

December 6, 2015



Mission Statement:
Tipton First United Methodist Church

“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 am Service

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Paul E. Frederiksen - Pastor

Karis Horstmann - Administrative Ministries Coordinator

Alice Ann Gallagher - Chancel Choir Director

Sylvia Gould - Accompanist

Dee Wallace - Choir Kids Accompanist

Greg Brown - Director of Xn Chaos

Don Griffith - Custodian

Denise Cartwright - Choir Kids Director

Jamie Bahr - Xn Chaos Keyboard

Sam Semotan-Dir. Little Friends

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Advent #2

10:30 A.M.

Welcome visitors – *Whether you're related to a 'regular,' or if you're here by a mysterious, guiding hand, we're glad you're here. If you've not been here before, relax. We aren't going to ask you to stand up and introduce yourself or anything like that. If you're new to First, we do have print materials on the table at the back of the main level of the worship center... help yourself or just ask someone!*

If children are with you, that's wonderful. Jesus loves children and so do we. You might sit near the front so the children can see and hear everything. There are children's activity bags on the coat tree at the back of the sanctuary; and children's bulletins are on the table. We do offer a staffed nursery for pre-school children during worship if you'd prefer to use it for part or all of the service. The easiest way to get there is go have an usher provide an escort.

*Ask an usher about using a **hearing assist device**; or for a **large print Hymnal**.*

In each program is a half-sheet insert. Please fill it out and use it for an "offering" at that time of the service! Beverage and light refreshments are offered in the dining room in the lower level of the building at the conclusion of worship. Everyone is welcome!!

PRELUDE

Lighting of the Candles

"O Come All Ye Faithful"

Ringling of the Bell

Dusty Johnson

CONSIDER

HYMN Carols! (One verse of many of the carols used for "caroling"! ¹)
217; 218; 220; 230; 234; 238; 240; 245; 246

* PRAYER OF WORSHIP

Pastor

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES Travis, Camille, Kingston, Madison Person

[After the second candle is lit:]

Reader: Watch! The Kingdom is in our midst.

ALL: COME, LORD JESUS. AMEN.

* SING

"Star-Child"

(vss. 3 & 4) No. 2095

A Time for YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Paul

(Pocket change collected in the copper kettles each week is given to missions.)

ACT OF PRAISE

"Advent Gift"

Chancel Choir

* A STORY OF JESUS

Luke 3:1-6

Reader: This is the Word of our Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God!!

MESSAGE

“Frantic... for a Reason”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Setting A

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

In the name of Christ, all persons are invited to participate in the meal! If you're not able to come forward, please ask a person near you to inform the servers; or a neighbor can bring bread and a cup to you. Please bring your offering with you when you come, and place it in the plate, located 'outside' the servers. As we begin to come forward, the Chancel Choir will be singing “Come Share the Lord.”

* PRAYER OF COMMITMENT (unison)

Holy God, through Jesus Christ, you restore us. We trust that you are working in our hearts and minds to renew us by the power of your Holy Spirit. Because of your great offering of Jesus to us, we offer to you our lives, living testimonies of faith. Bring forth a harvest of righteousness in our lives and our communities. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

* THE BLESSING & DISMISSAL

L: Watch! The Kingdom is in our midst.

P: Come, Lord Jesus. Amen!

* SONG

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

No. 384

ANNOUNCEMENTS: How We'll Each Put Hands & Feet To The Gospel This Week

Always use a microphone so everyone may be included. Thank you.

* POSTLUDE

Sylvia Gould

¹ 1st UMC is scheduled to have carolers downtown from 5:30 to 6:00 pm next Saturday evening. Song sheets with lyrics will be provided. All ages welcome! (Not a bad idea to bring a flashlight.)

December 6 Sunday Servants

Acolytes: Caden & Hannah Schmidt; Power Point: Brian Heil-Create & Run; Fellowship Coffee: Larry & Kathy Houstman, Glenda & Bob Holets; Ushers: Bob & Ginny Cummins, Renee & Murry Men-
te; Greeters: Heather Strefling & Karen Strefling.; Nursery: Deanna & Steven Licht; Communion
Steward: Judy Rouse

December 13 Sunday Servants

Liturgist: Lorna Muller; Acolytes: Davis Webb & Nicholas Eicher; Power Point: Trina Hill-Create &
Run; Fellowship Coffee: Ron & Lois Salmonson, Deb Eisele, Dawn Spickerman; Ushers: Ron & Lois
Salmonson, Ken & Lorna Muller; Greeters: Chris & Kiley Schultz Family; Nursery: Rhonda Waugh;
Children's Lesson: Dusty Johnson

PRAYERS

Hospitalized/Procedures:

Charles Linn @ Mercy-IC

Healing: Joanne Beers, Jessica Brown (dau. of Patti & Phil Seydel), Joe Cheshareck (G.Fleming's bro-in-law,) Stephanie Coppess, Darlene (Marjorie Stonerook's sister), Jerry Ferguson, Donna Gault, Jean Heil (Brian's mom), Arlene Hein, Dean Hoffman (Kent's dad), Linda Huff (M. Stonebraker's mom), Rex Idlewine, Chris Keller, Ron Martin, Larry Maxwell, Mark McKay (Ken's bro), Jeff McKinney, Grace Nichols (J.Comstock's mom), Warren Nielson (L&K Houstman's bro-in-law), Ray Penningroth (M. Stonerook's bro); Mindy Praught, Carol Ruedy (Michelle Smith's mom), Jim Shontz, Ray Steinberg, Heather Strefling, Gary Taylor, Jim Thiele (L. Salmonson's bro), Keith Wood, and others under care or treatment.

Prayers for those in Life Transitions:

Family & friends of Judy Keller, whose funeral was Thursday.

Couples/Families searching for the way forward.

Persons & families of incarceration;

Persons in employment limbo;

Families struggling with the impact of drug and alcohol abuse or other addiction.

Persons uprooted due to "natural" and/or "human" disaster; and those who are called to help.

Persons/people persecuted for religious convictions.

In Treatment: Gary Kline, Katie Ryan, Linda (Kay Miller's sis)

Hospice/Palliative Care: Elmer Flory, Mabel Lamp, Henry Wiskus

Armed Services: Thomas Brown (Seydel's son-in-law), Sean Hanes, Kyle Marchik, Corey Ormsby

Worship Not Given, Sunday School 56, General Fund \$1184.00, Upper Room \$1.00, Fellowship Coffee \$0.11, Apportionments \$5500.00, College Connections \$50.00, Shared Blessings \$0.76, UMC Tee Shirts \$37.50, Copper Kettle \$46.50, Thanksgiving Offering \$26.00, Grand Total \$6845.87

This Week

Sun. Dec. 6: 10:30am Worship, 3:30pm Junior Lego League

Mon. Dec. 7: 6:30pm Chaos Practice, 8:00pm Creative Worship

Tues. Dec 8: 4:00pm Communion @ Prairie Hills, 6:45 UMW Meeting

Wed. Dec 9: 1:00pm GIG, 1:30pm Bible Study, 6:00pm GIG, 6:30pm GIG, 7:00pm Choir Practice, 8:00pm Choir Christmas Party

Thurs. Dec 10: 9:30am Communion @ Cedar Manor, 10:00am GIG, 6:30pm Girl Scout Troop 5302

Sat. Dec 12: 11:00am Shared Blessings, 5:30pm Christmas Caroling (TBA)

Sun. Dec 13: 8:30am Choir Kids, 9:00am GIG, 9:00am Sunday School, 10:30am Worship, 2:30pm KFC, 6:00pm Dominoes