

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE

*For December, the **McCook Food Pantry focus** is: sugar, flour, and taco seasoning packets. Please have all items to the church by the end of the month.

*Sign up for **church camp**! Camp Judson usually fills up by January, so, if you're children are interested, please sign-up by then. If you have any questions, please speak with Brad or Susie Schroeder. Reminder: the church camp scholarship fund reimburses 60% of camp registration.

*The church has nine tickets available for the **ResGen Men's Conference** in Sioux Falls on Saturday, February 3rd from 8:30 am—1:30 pm. If you are interested in attending, please see Pastor Jerry for a ticket.

*A four-week adult Sunday school class continues today after worship in the classroom off of the fellowship hall. We will be using PCUSA curriculum called *Do Not Fear*.

*The youth will be hosting a fundraiser for the youth fund during the fellowship time. The food will include: biscuits and gravy, muffins, and fruit.

*Two Christmas Eve services will be held on Sunday, December 24 – 9:30 am and 5:00 p.m.



*"For unto us
a Child is born..."*

**December 17, 2023
Third Sunday of Advent**

Order of Worship

Hadassah Church, Organist

Prelude Youth Band “We Three Kings”

Gathering for Worship

Lighting of Advent Candles

*Opening Song “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing” #191

*Opening Prayer & Greeting

*Song “Away in a Manger” #213

Welcome & Announcements

Song “O Holy Night” #195

Youth Bells “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

Congregational Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Adult Bells “Amen! Amen!”

Scripture Reading Isaiah 9:2-7 OT pg 560

*Song “What Child Is This?” #202

Christmas Program, Part 1

Song “Angels We Have Heard on High” #206

Christmas Program, Part 2

Closing Song “Go, Tell It on the Mountain” #216

Benediction

Postlude

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Please pray for these joys and concerns this week:

*Prayer/Praise Requests (from last Sunday and this week):

- ◆ Pray for the family of Ada Buseman, who has passed away.
- ◆ Pray for Dr. Susan Anderson and the effectiveness of treatments.
- ◆ Prayer for Steve Richarz family as his sister passed away.

Ongoing health concerns: Sherry (Jerman) McKay, Donna Diede, Alexa and Rylie Rothenberger, Sally Ortman, Margie Stevens, Susan Anderson, Judy Scott, Barb Falk, Rev Dick Rinearson, Dakota Marcucci, Casey Baldwin, Ken Scott, David McGirr, and Craig Shanks.

Weekly Schedule & Activities:

Sunday: 12/17
9:30 am Worship
10:40 am Sunday School
& Youth Fundraiser
11:30 pm Confirmation Class

Monday: 12/18
9:00 am Prayers and Squares

Wednesday: 12/20
No Youth Activities

Friday: 12/22
6:00 am Men’s
Breakfast

*Next Sunday:
12/24 9:30 am
Worship
10:40 am **NO**
Sunday School
5:00 pm
Christmas Eve
Service

Usher and Nursery Schedule

Dec. 17th—Dawsons
Nursery worker is Olsen Family

Dec. 24th—Lindbloom's
Nursery worker is (OPEN)

Dec. 24th evening—Popkes

Dec. 31st —Margaret & Michael
Nursery Worker is Lindbloom's

A Christmas Prayer

Lord, the door of the inn was open for Mary and Joseph when they had nowhere to stay. Help your church to open its doors to those who need food to eat and money to heat their homes.

The shepherds alone in the fields were visited by angels. May your church visit the lonely and isolated.

The wise men gave gifts to Jesus. May we give our lives to serve Christ and others this Christmas and forevermore.

Amen.

