

**WELCOME TO MEMORIAL
UNITED CHURCH
First Sunday of Christmas
January 1, 2023**

Upcoming dates

Jan 8 - 10:30 - Epiphany Worship - Debbie Aitken

Jan 11 - 7:00 pm - Session Mtg via Zoom

Jan 15 - 10:30 - Worship - Debbie Aitken

Jan 22 - 10:30 - Worship - Larry Siebrands

Jan 29 - 10:30 Worship - Debbie Aitken

Feb. 12 -Potluck and Annual Official Board Meeting following worship

**ANNUAL REPORT REMINDER - A Reminder to have your reports to
Mark by January 29th**

Please remember the Breakfast program. They require;

Juice boxes - Orange or apple

Granola bars - plain or cinnamon

Jam

Cheese Whiz

Pancake mix

Our offering plate is located near the sanctuary doors. Please place your contributions there, since we will not be taking an offering as we have in the past. It's one way to be mindful of the Covid restrictions.

Montague Food Bank Items need on a regular basis: canned meats and fish, soup, cereal, side and main dishes, pasta sauce, canned fruit and vegetables, crackers, condiments, unscented toiletries and pet food, feminine hygiene products, monetary donations to purchase fresh food.

PAR, or Pre-Authorized Remittance, is a direct debit program that allows people to support their church through an automatic monthly withdrawal from their bank account. Contact Maureen MacLeod if you are interested in contributing to our church through our PAR. Sure makes giving easier!

* please stand as able!

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting of Christ Candle & Candles for World

Life & Work of the Community

*Hymn Angels We Have Heard on High 38VU

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Minutes for Mission. Margaret Brady

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

*Hymn Twas in the Moon of Wintertime 71VU

A Story for all ages

Scripture Reading A Poetic Reading of John 1

*Hymn All Poor Ones and Humble 68VU

Reading "Boxed" written by Ann Weems

Offering

Anthem

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer:

Reading "I Arise in the New Year" written by Joyce Rupp

*Hymn In the Bleak Midwinter 55VU

Commissioning & Benediction

*Sending Forth Love Shines As The Solitary Star 220MV

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