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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!

Food & Fellowship

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





The Family Ministry Team is excited to share 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 **Ministry** Chocolate Buffet and many more. Get yours today! Also it's a great Christmas idea!



Don't forget.. at 6pm tonight, we will be having a youth Christmas Party. This party is for the kids in 6th grade and up. If you have any questions please be sure to speak to Pastor Dorie or our youth teachers.



We hope you will join us for our Annual Children's Christmas Program "Room at the Inn" at 7pm. The kids have been working hard to make it great. See you there!! And moms and dads: at 5:30pm a supper will be provided before the big event.



Be sure to attend our upcoming Christmas events...first be sure to head to the Palace Theater for the annual Christmas Meditation on the December 23rd from 4-7pm. And then be sure to come to the Christmas Eve Service at **5pm** here at the church and then head to the Fellowship Hall for our Annual Christmas Eve Dinner being held at 6pm. Mark your calendars!

# Weekly Calendar

#### December 15, 2024 – Sunday

9:30am - Adult/FUEL Sunday School **9:45am** – Coffee time 10:30am - Livestream Worship Service 4pm - Christmas Program Practice 4:30pm – Genesis thru Revelation Bible Study 6pm - Youth Christmas Party December 16, 2024 - Monday **6pm** - Endowment Fund Meeting 6:30pm – Genesis thru Revelation Bible Study December 17, 2024 - Tuesday **10am** - Shut in visits 6pm - Trustee Meeting 6:30pm - Church Council Meeting

#### December 18, 2024 - Wednesday

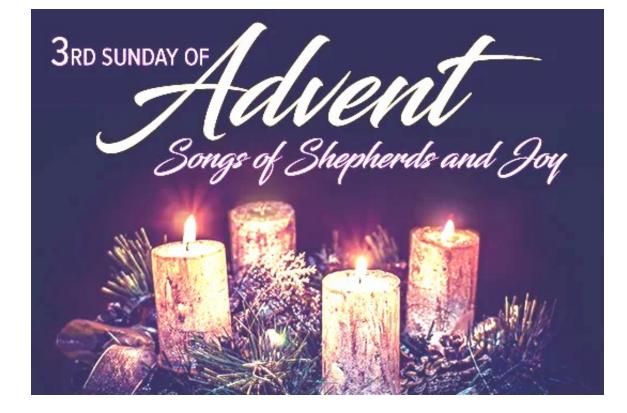
9am-7pm - Open Prayer Chapel 5:30pm - FUEL and Confirmation Supper 7pm - Annual Youth Christmas Program **8pm** – AA Meeting

December 19, 2024 - Thursday **8pm** - NA Meeting

December 21, 2024 - Saturday **8pm** – AA Meeting



Luverne United Methodist Church Sunday Worship Service 3rd Sunday of Advent December 15, 2024



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#### Your Worship Assistants today are:

Accompanist: Anissa Vis Lay Reader: Christine VonHoltum Hosts: Cathy Rust and Sue Stroh Power Point: Reegan Gabrielson Grocery Cards: Brenda Stickling Sound: Jason Kruse Worship Assistant: Lola Donth Coffee: Wyatte Kruse Trustee: Laura Holleran - December 16-22, 2024

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

UNITED WE SING	"Sing We Now of Christmas"	#237 UMH VERSES 1 AND 2
UNITED WE SING	'Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"	#240 UMH VERSES 1 AND 2
UNITED WE SING	"The First Noel"	#245 UMH VERSES 1 AND 2
<b>OPENING PRAYER</b>		
UNITED WE SING	"More Precious Than Silver"	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, our world is full of the fruit of humanity's greed, apathy, and neglect for the love of God, neighbor, self and all creation.

#### C: What, then, should we do?

L: Our world is also full of the fruit of God's love that wells up all around us, sustaining us, saving us, reviving us to live as the people of God.

## C: What, then, should we do?

- L: God encircles us on every side, love divine present with us in creation, in community, and in the anticipated arrival of the infant Emmanuel. What then, children of God, should you do?
- C: We will live in joyful presence with God and neighbor, turning away from sin and toward a life with God and one another marked by joy, justice, and mercy. Amen.

## ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING, responsively,

No matter what troubles overwhelm us today, Isaiah reminds us that in all of our preparation and passionate pursuit of God's coming kingdom, we must not forget that God's salvation has come and is coming. *"With joy you will draw water from the wells of Salvation"* (Isaiah 12:3). With joy you will remember that God's salvation is already present among us.

Faced with the troubles and the suffering of the world, we choose to live in joyful presence to God and one another. We will not turn away from the pain and the hurt in our world, and we will not stop rejoicing in God, whose salvation fills us to overflowing that God's love might flow through us and flood our troubled world with hope, peace, and joy.

We light this candle of joy as a sign of our commitment to be present to ourselves, our friends, our families, and our neighbors that in sharing our vulnerable lives we might share in the glorious joy of God's salvation together.

(We light the third candle of the Advent Wreath)

	This time is to hear God's voice		
SCRIPTURE		Luke 7:7-18	
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OUR MESSAGE		Can You Feel It?	
UNITED WE SING	"There's a Song in the Air"	#249 UMH	
	-	VERSES 1 AND 2	
	This time allows us to lift our thoughts to God		
PASTORAL PRAYER			
THE LORD'S PRAYER			
This is the time we are called to go and Share Jesus with the world.			
UNITED WE SING	"Lord of the Dance"	#261 UMH	
		VERSE 1	

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE



# Prayer Chain for December 15, 2024

Dan and Becky Anderson Jesse and Ashley Connell Family Daniel and Joci Fick Jennifer Kruse Family David and Amanda McDonald Ian and Kristen Ruppert Family And for hearts that are searching