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WELCOME

November 30, 2025 - 9:00am

Welcome and Announcements - Nan Good

Time of Preparation for Worship

Lighting of the Advent Candle—Carmichael Family

Call to Worship - Psalm 139

Leader: O LORD, you have searched me and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

People: Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD. You hem me in-- behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

Leader: For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

People: My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

All: How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand. When I awake, I am still with you.

Song: How Great Thou Art

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Our lives are cluttered, Lord Jesus, by too many things and too much to do. We are driven by the need to succeed and distracted from our service. We have often lost our way. Forgive us. Let us, like Mary, find the one thing that is needed and sit at your feet. Amen

Passing of the Peace

Song: Great is thy Faithfulness

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18, Psalm 46:1-5, 10

Sermon: To Whom Should We Turn?

Blessings (Hal and Sheri)

Prayers of the People/Pastoral Prayer—Lydia Roberts

Offering and Doxology

Song: He's always been Faithful

Blessing

Update from Interim Pastor Search Committee

We know there is a lot of information flowing throughout the congregation at this time about our Interim Pastor search process.

The Interim Pastor Committee, along with the Personnel Committee, is looking at someone for Pulpit Supply and Pastoral Care on a short-term basis. There is one strong candidate in the interviewing process for a long-term interim position.

At this point there are a lot of loose ends that need to be tied up and we are hoping to have more information after our meetings throughout this week. We are hopeful to have a recommendation to take to the session meeting on December 2nd.

Pastors and Guest Preachers for the rest of the year:

November 30 - Connie Dougherty
December 7 - Cooper Holmgren
December 14 - Peter Park
December 21 - Peter Park
Christmas Eve Services - Tessa Stouffer
December 28 - Connie Garrison

Thank you to the Faith Commission for your help in organizing our Sunday services during this transitional time!

Adult Ed TODAY

Join us this Sunday for a humorous but powerful look at the frustrations, aggravations, and ins and outs of the Christmas season as we watch and discuss "A Charlie Brown Christmas" (1965) during Adult Ed time. Charlie Brown is at his "Charlie Browniest" trying to find the real meaning of Christmas despite his friends' (including Snoopy!) tendency to commercialism and selfishness. While seeking counsel for this state of affairs from Lucy ("Psychiatric Help, 5 cents") Charlie Brown discovers the true meaning of the season from friend Linus who pretty much knocks the Christmas socks off everyone with the reading of a simple but profound passage of Scripture. Linus contends early on that Charlie Brown is the only person he knows that can turn a "wonderful season like Christmas into a problem." How does that happen not only to Charlie Brown but possibly to all of us? How has Christmas become a problem and what to do about it? Bring coffee and treats and join us for discussion following the showing of this classic, 25-minute feature.

SUNDAY, November 30

9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Adult Ed, Sunday School
6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group
6:30 p.m. Chunko's Small Group
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

MONDAY, December 1

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts
6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Group

TUESDAY, December 2

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY, December 3

11:00 a.m. Prayer Group
6:00 p.m. Choir
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

THURSDAY, December 4

7:30 a.m. Kiwanis Meeting
4:00 p.m. 3-5th Grade Youth Group

SATURDAY, December 6

7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

SUNDAY, December 7

9:00 a.m. Worship Service, Communion
10:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Adult Ed, Sunday School, Hot Chocolate Bar
6:30 p.m. High School Youth Group
6:30 p.m. Chunko's Small Group
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Although this thank you is very late, please know that I appreciated the party, cards and good wishes. Than you all for the cake and singing "Happy Birthday"

I love my church and all the people.

With love, Ginny Kettleson

Adult Sunday School: 2 Peter

This December, join us for a special Adult Sunday School series exploring the letter of 2 Peter. Written as a reminder to stand firm in faith, 2 Peter speaks with urgency about living faithfully in uncertain times. Together, we'll reflect on themes of spiritual growth, perseverance, and hope in Christ's return.

Each week, we'll walk through the chapters, uncovering practical lessons for today's discipleship. Whether you're new to Bible study or a seasoned reader, this class offers encouragement and insight for all.

Come ready to learn, share, and be strengthened by God's Word. Classes meet on Sunday mornings throughout December. Let's grow together in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ!

The Deacons are hosting their Annual HOT CHOCOLATE BAR on Sunday, December 7th during Fellowship Hour! Please come and enjoy!