

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



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Joys and Concerns

UMH #196 (all vs.) "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

***Call To Worship Luke 1:68-79**

L: 'Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.

**P: He has raised up a mighty savior for us
in the house of his servant David,
as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,**

L: that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

**P: Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors,
and has remembered his holy covenant,**

L: the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,
to grant us

**P: that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,
might serve him without fear, ⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness
before him all our days.**

L: And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,

**P: to give knowledge of salvation to his people
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

L: By the tender mercy of our God,
the dawn from on high will break upon us,

**P: to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.'**

***Prayer of the Day**

Stir up our hearts, Lord God, to prepare the way of your only Son. By his coming give to all the people of the world knowledge of your salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Children's Time

Children are dismissed for Sunday School

Hymn of the Day UMH #211 (1,2,4) "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Old Testament Lesson - Malachi 3:1-4

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 - Luke 3:1-6**

Sermon "The Herald of Jesus" Pastor Chad Christensen

***Closing Hymn TFWS #2197 (vs 1, 2, 4) "Lord of All Hopefulness"**

Benediction

***Postlude**

Welcome to Worship!

Visitors, please sign our guest book before leaving.

Upcoming Events:

Confirmation class will meet this week on Wednesday, December 11th 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 today December 8th.** The order will be placed tomorrow so you can call Janet in the morning for last minute orders.
- **SAVE THE DATE!! The Annual Women's Christmas Brunch** will be held next Saturday, 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 8

Reader: Janet Bugarin

Counters: Kathy Bartz and Shawn Lepp

Volunteers next week, December 15th

Reader: Kathy Bartz

Counters: Kim Marquardt and Lisa O'Neil

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: \$2,073.00

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



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