

First United Methodist Church

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November 28, 2021 — December 4, 2021

"First Sunday of Advent"

Usher / Greeter: Connie Kelsey

Organist: Mary Prater

Liturgist: Bette Jahn

Altar Flowers: Ruth Annelin

Fellowship: Mary & Bob Whinnen

Monday (11/29) Bible Study 11:30 AM / Prayer Group 12:30 PM

Tuesday (11/30)

Wednesday (12/1)

Thursday (12/2)

Friday (12/3)

Saturday (12/4) UMW Christmas Star of Hope Tea 1 PM

December 5, 2021 — December 11, 2021

"Second Sunday of Advent"

Usher / Greeter: Penny Tracy

Organist: Mary Prater

Liturgist: Carol Weinert

Altar Flowers: Poinsettias

Fellowship: Carol Livingston

Monday (12/6) Bible Study 11:30 AM / Prayer Group 12:30 PM

Tuesday (12/7) Trustees 5:30 PM

Wednesday (12/8)

Thursday (12/9)

Friday (12/10)



Let us please keep the following people in our prayers: Hank Weinert, Jodi Louwsma, Martha Weeks, Joel Prater, Ted Burson, Penny Tracy, Connie Whitsitt, Larry Billings, Jason Coryell, Kali Lewis, and the Janice Chittle family.



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CHURCH

190 North Cedar Manistique, MI 49854

Pastor B.J. Ash

Time to Go Home

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERIES



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November 28th, 2021
“First Sunday of Advent”



WORSHIP 11AM

PRELUDE The Voice of God is Calling/Just As I Am

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER—INVOCATION

PSALM 25: 1-10

***PRAISE CHORUS:** UMH 657 This Is the Day

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Each year we look forward to Advent, for it is a reminder of God’s tremendous love for us and the lengths to which He will go for us.

P: It is a time of rejoicing and celebrating with our families and friends. Yet, it can also be time of sorrow and weariness for those who have lost loved ones, or who lack the financial resources to participate in all the gift giving and partying which we associate with this time of year.

L: It is true that Christmas, for many the happiest time of year, can also be for many a time of weariness, depression, loneliness, and sorrow. How can we celebrate God’s greatest gift to us if we do not have enough strength or the resources to simply face another day?

P: O God, we do try to reach out the help those who have too little to bring any peace or joy to their lives. However, the needs always seem to outweigh the amount we can give or do. How can we really help?

L: Sometimes those around us can benefit more from our friendship and our caring that they can derive from our gifts and our money. They also need God’s promised Messiah in their lives. Yet too often, we resist spreading the Good News. We fear being rejected as too “preachy.”

P: Forgive us, O God, when we do not proclaim Your love to others for fear that we will be uncomfortable in doing so. Remind us that Christmas is about Your love and Your Son, not Santa Claus and being superficially jolly in a world craving real caring, love, joy, and peace.

***OPENING HYMN:** UMH 514

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

***APOSTLE’S CREED:** UMH 881

Sharing the Peace of Christ

CHILDREN’S TIME

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** UMH 213

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

***GOSPEL READING:**

Luke 21:25-36

SERMON

Time to Go Home

PRAYER TIME

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

PRAYER HYMN

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
 Hear Our Prayer, O Lord,
 Incline Thine ear to us,
 And grant us Thy peace.

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

O How I Love Jesus

***DOXOLOGY:** UMH 95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

With Thankful Hearts

***CLOSING HYMN:** UMH 196

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE:**

Ask Me What Great Things I Know

* DENOTES CONGREGATION STANDING (AS ABLE)

* PLEASE BE SURE TO SILENCE ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES DURING THE WORSHIP SERVICE