

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

For December the McCook Food Pantry focus is;

### **Sugar, Flour and Taco seasoning in packets**

Please have the items to the church by the end of the month.

### **Announcements:**

~**Christmas Day** At-home worship kits are available at our Christmas Eve Service.

~**Offerings can be made until December 31st or postmarked by that date, if mailed.**

~**Exciting News!:** The church has partnered with FlockNote as our a new communication platform. All texts, congregational notices, prayer requests, and e-newsletters will be coming from this service starting December 12<sup>th</sup>. This is an “opt-in” system, so, you will need to text UCCJOIN to 84576 in order to join this new communication system and receive the emails/texts, or you may let the church office know and your cell phone number and email address will be added (please fill out a form located on the table in the entry way). Let Karyn know if you need help:)

### **\*Annual Meeting:**

Just a reminder that we will be holding our annual meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023. Committee Chairs please have all of your annual reports to Karyn by no later than Friday January 13th. If I do not have the report from your committee by the 13th, the annual report will be printed without it. Also, please get together with your committee to decide who will be your council delegate and who will be the alternate. Thank you very much.



# Merry Christmas!

Lessons & Carols Service – 5:00 pm

*Diane Mammenga, Organist*

Prelude – *Beth Tappin on the harp*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath (Luke 2:1-20)

Call to Worship #183

Song “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” #186

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7  
“O Little Town of Bethlehem” #200

Bell Choir

Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9  
“O Holy Night” #195

Luke 1:26-38  
Children’s Story – *The First Night Before Christmas*  
by Steve Richarz

Matthew 1:18-25  
“Away in a Manger” #213

Choir Anthem

Luke 2:21-35  
Reflection on *The Gift of the Magi* by O. Henry

John 1:1-4  
“Silent Night” #189

Benediction

## At-Home Worship Kits

There is no in-person worship tomorrow, on Christmas Day. You are encouraged to spend time at home celebrating the birth of our Savior and enjoying the wonder of Christmas.

\*You are invited to assemble your at-home worship kits, which are available in the entry way. Elements in the kit include:

Hot cocoa packets (please take as many as you’d like)

Candy Canes

Audio CDs of the Dakotas United Methodist Worship Service (with special music from Dick Dawson)

An order of service  
litany

The film *The Star*  
(please, one per family)

A Christmas ornament  
made in Bethlehem  
from olive wood (one  
per family, please)

And family activity  
pages to celebrate  
Jesus’ birthday

\*\*May you have a blessed  
and Merry Christmas!\*\*

