

Events for the week of December 22 - December 29th, 2024

Sunday, December 22nd—Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 am Worship

Monday, December 23rd

1:00 pm NO Quilting

Tuesday, December 24th

5:00 pm Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Wednesday, December 25th

Office Closed—Merry Christmas

Thursday, December 26th

9:00 am Bulletin Deadline

Friday, December 27th

Saturday, December 28th

Sunday, December 29th— First Sunday after Christmas

10:00 am Worship w/ Meal

10:15 am No Sunday School

POINSETTIA order forms are on the table in the Welcome Center.. This is the last day to order poinsettia's

A NEW BIBLE STUDY is beginning in January on Wednesday evening.

Worship services at Grace are livestreamed on Facebook and on the Website: graceumcmoorhead.org

Offering may be mailed to Grace UMC, 1120 17th Street South, Moorhead, MN 56560

Offerings Online giving available through Givelify! Go to graceumcmoorhead.org/give and click the button to make your one time or recurring gift.

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The Church of the Neighborhood Making
Followers of Jesus Christ to Transform the World

December 22, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: Children of God, the arrival of the Promised One is almost here!

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

One: The message of the prophets and the expectation of a weary world call to us today.

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

One: Mary 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.

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

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

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

WELCOME AND GREETINGS:

DEDICATION OF SANCTUARY BIBLES:

in Memory of Paul Kemper

SONG: # 2100 (Black Hymnal)

Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE:

CONGREGATION RESPONSE:

Many: 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 every day.

PRAYERS:

OFFERING:

DOXOLOGY:

CHILDREN'S MOMENT:

SONG: #240 (Blue Hymnal)

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

SCRIPTURE: Micah 5:2-5a, (OT, pg 667)

Luke 1:39-55 (NT, pg 43, NRSV)

MESSAGE: "Promise"

Pastor Taylor Johnson

OPPORTUNITIES:

SONG: #211 (Blue Hymnal) vs. 1,4,6 & 7

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE:



DONUTS

Homemade Buttermilk Donuts will be made January 8th for \$10.00 a dozen. Please place your orders using the sign up sheet on the table in the Welcome Center, calling the office, 218-233-1857, or using the website:



ENVELOPES

Please sign up on the sheet on the table in the Welcome Center if you would like offering envelopes.

YEAR END GIFTS



Please remember that all year end gifts for 2024 must be in the office or postmarked by December 31st in order to be counted for this year. If making donations for 2024 and 2025, please make two checks.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR



The reverse advent calendar which can be found on the table in the Welcome Center lists non-perishable food items to be donated to a shelter. On Christmas Eve please bring your box of food items to the Christmas Eve Service and it will be taken to an area shelter.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ministers: All the People

Pastor: Taylor Johnson

Keyboardist: Sharon Fangsrud

Reader: John Roberts