

**Dodge Center
United Methodist Church
First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024
8:15 AM
*Stand as you are able**



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Joys and Concerns

*** Centering Hymn TFWS-#2036 "Give Thanks"**

***Call To Worship Psalm 25:1-10**

L: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**P: O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

L: Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**P: Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths**

L: Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

**P: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.**

L: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O Lord!

**P: Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

L: He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

**P: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.**

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Children's Time

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

Hymn of the Day UMH #206- "I Want to Walk As a Child of The Light" (all vs)

New Testament Lesson – First Thessalonians 3:9-13

Apostles' Creed-UMH #882

Prayers

Respond with: L: Lord, in your mercy, **P: receive our prayer.**

***Doxology UMH #95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

***Gospel Lesson – Matthew 1:1-17**

Sermon "From Where Did Jesus Come" Pastor Chad Christensen

Holy Communion

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***Closing Hymn TFWS #2008- "Let All Things Now Living" (all vs.)**

Benediction

***Postlude**

Welcome to Worship!

Visitors, please sign our guest book before leaving.

Upcoming Events:

Confirmation class resumes this week on Wednesday, December 4 at 6:00 pm.

Coffee Fellowship There is a sign-up sheet in the back on the small bulletin board to bring treats and serve for coffee fellowship on Sundays. Coffee will be made each Sunday and juice is provided.

Greeters are needed each Sunday. Please let Janet know if you can greet or use the sign-up sheet in the back.

Looking ahead:

- **The deadline for ordering poinsettias is December 8th.** See the insert for more information.
- **SAVE THE DATE!! The Annual Women's Christmas Brunch** will be held on December 14th from 9:30 to 11:30. See the insert for more details.
- **Our next Community Meal** will be Wednesday, December 18. The menu will be chicken pot pie over biscuits, fruit cup and cookies. Below is the link to sign up to donate food or help that evening. Donations will go to the Dodge County Sheriff's Emergency Fund.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094CA5AC2AA1FA7-53424600-umcfree#/>

Thank you to our volunteers today December 1

Reader: Kelly Amunrud

Counters: Kelly Amunrud and Doris Weber

Volunteers next week, December 8th

Reader: Kathy Bartz

Counters: Kathy Bartz and Shawn Lepp

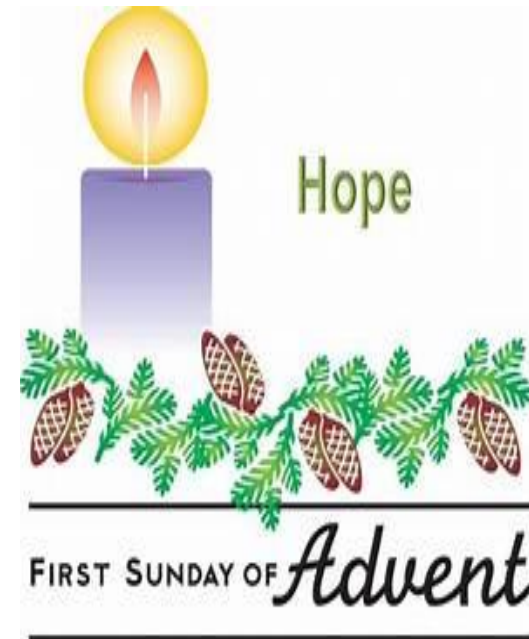
Pastor- Rev. Chad Christensen Pianist- Janet Bugarin

Secretary- Janet Bugarin Sound- Colin Lepp

Total donations needed each week- \$1,637.00.

Last Weeks' offering amount: \$1,562.00

The offering plate is in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for placing your offering there.



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