Calendar - Week of December 7h

Today: 9 Encounter | 10 Coffee Time w/ Pastor Victor | 10:30 Worship

<u>Tuesday</u>: **10 UWF offsite** | *12-4 Bridge fh* | 10:30 Freedge Ministry | 11-2 Music Director hours **Wednesday**: *BSF 9*<sup>30</sup> *upstrs* | 11 Prayer Group **(All are welcome)** *fh* | 6 Bells | 7 Choir | *TOPS 5*<sup>30</sup>

<u>Thursday</u>: TOPS 8:30 | 4 Church Council Friday: office closed | 11-3 Bridge fh

Sunday, Dec. 14, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent | 9 Encounter | 10 Coffee | 10<sup>30</sup> Worship | 7 Concert

Leaders	Today	Next Week
Booth	Sam Henshaw	Steve Spurr
Scripture	Cathy Lichvar	Cathy Lichvar
Greeters	Vicky Maphis & Judy Chapman	Arnold & Glenda Gale
Children	Lisa Dawson & Cathy Lichvar	Danna Doyle & Glenda Gale
Counters	Roger Hill & Brian Henshaw	Roy Walker'& Lorraine Shelton

**Pew Prayers:** Charlie Donohoe; Laura (Dan) Folger; Christie; Dr. Shiela Belanger; Delaney; family of Katie Sabol; those suffering from stress, grief and anxieties; wisdom; Debbie Angelatti; Mark Quakenbush; Mary Strosnider; Seegren family; Mark Wells; Deanna Wells; Zoe Skeens; family of Paul Davis; Rich Lichvar; Stori; Sarah; Sage; Kathy; Amanda; Emma; Caleb; Jacob; Sarah; Alexis; Roger; Sandy; Epsteins; Linda Nesmith (Ric D.'s sister); Dusti; Maureen; Ursula; Doug; June & Nate W.; MMIW; our country & leaders; Hong Kong fire victims; Charlie; my FL family; Annie; Will; Beeken family; Logan family; Russ Conklin; Avery Conklin; Amy & Caitlin; Richard Sanchez; our ministers; Carolyn Barr; Christians of Nigeria; Jessica Hunter; Tracy Ford; Anna Richardson; Rev. Kristin Whitesides; Michael Cheladyn; Vicky Johnson; Virginia Stanley; Will Rodgers; Drew; Lindsey; Wes; Aiden; Jim Barker; Tim Gale; Ellen Neff; Moyers; Bollingers; Trammels; Blooms; Natalie Palmer; BeBe Saldana; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Alida O'Neal; Bonnie Lee; Leroy Lamar; Kelly O'Neal; Dennis Tusing; Hadleigh Thornley & family; LSCS Tiffany McMahon; Sherry & Daniel Whitacre; Mary Kathryn Clark; Shirley Dick; Marilyn Stelzl; McKenna Newcome & family; Jane Thomas; family of Jean Snider; JoAnne Carper; Sandra Keiter; ; Rev. Clay & Lisa Knick; Pastor Aaron; Helen & Russ Fitch; Nelda & Charles Harless; Bob, Lorraine & Norma Wilson; Dawna Wilson; Sandy Wilson; Nellie Snoots; Ed Marshall; Tina and Shane Weagley; Mary Haines; Amy, Frank Haines, & boys; Sharon & George Teets; our world; the hungry, homeless, lonely, and grieving; Mason Look; Barbara Bledsoe; Carole Ay; Sandra Keiter; Spurrs; Kay-Beth Ambrose; Aimee Lorusso; Don Adams; Jason Ritchie (Tammy Corey's brother); Wendy (Gussie's friend); Bloxom family Care Facilities: Lynn Care: Marilyn Stelzl; Search Grp. Home: Steven Dobbin; Spring Arbor: Marietta Lipscomb; Military: Cpt. Douglas Castro; LT Jared Castro; Other: Peggy Gillich

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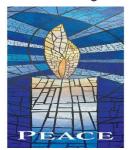
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December 7th, 2025

2nd Sunday of Advent

\*Stand as able; bold print-all respond

Prelude (Prepare your hearts for worship) David Landrum

Ringing of the Bell

Greeting Lay Leader, Ric Dunkle | Rev. Dr. Gómez

\*Hymn 220 (UMH) Angels from the Realms of Glory

Lighting of the Altar Candles

\*Lighting of the Advent Candle of Peace Nancy Tisinger & Dennis O'Neal

The angels sang, "Peace on earth, goodwill to all."

