

**WELCOME TO MEMORIAL
UNITED CHURCH
November 27th, 2022
First Sunday in Advent**

* please stand as able

Prelude

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Lighting of Christ Candle and Candles for Advent

A Candle is Burning(vs 1) #6VU

Life & Work of the Community

*Hymn Come Thou Long Expected Jesus #2VU

We Gather to Worship

Gathering Prayer

Minute for Mission Becky Gosbee

*Hymn Jesus Bids Us Shine 585VU

Hanging the Jesse Tree Angels

A Story for all Ages

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122 845VU
Mark 13:28-33

Sermon: *"Practicing Advent"*

Prayer of the People

Offering

Anthem

Offertory Prayer

*Hymn Bread of Life 194MV

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

"The Gifts of God for the People of God"

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn It Came Upon the Midnight Clear 44VU

Benediction

*Sending Forth God Will Make a Way

~ call to Worship written by Christine Sine (2012), and posted on GodSpace; Benediction adapted from Candles & Conifers, pp.106-107;

Upcoming dates

Nov 27 - Advent 1 - Sacrament of Holy Communion - Debbie Aitken

Dec 2nd and 3rd - Christmas Craft Fair and Bake Sale & Cafe
(Saturday morning)

Dec 4 - Advent 2 - Debbie Aitken

Dec. 11 - Advent 3 - White Gift and Sunday School Pageant
Dec. 16 - Seniors' Meal

Dec. 18 - Advent 4 - Mark Tiller

Dec. 24 - 6:30 - Christmas Eve Service - Debbie Aitken

Dec 25 - no service this day

Jan 1 - New Years Day - Debbie Aitken

Please remember the Breakfast program. They require;

Juice boxes - Orange or apple
Granola bars - plain or cinnamon
Jam
Cheese Whiz
Pancake mix

We have chosen Emma's Cupboard as our Christmas Project and we welcome financial gifts to help support their care of children in our schools. As well as monetary gifts to buy food supplies for lunches for children, gifts such as mittens and hats for children in need of them are welcomed.

Please have your information for the Jesse tree in to Jessie Somers by Friday at the latest if you want them read the following Sunday. Email to c.j.somers@outlook.com

Session met on November 16 with all members present. The first seniors meal in October served about 80 meals. The Remembrance Wreath was laid in Murray River by Rev. Debbie Aitken. Thank you to Beth and Vera for putting the outdoor advent candles up. The Christmas Project will be Emma's Cupboard. White gifts will go to the breakfast program at Southern Kings Consolidated School. Christmas Eve service will be at 6:30 pm.

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!

Choir will have its weekly meeting next Thursday, 1:30 p.m. at the church. All are welcome.

Church Bulletin Blooper (To Make You Smile): "Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It is a good chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands."

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