

Events

Sunday, December 10
 8:45 AM Sunday School
 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School @Library
 10:00 AM Worship

Monday, December 11
 4:00 PM Intercessory Prayer @Emerald Oaks
 7:00 PM Dig in Bible Study

Tuesday, December 12
 4:30 PM Shekinah Praise Team Rehearsal
 7:00 PM Financial Peace (last one)

Wednesday, December 13
 1:30 PM Upper Room @Emerald Oaks
 3:30 PM 345 ALIVE
 5:00 PM Confirmation 10
 6:00 PM Jr/Sr UMYF (Caroling at Care Centers)
 6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice

Thursday, December 14
 1:30 PM Peace & Love (PAL)
 6:00 PM Intensified Prayer @War Room

Friday, December 15
 Office Closed

Saturday, December 16
 6:00 PM Children's Christmas Program
 Christmas Supper (free-will offering)

Sunday, December 17
 8:45 AM Sunday School
 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School
 10:00 AM Worship

Ministry Opportunities

Liturgist, Greeters, Ushers, Acolytes, Children Sermon, Shekinah praise team, providing snacks and meals for 345 Alive, Jr. UMYF, and Sr. UMYF, pick up members who need a ride to worship service, volunteer to teach Sunday School, supporting in prayers and many other opportunities available. Sign-up sheets on table in the Narthex.

Happy Birthday & Anniversary*

- 10 Tara Clark
Jayme Lentz
- 12 Ali Weir
*James & Connie Manwarren
- 13 Bev Salas
*John & Shirley Schmidt
- 14 Ryan Bare
Ronja Klootwyk
Justine Tonderum
- 16 Mya Burns
*Ken & Janice Kassel



Empowering EFUMC Ministry

General Fund	\$7,511.00
Fellowship Hall	\$ 100.00
Global Migration	\$ 117.00
Total	\$7,728.00
Attendance	128

Thank you for snacks for 345 Alive, suppers for Jr/Sr UMYF, Sunday school teachers, serving on committees, prayers, presence, time, passion, love, and all other ways you serve our church!



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
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Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2017, 10:00 AM



Welcome!
We're glad you're here.
When you see the [], people are invited to arise as able.*

Liturgist Deb Wickman
Pianist Kelley Fog
Greeters The Anderson Family
Ushers/Acolytes The Anderson Family
Presentation Operator The Anderson Family

Prelude

Bringing In the Light of Christ

Announcements

*** Call to Worship**

L: In the middle of dark times, our Lord cries out:

P: "Comfort, comfort my people!"

L: When it seems as though we cannot see the light at the end of the tunnel,

P: Our Lord says to us,

"Be at peace, for your time of difficulty has ended."

L: Lord, we await the time of comfort and peace!

P: Lord, we are thankful for your compassion and never-failing love for us.
AMEN.

*** Opening Hymn** UMH #196 "O Come, Though Long-Expected Jesus"

*** Opening Prayer** (Isaiah 40, Psalm 85, 2 Peter 3)

God of winter and starlight,
You have promised us your presence:
to live among us,
to right all wrongs,
to bring good things to all who wait
for your new day.
In these dark days,
we look for signs of your coming:
the sounds of children at play,
the music that fills our hearts
with anticipation,
the company of all who serve
the last and the least.
Make us at home with righteousness,
that we may be ready to walk
in your holy ways. Amen.

Chancel Choir Dave Fog

Children's Sermon Darrin Adams

*** Praise and Worship** Shekinah Praise Team

*** Scripture Reading** (2 Peter 3:8-15a)

Message of Life "Lord's Patience" Pastor Hojin Shin

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

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

*** Offertory**

*** Closing Hymn** UMH #234 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

*** Blessing**

*** Song of Sending Forth** UMH #251 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" (Verse 1 only)

Postlude

"God Is Good! All the Time! Be a Witness!"

Joys, Concerns, Prayers

You are in our prayers: Carol Ensley, Steven Malm, Tami Culver, Nancy Hinrichs, Bernice Hersom, Rosie Culbertson, Carol Henderson, Sharon Hobart, John & Stacey Strohman, Kort Freeman, Scott Sanne (Grandson of Pearl Whitmore), Devin Morey, Mike & Lea Schipull, Philip Christenson (brother of Marge Solberg), Jon Williams, Cole McDonough, Curtis Boekemeier, Cindy Kassel, Ted Strohman, Deb Nissen (sister-in-law of Deb Wickman), Jane Stevens, Adolph Knobloch (Tami Culver's Uncle), Lois Lowman, Vi Sampson, Joyce Muller, Marjorie Solberg, including those who have been hospitalized and our military members.

Pastor's Home Visits

Pastor Hojin and Gloria are still visiting all families in their homes or in pastor's office. Please sign-up or call the office to schedule a time.