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The Silver Bucket for December 2024 is the Community and Christmas Eve Meals

These 2 meals have been such a success and a wonderful opportunity to share our love and a meal with our community. Please give generously to this month's Silver Bucket so that we can continue providing these meals to those who would like to come!



And, as always, all donations will go toward this cause



Please be sure to join us at our very special Hanging of the Greens Sunday Worship Service on **December 8, 2024!** This is an Annual Worship Service where we decorate our Sanctuary for the Christmas Season. After our very special service, please be sure to join us downstairs in our Fellowship Hall for our Annual Hanging of the Greens/Christmas potluck! Please bring a dish to share with everyone!



The Family Ministry Team (with the help of Shannon Dwire) is excited to share with you that they will be offering 2025 calendars. These calendars will be filled with pictures of the times we have together in our ALIVE and FUEL areas. It includes VBS, Thanksgiving Baskets, Hanging of the Greens, Inspiration Hills, the Chocolate Buffet and many more. We will be selling them in an effort to continue supporting the ministries we enjoy through the year.



Endowment apps are due today. If you have questions or need help contact a member of the committee



Remember about our yearly Thanksgiving finance letter. Those donations will not only go for the yearly apportionments, but other programs in our church as well.

Weekly Calendar

December 1, 2024 – Sunday

- 9:30am - Adult Sunday School
- 9:45am – Coffee time
- 10:30am – Livestream Worship Service
- 4:30pm – Genesis thru Revelation Bible Study

December 2, 2024 - Monday

- 6:30pm – Genesis thru Revelation Bible Study

December 3, 2024 - Tuesday

- 1:30pm - God Circle Brown Family Christmas
- 6:30pm - M&M Meeting

December 4, 2024 – Wednesday

- 9am-7pm - Open Prayer Chapel
- 6:15pm - FUEL and Confirmation
- 8pm – AA Meeting

December 5, 2024 - Thursday

- 8pm - NA Meeting

December 7, 2024 - Saturday

- 8pm – AA Meeting



Luverne United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship Service
First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2024



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Your Worship Assistants today are:

Accompanist: Anissa Vis
Lay Reader: Travis Dwire
Hosts: Jerry and Ann Rigney
Power Point: Jennifer Hilfers
Grocery Cards: Karis Dwire

Sound: David Vis
Worship Assistant: Emily Crabtree
Coffee: Lola Donth
Trustee: Roger Carlson - December 2-8, 2024

God's People Gather...

This time is to welcome each other, share announcements, joys and concerns and all other necessary information.

COMING TOGETHER/ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNITED WE SING "Come, Ye Thankful Come"

#694 UMH
VERSES 1, 2, and 4

OPENING PRAYER

UNITED WE SING "Here I am to Worship"

PRAISE TEAM SONG

DOXOLOGY

#95 UMH

Please note: We will pass the offering during our second song and bring it forward during the doxology. You may also use the online GIVE link on our website at umcluverne.com or use our mobile app at any time.

CALL TO WORSHIP, *responsively*

L: May the Lord be with you,

C: And also with you.

L: Children of God, pay attention! The days are coming when God's peace will reign, and all creation will flourish under the reign of our Creator!

C: The days are surely coming.

L: Children of God, prepare your hearts! The days are coming and are already here when God will come near and show us how to recognize God's reign among us.

C: The days are surely coming and are already here!

L: Children of God, be alert and listen! God has come near to build the kingdom on the earth here and now! Will you join in?

C: The days are surely coming and are already here! We come to prepare our hearts to pay attention, to listen, and to follow God's call to build the kingdom of the earth as it is in heaven. AMEN.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING, *responsively*,

L: From deep in the past, Jeremiah calls to us, "The days are surely coming, say the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah" (Jeremiah 33:14). Beloved, the days are surely coming when the yearning of the land; the longing of the sun, moon and stars; the desperate need of the people of earth for flourishing and peace will receive their fulfillment. ~ *continued on the next page*

C: While fear, anxiety, misinformation, and suspicion surround us on every side, we choose to watch and wait in hope, preparing our hearts to notice and cooperate with God's grace already at work in our midst.

L: We light this candle of hope as a sign of commitment to pay attention and prepare for the days that are surely coming and are already here—the days when God's kingdom of love, justice, and mercy will reign.

(We light the first candle of the Advent Wreath)

God's People Worship

This time is to hear God's voice

SCRIPTURE

Luke 21: 25-36
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OUR MESSAGE

Making a List, Checking it Twice

UNITED WE SING

"In the Bleak Midwinter"

#221 UMH
VERSES 1, 2, and 4

God's People Pray...

This time allows us to lift our thoughts to God

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

God's People Go to Live Out...

This is the time we are called to go and Share Jesus with the world.

UNITED WE SING

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

PRAISE TEAM SONG

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Scan this QR code with your phone for easy online giving! Just follow the link info about it!



LUMC Scan to Give!

Prayer Chain for December 1, 2024

LaVonne Anderson
Linda Hanson
Jason and Karla Kruse Family
Brian and Courtney Richters
Mike and Cristine Reverts
And answers to prayers and guidance
in all ways