

“The Magnificat”

Welcome & Announcements

(Please pass the attendance registration pads. We ask all members, as well as our guests, to fill out the information.)

Gathering Music

Bell Choir

Processional on O Come All Ye Faithful

+ Call to Worship

Come, great spirit of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love; fill our hearts and minds today.

Come, miraculous laughter and help us to rejoice.

Come, wondrous songs of renewal and turn us toward the path of life.

Come, for we are ready to hear your words, sing your songs, and feel your presence.

+ Hymn

UMH 249, vs. 1-3

There's a Song in the Air

+ Unison Prayer

O God as this time each year, we remind ourselves that you have come and continue coming into our lives. You shatter reasoned expectations, give wonder and awe, and fulfill promises little understood. Watching and waiting, we pray and sing! Amen.

+ Passing the Peace

Children's Message

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

RaNae Clouse

Cindy Seabright

We wait. We wait – not because we do not know the story of Jesus, and not because you are not already and always here.

We wait because to wait is to expect something more. To wait is to expect that the story might enter our hearts and our world in new ways, to bring the change for which we long.

(Light two Advent candles)

As we light the candle of peace we remember the stories of times you have been our comfort, when you have heard our cries for justice, for certainty, for peace, and you have led us home; and we know we can trust that you are leading us forward, as we wait for peace to be born, anew, in us.

Special Music

Bell Choir

On a Still, Silent Night

Joys, Concerns & God Moments

Call to Prayer

UMH 210, vs. 1-2

All Earth is Waiting

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Hymn

My Life Flows On

TFWS 2212

Scripture Reading

Luke 1:39-56

Sermon

Rev. Dempewolf

*The Magnificat:
How can I keep from singing?*

Offertory

Special Music

Bell Choir

Christmas Collage

+ Offertory Response

UMH 219, vs. 1

What Child is This

+ Offertory Prayer

+ Hymn

TFWS 2098

The Virgin May Had a Baby Boy

+ Blessing

+ Postlude

Sunday School | Today, December 9 | Dress rehearsal will go from 10 am to 11:30 am.

Adult Sunday School | Today, December 9 at 11 am | Meet in Pastor Donna's office.

Cowboy Church | Tonight, December 9 at 6 pm | Cherry Grove UMC | Rescheduled from last Sunday.

Poinsettia Garden | We would like your help in creating a Poinsettia Garden during the month of December. You may bring it to the church or have it delivered. For any questions contact Norma Merkel at 346-2569.

Confirmation | Wednesday, December 12, 6:30 pm at Faith UMC | Attend Christmas Performance. Parents are invited to join.

Christmas Performance | Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 pm | Entertainment will be provided by the FUMC Hand Bell Choir, now in its 20th Year! A special presenter will also enlighten us with a Christmas story. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to come. Those who would like to sponsor a table, please sign up on the bulletin board. All are welcome! Questions may be directed at any Hand Bell Choir member.

Birthday Celebration | Saturday, December 15 at 1 pm, located in the Hillside Homes Dining Room | Arlene (Vreeman) Bestor is turning 90. Please join us for refreshments and visiting. No gifts, you being there is the gift.

Christmas Program | Sunday, December 16 | The Sunday School will be performing their Christmas Program at 9 am, followed by a Christmas reception. Please have your child at the church by 8:30 am.

Church Conference | Sunday, December 16 at 10:45 am | Approve Pastoral compensation and receive reports.

SEMCAC Senior Dining | Tuesday, December 18 at 10:30 am | SEMCAC's Christmas Dinner. There will be door prizes and entertainment. Sign up by Friday, December 14 at 346-2111 or 346-7795.

Blue Christmas | Friday, December 21 at 7 pm | Cherry Grove UMC | We welcome anyone in our communities who may be lonely, grieving, carrying burdens of sadness, pain or stress. Come and feel the compassionate love of God, who offers us hope and healing.

Sunday School | Monday, December 24 | The Sunday School kids will be singing during the 4 pm Christmas Eve service.

Christmas Eve Service | Monday, December 24 | There will be two Christmas Eve Services held at 4 pm and 7 pm.

Christmas Dinner | Tuesday, December 25 | Sign up to volunteer on the bulletin board. | Do you need a ride to the dinner? Would you like a meal delivered to you? Call the church office to have your name put on the list.

Online Giving | Did you know Faith UMC has online giving? Head to our website faithsv.net and click the MAKE A DONATION button at the top to check it out.

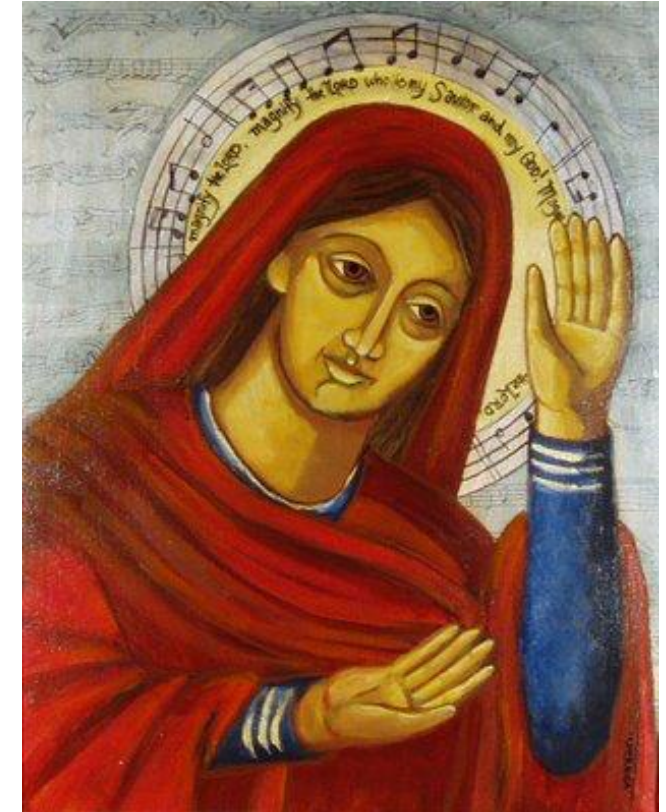
FAITH FAMILY FINANCIALS 12/2/2018:

Needed for budget	\$3,741.55
Offering	\$7,170.70
Attendance	55

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And Mary^o sang, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Luke 1:46-47