAN** 

**19~KARTER STEINLE** 

**19~CHARITY BROWN** 

Attendance Offering

49

48

46

\$2,338.00

\$3,241.00

\$865.00

\$16,783.00

\$145,326.00

\$4106.00



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