

December 3, 2017



First Sunday of Advent

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:00 am Worship Service

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Mission Statement:

“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

Welcome visitors – We’re glad you’re here. If you’ve not been here before, relax. We aren’t going to ask you to stand up and introduce yourself.

If children are with you, that’s wonderful. Jesus loves children, and so do we. You might sit near the front so the children can see and hear everything. There are children’s activity bags on the coat tree at the back of the sanctuary; a special children’s time, “From a Child’s Point of View,” and children’s bulletins are on the table. We do offer a staffed nursery for children 5 and under during worship if you’d prefer to use it. The easiest way to get there is to have an usher provide an escort.

Ask an usher about using a **hearing assist device**; or for a **large print Hymnal** or Bulletin. Inside this bulletin is an insert. Please fill it out and use it for an “offering” at that time of the service. A fellowship time with refreshments is offered in the Dining Room at the conclusion of worship. Everyone is welcome!!

Tipton First United Methodist Church

Welcome to Worship

10:00 am

December 3, 2017

Together We Come Into God's **PRESENCE**

** Indicates to Rise in body or in spirit. (Items in **bold** spoken by congregation)*

PRELUDE "Wachet Auf, Ruft Uns Die Stimme" Mary Savelkoul

(Let this be a time when you prepare your heart for worship.)

(The Light of Christ enters our worship)

WELCOME

* PASSING THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Bierman Family

* SONG OF PRAISE "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" No. 196

CONFIRMAND STATEMENTS OF FAITH Liz Bierman, Zoe Stonebraker, Emma Russell

ACT OF PRAISE "Mary Rocked the Little Baby" Chancel Choir

FROM A CHILD'S POINT OF VIEW "Guess Who's Coming for Christmas?" Grady Glick

(The pocket change collected in the copper kettles each week is given to missions. Use this time to complete your small insert to be put in the offering plate later in worship.)

God Calls Us to **PRAY**

(The paper insert in your bulletin includes space to write prayer concerns.)

PRAYER SONG "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" No. 211; Vs. 1, 4

PRAYER OF WORSHIP Melinda Stonebraker

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CELEBRATING THE CONFIRMATION JOURNEY AND BAPTISM Pastor Jenny

We Proclaim Christ's WITNESS Through the Word

* SCRIPTURE READING Luke 1: 26-38 (NRSV) Gracy Procopio

Leader: The Inspired Word of God for the people of God. Response: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE "Mary's Gift of Obedience" Pastor Jenny

Experiencing the Generosity of God by the Giving and Receiving of **GIFTS**

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS Carter Hill

We Are Sent Forth for God's SERVICE to the World

* SONG OF SENDING "I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" No. 333; Vs. 1, 2, 4

(The Light of Christ goes out before us to guide us to serve.)

* BLESSING AND SENDING Lead by Adam Heil

* POSTLUDE "Wake, Awake for Night is Flying" Mary Savelkoul & Dusty Johnson

Please join us for refreshments in the Gathering Place after worship. Everyone is welcome!

Today's Servants

Acolytes: Owen & Emmett Steinman
Children's Lesson: Confirmation Youth
Liturgist: Judy Rouse
Ushers: Deb Conant & Allen Charette
Richard Anderson
Greeters: Dusty Johnson family

Nursery: Kim Rogstad
PowerPoint: Trina & Landon Hill
Fellowship Coffee: Abigail Circle
Advent Candle: Bierman Family
Communion Servers: Confirmation Youth

This Week

Sunday, Dec 3

10:00 am Worship

Monday, Dec 4

6:45 pm Missions Meeting

Tuesday, Dec 5

1:00 pm GIG

6:30 pm Bible Study

Wednesday Dec 6

5:30 am Youth Group

6:00 pm Hand Chime Rehearsal

6:30 pm GIG

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, Dec 7

9:30 am Communion Cedar Manor

10:00 am GIG

6:30 pm Chaos Rehearsal

Saturday, Dec 9

11:30 Shared Blessings

Tour of Lights & Soup Supper
at St Mary's Hall

Prayers

Hospitalized/Procedures: Arlene Errthum, Myrna (Lorna Muller's Sis).

Healing: Nick Brown, Gary Eichhorn, Jan Esbeck, Jerry Ferguson, Frances Ford, Marvin Ford, Berrie Glick, Bob Gould, Rex Idlewine, Jen Johnson, Carsten Kime, Erma Lyle, Deborah Lowry, Lynn McIntosh, Ken McKay, Randy Nau, Mike Smith, Marjorie Stonerook, Rhonda Waugh, and others.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions: Sylvia & Ken Gould

Individuals & Families experiencing loss. Pastor Jenny and Family, Marv & Kay Miller, Jerry & Sylvia Ferguson, Twyla Hein & Kim Cross, Ken & Lorna Muller

In Treatment: Clara Italiano, Taylor Miller (Sherry Willey's granddaughter)

Hospice/Palliative Care: Joe Cheshaeck (Gail Fleming's bro-in-law), Bernice Eisele (Mike's mother) @ St. Cloud, MN

Armed Services: Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Kyle Marchik, Kaitlyn McKinney, Corey & Alexa Ormsby, Chris Paul, Dave Russell

Budget:

General Fund \$2,217.00

Missions \$25.00

Shared Blessings \$2.00

Thanksgiving Offering \$110.00

Copper Kettle \$54.01

GRAND TOTAL \$2,408.01

May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance.

Jude 1:2

Special Announcements

Confirmation Sunday is today during Worship. There will be a reception in the Dining Room following the service.

Fellowship treats after worship will be served downstairs in the Dining Room beginning today. There will still be store-bought treats and coffee in the Gathering Place from 9:45-10:00am.

If you are planning to carol during the Tour of Light on December 9, meet the Heil family in at the corner of Cedar Street and 5th Street (by US Bank) at 6:00pm.

Sunday Schedule

8:15-8:45 am - Choir Kids Practice	10:00 Worship Service
8:45-9:45 am -Adult GIGs, Adult Classes, Youth Sunday School and Children's Sunday School	11:00-11:30 am Fellowship - Gathering Place for all ages.
9:45-10:00 am - Fellowship-Gathering Place for all ages.	11:15 am-12:15 pm – New Adult Classes and GIGs meet

December 10 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Noah Johnson & Anton Slach	Nursery: Kris Clark
Children's Lesson: Melinda Stonebraker	PowerPoint: Brian Heil
Liturgist: Jen Johnson	Fellowship Coffee: Betty & Emma Russell, Bob & Barb Rickard
Ushers: Les & Leanne Boots, Jerry & Marcia Murphy	Advent Candle: Emma & Betty Russell
Greeters: Rich & Kaiya Rickard Urban	

Church Staff

Jenny Seylar - Pastor	Melinda Stonebraker - Discipleship Ministries Director
Greg Brown- Administrative Ministries Coordinator, Christian Chaos Director	
Don Griffith - Custodian	Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director
Jo Brown, Dee Wallace & Mary Savelkoul- Accompanists	
Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director	
Megan Coppess-Little Friends Preschool Director/Teacher	