A RESPONSE TO THE LIFE OF JOURNEY WITH THECHRIST OF CHRISTMAS, in unison We long for your coming, O God, but we are often unprepared for you to come because we have not always lived as your people. Many times in our lives, we have disobeyed your will. We have not always done what we should have done. Sometimes, we have done what we should not have done. Sometimes, we have failed and sin. Forgive us, Lord. This day we ask for strength to be who you call us to be. We ask for the Holy Spirit to take us on a journey of faith this season, filled with our love. In Jesus' name, Amen.

BLESSING OF OUR FELLOWSHIP

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Breath of Heaven"

ANISSA AND FELICIA

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



The hanging of the Greens service is a very special event to help our Faith Family come together to herald in the Advent season. It is intended to be very interactive and you will be encouraged to participate at some level. Please enjoy this special service planned to bring joy and a sense of warmth and family at the beginning of our holiday season.

Blessings to each and every one of you! ~ Your Worship Team

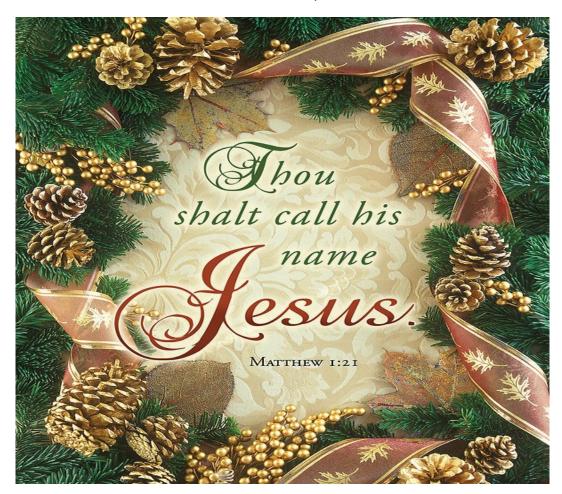


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Luverne United Methodist Church Hanging of the Greens Worship Service 2nd Sunday of Advent December 4, 2022



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Your Worship Assistants today are:

Accompanist: Anissa Vis

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Lay Reader: Laura Hollaren

Worship Assistant: Felicia Hanson

Host: Paul Jr. and Lola Donth

Coffee: Emily Crabtree

Power Point: Carol McDonald

Trustee: Morris Fick - December 5-11, 2022

COMING TOGETHER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNITED WE SING

"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

#218 UMH VERSES1-3

CALL TO WORSHIP/ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING, responsively,

L: May the Lord be with you..

C: And also with you...

UNITED WE SING

L: We have come to worship the Lord, the God of all nations.

C: The righteous and faithful judge, Christ the coming King.

L: The Spirit of wisdom and understanding rests upon him.

C: Under his reign righteousness will flourish and peace will fill the earth.

L: The Spirit of council and might rests upon him.

C: He will judge the poor with equity and compassion, defending the cause of the needy.

L: The Spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord rests upon him.

C: The earth will be full of knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

L: In those days the wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid.

C: The calf and the lion together, and a little child shall lead them.

L: A voice is crying out in the wilderness: prepare the way of the Lord!

C: Repent and bear fruit for the coming Kingdom of God.

L: Christ is coming! May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace as we worship.

C: May we abound in hope through thew power of the Holy Spirit. (Light 2 Advent candles)

L: A voice is crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the of the Lord!

C: Repent and bear fruit for the coming Kingdom of God.

"Come thou Long Expected Jesus"

#196 UMH

Offerings can be placed in the offering baskets when the ushers pass them, bring them forward to the altar, or you can use the online GIVE link on our website: www.umcluverne.com or using our mobile app.

THE MEANING OF THE SERVICE

UNITED WE SING "Deck the Halls" SEE INSERT

A JOURNEY BACK IN TIME

UNITED WE SING "Away in a Manger" #217 UMH

A JOURNEY INTO THE WOODS

UNITED WE SING "What Child is This?" #219 UMH

A JOURNEY IN SONG

UNITED WE SING "We Three Kings" #254 UMH
VERSES 1, 3, AND 6

A JOURNEY IN NATURE

UNITED WE SING "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" #216 UMH

VERSE 1

A JOURNEY IN WORD Isaiah 7:14 (Page 686 NIV)

Isaiah 11:1-3 (Page 690 NIV)

Matthew 1:18-25 (Page 966)

A CHILD OF JOURNEY

UNITED WE SING "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" #229 UMH

STILL A JOURNEY IN WORD Isaiah 9:2-7 (Page 687-688)

A JOURNEY IN SYMBOLS

UNITED WE SING "The Holly and the Ivy" SEE INSERT

A JOURNEY OF LIGHTS

UNITED WE SING "O Christmas Tree" SEE INSERT

A JOURNEY OF LOVE

UNITED WE SING "O Come All Ye Faithful" #234 UMH

VERSES 1-3