

**Events**

**Sunday, December 31**  
 10:00 AM Worship  
*\*No Adult or Children's Sunday School*

**Monday, January 1**  
 4:00 PM Intercessory Prayer @Emerald Oaks  
*\*No Dig In Bible Study*  
*\*Office Closed*

**Tuesday, January 2**  
 4:30 PM Shekinah Praise Team Rehearsal

**Wednesday, January 3**  
 1:30 PM Upper Room @Emerald Oaks  
 6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice  
*\*No Youth Activities during Winter Break*

**Thursday, January 4**  
 6:00 PM Intensified Prayer @War Room

**Friday, January 5**  
 10:00 AM Mona Knudson Visitation & Funeral  
*\*Office Closed*

**Sunday, January 7**  
 8:45 AM Sunday School  
 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School  
 10:00 AM Worship

**GET INVOLVED!**

**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\***

- 1 Laura Blanchet  
Mackenzie Sargent
- 2 Candy Bisenius
- 3 Norma Schaffer  
George Todnerum
- 4 Cindy Magee
- 6 David Fog  
Susan Embrock  
Dean Simonsen



**Empowering EFUMC Ministry**

**Sunday Morning Service**

General Fund	\$ 7,282.01
Funeral Fund	\$ 125.00
Sunday School	\$ 100.00
Fellowship Hall	\$ 6,875.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,382.00</b>
Attendance	125

**Candlelight Service**

General Fund	\$1,153.00
Fellowship Hall	\$1,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,653.00</b>
Attendance	179

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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**First Sunday after Christmas**

**December 31, 2017, 10:00 AM**



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

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**Liturgist** Ken Kassel  
**Pianist** Kelley Fog  
**Bell Choir** Melanie Flynn  
**Presentation Operator** The Embrock Family

**Prelude**

**Bringing In the Light of Christ**

**Announcements**

**\* Call to Worship**

L: The word comes forth from the mouth of God!  
A new name shatters Caesar's rod!

**P: Let us hear our new name,  
Let us turn to the light,  
Let us build a new earth,  
Let us celebrate new life!**

L: Let Simeon lift God's children to heaven!  
Let Anna reveal the name God has given!

**A: Let us hear our new name,  
Let us turn to the light,  
Let us build a new earth,  
Let us celebrate new life!**

**\* Opening Hymn** UMH #203 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

**\* Opening Prayer**

**O Comforter of the world's peoples,  
we tarry in your temple, awaiting a sign.  
You have long promised that those who hunger for righteousness  
shall not taste death before their deliverance.  
But death swaggers now outside our door,  
taunting us with each strike of the dock.  
Redeem us, O God.  
Send your life into our midst;  
deliver your spirit into our hearts.  
Then we, once feeble, shall cry, "God, my father!"  
We, once feeble, will become your children;  
we, once feeble, will take your name. Amen.**

**Bell Choir** "We Three Kings"

**Children's Sermon** Sarah Strohman

**\* Praise and Worship** Shekinah Praise Team

**\* Scripture Reading** Luke 13:6-9

**Message of Life** "LORD, Give Another Year!" 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 #623 "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee"

**\* Blessing**

**\* Song of Sending Forth** UMH #364 "Because He Lives" (verse 1 only)

**Postlude**

***"God Is Good All the Time! Happy New Year!"***

**Joys, Concerns, Prayers**

You are in our prayers: Mona Knudson's family, Gene Twait, John and Lana Williams Family, Rose Spears (Mother of Lynette McGrath), Reba Williams, Carol Ensley, Steven Malm, Jordan Anderson, 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.

