

THE COMMUNICATOR

December 14, 2025



**Sunday, December 14, 2025
9:00 a.m. Traditional Experience**

**Prelude – Mary Did You Know - Dr. Kim
Welcome/Announcements**

Angels We Have Heard on High – UMH 238 vs. 1 & 2

Greeting – Alice Chester

Advent Reading – Stacy Braun, Julie Farthing, Brooke Summers

Isaiah 35:1- 7 – Julie Farthing

Children's Program

How Great Our Joy – Victory Ringers

Luke 1:46b-55 – Julie Farthing

Elf – Full of Joy - Pastor Marie Smith

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Love Came Down a Christmas – UMH 242 vs. 3

Offering

**Offertory: Good Christian Friends – Dr. Kim
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow – UMH 95**

O Little Town of Bethlehem – UMH 230 vs.1 & 4

Benediction

Postlude – Away In A Manger - Dr. Kim

**Sunday, December 14, 2025
10:30 am Contemporary Service**

Welcome - Levi Graf

Advent Candle Lighting

**Angels We Have Heard On High
Yield Your Heart
Stand In Your Love**

Children's Play

**Announcements & Offering
Hope For The Lost**

**Isaiah 35: 1-7
Luke 1: 46b-55**

Elf – Full of Joy – Pastor Marie Smith

Lighting of Candles

God With Us

Benediction

Prayer List for Dec. 11, 2025

**Doug Sweazy
Tom Cooke
Neal Wolfe
Marci Pheister
Pete Cherrington
Melissa Matz
Jo Shappard**

**Brandon Fessler
Ashley McGuire
Diane Maxon
Kelly Barthelmas**

**Baldwin Family – Passing of John Baldwin
Kellough Family – Everett Kellough
Gardner Family – Passing of their Mother**

Movies that Shape Us Elf... Joyful in Every Way

Rev Marie Smith

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Please use these sermon notes as a jumping off point for your own spiritual journey. We know everyone is on their own pathway. We hope you will find this useful. Please see Pastor Marie if you have questions or if you want to take the next step in your faith journey.

Isaiah 35:1-7

Luke 1: 46b-55

Joy is contagious!

Buddy sees the world through the eyes of Joy and of possibilities.

They choose to believe in this gladness and joy.

God gave favor

Luke 1: 47-48 "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant. Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed, Everything that has happened is because of God's favor. "

God gives mercy to Mary.

Luke 1: 50b "his mercy is for those who fear him"

Mary points out God has shown great strength.

Luke 1:51a "He has shown strength with his arm;"

God helped Israel, the people.

Luke 1:54 "He has come to the aid of his child Israel,"

Joy doesn't cancel out the heavy things but it gives you little pockets of strength to carry on. Let it in whenever and whenever you can. (Stacie Swift)

Action Steps:

1. Joy is contagious, how are you spreading it?
2. Mary choose to live in God's economy. How are you living?
3. Find Joy this week.



Please be sure to turn in your 2026 pledge cards before year-end.



EVENTS SCHEDULE 2025

DECEMBER

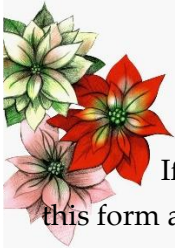
SUN 12/07
YOUTH DELIVERING ADVENT JOY KITS TO NURSING HOMES/CHRISTMAS CAROLING

SUN 12/21
YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY/GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST 6PM-8PM

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN OUR AUTOMATED TEXTS, PLEASE TEXT YOUR NAME TO 740-731-2064



Poinsettia Requests are due this Monday, Dec. 15th.



2025 The Christmas Poinsettia Request Form

If you wish to purchase a Christmas Poinsettia or multiples please complete this form and **return it by Monday, Dec. 15th to the Church Office.** Please include \$13.00 for each poinsettia that you would like to order. Flowers will be available for pick up after the Christmas Eve service.

Payment is needed at the time of your request.

Given By _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Church Office Use: Date Received: _____

Check # _____ Amount Rec'd _____

Cash _____ Amount Rec'd _____

flowers ordered _____