



FUEL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

FUEL's annual Christmas Program on Wednesday night, December 18, 2019 beginning at 7 pm. It always brings a smile and warms our hearts to watch our kids come together and present the Christmas Story. We would love to have EVERYONE come and see what a special night will be! Parents and their children should be here by 6pm that night.

SIDE NOTE: THERE IS FUEL AND CONFIRMATION DECEMBER 4TH, IT WAS NOT ON THE CALENDAR IN THE MESSENGER



For many people Christmas can be stressful and chaotic, perhaps a time of feeling the loss of loved ones. The intent of this event is for you to be able to come to a quiet peaceful place to reflect and remember the real reason for this season.

Please join us for our Annual Christmas Meditation. Have a seat in the sanctuary, listen to peaceful Christmas music and relax. This is a free event and open to the public. There will be homemade Christmas goodies, coffee and cider in the Narthex.



Here are the weekly giving numbers for the week of November 24, 2019.

Amount needed - \$4,026 Amount given - \$4772.56

Thank you for your offering! Online giving not included in that total.

THE PRAYER CHAIN FOR 12/01/2019

Everett & Jan Brandenburg
Sondra Coulter
Mary Gehrke
Marie Paulsen
Vicki Walker
and for revival of our Nation

Silver Bucket for December



COMMUNITY DINNER

AND



Weekly Event Calendar and Birthdays

December 1, 2019 - Sunday

9am - Coffee Hour & Adult SS
10am - Hanging of the Greens Worship Service
4:30pm - Genesis/Revelation Bible Study
6pm - ALIVE Youth Group - Great Bear

December 2, 2019 - Monday

8pm - AA Meeting

December 3, 2019 - Tuesday

12pm - Homeschoolers

December 4, 2019 - Wednesday

6pm - FUEL and Confirmation

8pm - AA Meeting

December 5, 2019 - Thursday

1-3pm -Rock County Food Shelf

December 7, 2019 - Saturday

8pm - AA Meeting

December

- 3 - Nova Like
Silvia Recuero
- 4 - Jerry Rigney
Kaysen Kruse
- 5 - Paul Donth, Jr.
- 6 - Mitchell Schomacker
Kurt Schomacker
- 7 - Adam VonHoltum



Luverne United Methodist Church WORSHIP SERVICE 1st Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019 Bulletin



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Your Worship Assistants are:

Accompanist: Anissa Vis
Worship Assistants: Kim Donth
Lay Reader: Mary Gehrke
Power Point: Jessie VandeHoef

Sound: Jason Kruse
Host: Wayne Biever and Kim Donth
Trustee of the Week: Al Aanenson
Coffee Assistants: Paul and Lola Donth

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP, responsively,

May the Lord be with you,
And also with you!
Make ready a pathway for our God.
Clean out the debris in our hearts and our closets.
Clear out a space in our calendars.
Put aside any sense of unworthiness
And focus on the One who comes to love us.
Prepare a place in our homes and hearts.
Set the table and light the candles,
For Christ is coming.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “O Come All Ye Faithful”

Introduction to Service

#234 UMH
VERSES 1-2

CONGRATIONAL HYMN: “Hark the Herald Sing”

“But quietly now. Listen outside. Come away from the fire,
From your knitting, from your reading. Hear the singing, and
Listen: The Christmas Bells are ringing!”

#240 UMH
VERSES 1-2

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “Oh Little Town of Bethlehem”

The Preparation

“Each time of desperation, times some thought it would
have been better if the sun were never to shine again, God
gave us a leader—and more than that, he gave us HOPE!”

#230 UMH
VERSES 1-2

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “In the Bleak Midwinter”

The Birth

“The child was magnificent: he was beautiful! And although
I knew I must be imagining it, he seemed to have a look of
confidence, of peace—of that word I keep saying since that
evening—of hope!”

#221 UMH
VERSES 1-2

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “Silent Night”

The Prophetic Star

“The skies, for some reason, seemed alive that night...doubtless there were few others
than we who noticed; but then, it appears to me that there are many who pass by
the most obvious signs and think they are commonplace.”

#239 UMH
VERSES 1-2

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “As it Fell Upon A Night”

#218 UMH
VERSES 1-2

The Homage of the Shepherds and Magi

“Hope means possibility. We had been waiting, but we didn’t know what we were
waiting for. And now we had it. Our lives had—possibility! That’s what we wanted
to tell you. That’s what we wanted to share with you.”

OFFERTORY

SPECIAL MUSIC

ANISSA VIS

DOXOLOGY, in unison,

UMH #94

OFFERTORY PRAYER, in unison,

**Gracious God, we give because you have so generously given to us. Take
these gifts and multiply them. Send these gifts to places and people where they
are needed so that others may see Jesus. Amen.**

“The Bells are ringing! Its not too late! The candles and the lights and the
trees and the greens: Christmas Eve is coming!”

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “Holly and Ivy”

PROJECTED

The Feast

“Now go finish with your preparations. We have a great feast to observe...but
The stillness of the night in Bethlehem, so long ago, and the gift of the morning:
which brought the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.”

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

#196 UMH
VERSE 1

BENEDICTION

“Yours is the hope of life in its fullness.”

“Yours is the love made manifest in Jesus Christ.”

“Yours is the gift of the Maiden of Galilee.”

“Yours is the peace of the silent night.”

“Yours is the joy of friends and family---remembered and close by.”

“Yours is the blessing of God our Father, whose gift to us this season is Jesus!”

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN: “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

#196 UMH
VERSE 2

POSTLUDE

****Don’t forget to join us in the Fellowship Hall for our annual Christmas Potluck. Enjoy
the beginning of the season surrounded by your Faith Family and lots of good food!****