



Web & Technology UPDATE - We are excited to announce our return to RADIO! Starting **January 6, 2025**, KDWC Christianson Broadcasting in Pipestone will be broadcasting on **99.3 FM** our morning worship services at **10:30am each Sunday**. The cost to sponsor a broadcast will be \$65 per service. **Please consider sponsoring our broadcasts! Contact the office. Thank you!**

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



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 Chocolate Buffet and many more. Get yours today! Also it's a great Christmas idea!



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!



We are requesting that if you are planning to attend the Christmas Dinner that you please sign up with your name and number attending. It helps with meal prep. Also you can sign up to help with meal and/or bring a dish to share. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the Narthex. You can also call the office and let Jakki know!



We have another 5th Tuesday Event on December 31, 2024...you know what that means... a New Year's Party!! It will be at the church and will start at 4:30pm. It is going to be a ton of fun! You will be home for the ball drop...Please join us for the celebration!!

Weekly Calendar

December 22, 2024 – Sunday

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

December 23, 2024 - Monday

- 4-7pm - Annual Christmas Meditation at the Palace Theatre
- 6:30pm – Genesis thru Revelation Bible Study

December 24, 2024 - Tuesday

- 5pm - Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- 6pm - Annual Christmas Eve Dinner

December 25, 2024 – Wednesday

- OFFICE CLOSED
- 8pm – AA Meeting
- Pastor Dorie Vacation Starts
- December 25, 2024 - January 7, 2025

December 26, 2024 - Thursday

- 8pm - NA Meeting

December 28, 2024 - Saturday

- 8pm – AA Meeting



Luverne United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship Service
4th Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2024



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Your Worship Assistants today are:

Accompanist: Anissa Vis
Lay Reader: Becky Anderson
Hosts: Darrel and Eleanor Siebert
Power Point: Jennifer Hilfers
Grocery Cards: Christine VonHoltum

Sound: Riley Anderson
Worship Assistant: Lola Doth
Coffee: Felicia Hanson
Trustee: Morris Fick - December 23-29, 2024

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

UNITED WE SING *"Light of The Stable"*

PRAISE TEAM SONG

OPENING PRAYER

UNITED WE SING *"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"*

**#229 UMH
VERSES 1-2**

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, The arrival of the Promised One is almost here!

C: We wait as people of God's promise.

L: The message of the prophets and the expectation residing in Mary's womb call to us today.

C: We listen as people of God's promise.

L: Mary's "yes" and Elizabeth's faithfulness guide our path, showing us that we too have a role to play in bearing God's good news into the world.

C: We follow as people of God's promise.

L: This is the promise Mary, Elizabeth, and the prophets bore that we continue to carry even today
God is with us.

C: God is with us! We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING, *responsively*,

When the people were looking for deliverance, the prophet Micah declared, "*But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah...from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule Israel, who's origin is from old, from ancient day.*" (Micah 5:2) But what if Micah is also talking to us, proclaiming, "*But you, O Luverne United Methodist Church, from you shall come forth for me...*" What? What might God be calling forth from us?

God invites us to receive the promise of God's salvation and the sustenance of God's mercy and grace, enabling us to live the promise as God-bearers to the world. As Christ was born in Bethlehem, so too we answer God's invitation to have Christ born among us today and everyday.

We light this candle of love as a sign of our commitment to live as people of God's promise, a promise of salvation and flourishing for all people that springs forth from God's love for all creation.

(We light the fourth candle of the Advent Wreath)

This time is to hear God's voice

SCRIPTURE

**Micah 5:2-5a
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OUR MESSAGE

Is it a Real Promise?

SPECIAL MUSIC

ANISSA, REEGAN AND FELICIA

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 *"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"*

**#213 UMH
VERSES 1 AND 3**

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 22, 2024

Josh and Ashley Christenson Family
Russ and Colleen Enga
Jim Hanson
Ginny Menning
Riley and Journey Anderson
And for the finances of our church
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