We long for peace—within us, among us, and throughout the world.

Christ, the Prince of Peace, draws near to heal and restore.

We light this candle as a sign of peace in the promise of God's kingdom.

Be present with us, O God of Peace, and make us instruments of Your peace.

**Come, Lord Jesus, come.** (Light the first and second candles – Hope and Peace) Let us all sing together...

(ALL SING) Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel. Let us pray.

Loving God, thank You for the peace You give us through Jesus. Help us prepare our hearts to receive Him. Bless our worship. Guide us in all that we say and do. We ask it in the name of the One born in Bethlehem. Amen.

Time with the Younger Congregation (Children invited forward for a short message, then dismissed to children's church.)

## **Prayer for Illumination**

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and Your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen. Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 11:1-10 Cathy Lichvar

Epistle Lesson Romans 15:4-13

Choir Anthem A Communion Hymn for Christmas

\*Hymn 210 (UMH) All Earth Is Waiting

\*Gospel Lesson Matthew 3:1-12 Rev. Dr. Gómez

Sermon Be Present: Peace Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer: 895 (UMH)

Invitation to the Offering

\*Offertory In All Things Give Him Thanks

And in all things give Him thanks, and in all things let your gratitude shine through. And in all things give Him thanks. For He has given all things unto you.

Offertory Prayer Rev. Dr. Gómez

The Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving Page 13 (UMH)

\*Ministry Moments

\*Hymn 251 (UMH) Go, Tell It on the Mountain

\*Benediction Rev. Dr. Gómez

\*Choral Benediction Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Lord, dismiss us with Your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace.

Let us each, Your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.

O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

\*Postlude (Rejoice in the music of the Lord) David Landrum

CCLI # 11408803 UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red)

## **Announcements**

Who's Who in The Pew - Member Attendance, Prayer Requests & Visitor Info - Please fill out the card located in the pews and place it in the basket during the offering. Include your name and any prayer requests or concerns for our church leaders. If you are a visitor, Welcome, feel free to include your contact info and any requests.

**Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Victor** - Each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. join Pastor Victor for a time of coffee, chatting, and fellowship. It is a relaxed space to connect, share, and enjoy one another's company before worship. Everyone is welcome, come as you are!

Nametags - Please wear a nametag so others can learn our names.

**Educate & Equip** -We begin a new encounter study at 9:00 entitled <u>The Journey</u>, by Rev Adam Hamilton. This is a four-week study that "travels from Nazareth to Bethlehem and tells us the story of the birth of Jesus following the footsteps of Mary, Joseph, the shepherds and others." Books are available-no charge. Please contact Carolyn Carney or Ric Dunkle if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!

**UWF** Christmas Luncheon at Hayfield Family Restaurant at 11:00 am on Tuesday, December 9.

**Staff Appreciation** - Each year, the Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee collects funds during Advent to express our gratitude to our Staff for their faithful ministry. We will be collecting Staff Appreciation Gift contributions now through December 14. If you wish to contribute, please use the marked envelope "Staff Appreciation" that you will find at the ministry table.

Advent Devotional – Please enjoy the Advent devotional in the narthex from Society of St. Andrew. Advent is a season of waiting, wonder, and hope. This year, *Embrace Joy*, invites you to discover a joy that runs deeper than circumstance. Inspired by Mary's song of praise in the midst of uncertainty, it offers daily devotions from pastors and laypersons who share reflections of light, hope, and joy—even in challenging times.

**R&S – CCAP Christmas Food Drive -** New green shopping lists in the narthex, due Dec. 14. **R&S – BASTA (Be A Santa to a Senior)** by Home Instead. There are still gift tags hanging on the Christmas Tree in the narthex. If you would like to bless a local senior adult this Christmas, please take a tag from the tree, collect the listed items, place the unwrapped items in a large gift bag, and return it to the church no later than **Sunday, December 14,** and attach the gift tag to the gift bag. Thank you for your support!





Please know that ALL children are ALWAYS welcome to attend our entire church service in the sanctuary. We offer an optional short Children's Church program during Sunday worship as well as a *Time with the Younger Congregation* in the sanctuary with the pastor.