

Dodge Center
United Methodist Church
Baptism of Our Lord
January 12, 2025
8:15 AM



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Joys and Concerns

Prayer of Confession, Assurance and Pardon #890

*Centering Hymn-UMH #254 (vs. 1-3) "We Three Kings"

*Call To Worship Psalm 40:4-10

L: Happy are those who make
the Lord their trust,
who do not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after false gods.

**P: You have multiplied, O Lord my God,
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts towards us;
none can compare with you.**

**Were I to proclaim and tell of them,
they would be more than can be counted.**

L: Sacrifice and offering you do not desire,
but you have given me an open ear.

Burnt-offering and sin-offering
you have not required.

**P: Then I said, 'Here I am;
in the scroll of the book it is written of me.**

L: I delight to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart.'

**P: I have told the glad news of deliverance
in the great congregation;
see, I have not restrained my lips,
as you know, O Lord.**

L: I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness
from the great congregation

*Prayer of the Day

Stir up the wills of your faithful people, Lord God, and open our ears to the preaching of John, that, rejoicing in your salvation, we may bring forth the fruits of repentance; 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- TFWS #2149 (vs. 1-3) "Living for Jesus"

New Testament Lesson-1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Apostles' Creed-UMH #882

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Respond with: L: God of grace, **P: hear our prayer**

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

*Gospel Lesson - Matthew 20:20-28

Sermon: "On Ambition"

Pastor Chad Christensen

*Closing Hymn-UMH #251 (all vs.) "Go Tell It on the Mountain

Benediction

*Postlude

Welcome to Worship!

Visitors, please sign our guest book before leaving.

Upcoming Events and Announcements

Sermon Series - January 12 - February 23. Pastor Christensen is preaching a theme series called "Applications in Faith" by exploring normal conditions in our lives. Conditions are circumstances affecting the way in which people live or work, especially regarding their well-being. The conditions explored in the next two months will be: ambition, courage, respect, responsibility, building trust, mixed feelings and hesitation, and complaining. These conditions will be explored during the Sundays of the season of Epiphany from now through February 23. Today's condition is Ambition.

Confirmation class will meet this week on Wednesday, January 15th at 6:00 pm.

Our next Community Meal will be this Wednesday, January 15th from 5:00 to 6:00pm. The menu will be a variety of hotdishes and bars for dessert. You may sign up to donate or help that night on the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary, or use the following link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094CA5AC2AA1FA7-54134444-umcfree#/>

WWAP will meet on Saturday, January 18th.

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 signup sheet in the back.

Thank you to our volunteers today January 12, 2025

Reader: Kathy Bartz

Counters: Kathy Bartz and Shawn Lepp

Volunteers next week January 19, 2025

Reader: Janet Bugarin

Counters: Kim Marquardt and Lisa O'Neill

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: \$1,729.31

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



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