

~ Welcome ~

December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

10:30am

WE GATHER

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
*Greeting

WE PRAISE

*Opening Hymn “Heralds of Christ” UMH No. 567
If you wish, on the first Sunday of every month, anyone who has a birthday or anniversary during the month, can place a donation during the hymn to the “little church” to help fund the Flower and Landscaping Fund

*Call to Worship
Leader: If life was a home, then we would pray-
People: May love be the foundation. May God be the cornerstone. May the Spirit be the windows - ushering light in. And May hope be the walls - holding us together.
Leader: In this hour of Worship, let us work toward building a home together.
People: We may not know the path ahead, but God is here, even now.
Leader: Let us give thanks for a foundation of love.
People: Let us worship Holy God.

*Morning Prayer
As we reflect on the foundation of our faith in our lives, the home we long for is a home that knows peace - peace that rests between us and our grief, peace around our anxiety, peace between us and our self-criticism, peace in our relationships, peace hovering in and through our world. Lord, grant us a home that knows peace. Amen.

Lighting of Advent Wreath Peace Lahoski Family
A Candle is burning, a candle of peace,
a candle to signal that conflict must cease.
For Jesus is coming to show us the way;
A message of peace humbly laid in the hay.

Song of Praise “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Piano Solo by: Millie Frambaugh
WE CELEBRATE COMMUNITY

Children’s Time “A Visit from an Angel” Pastor Jane
At the conclusion of Children’s Time all children age 4 through 5th grades are invited to go with the teachers for Sunday School. Nursery care for younger children is also available.

Prayers of the People
Sharing our Joys & Concerns
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.
*Gloria Patri
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be:
World without end! Amen, Amen!*

Offering
WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Scripture Reading Charlie Tramel
Malachi 3:1-4 p. 882
Luke 1:57-80 p. 944
Philippians 1:3-11 p. 1084

Message “Laying the Foundation” Pastor Jane Piehl

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Moment of Reflection
Sharing in the Lord’s Supper UMH No. 12

WE GO FORTH
*Closing Hymn “Angels from the Realms of Glory” UMH No. 220
*Benediction

*Postlude "Christmas Lullaby (I Will Lead You Home)"
By: Amy Grant, Chris Eaton
*Indicates congregation to stand

Pastor Jane Piehl	Pastor
Millie Frambaugh	Music Director
Charlie Tramel	Lay Speaker

This Week

Tues	7p	Study <i>Home For Christmas</i>
Weds	10a	Study <i>The Heart That Grew 3 Sizes</i>
Fri	11a-4:30p	Cookie Drop off
Sat	8:30a	Serve at Food Bank
	9a-1p	Cookie & Craft Sale
Sun	3p	Blue Christmas Service
		Poinsettia order deadline

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An Advent Study, *Home For Christmas*, will begin Nov. 30 at 7pm in the Conference Room. A second Advent Study, *The Heart that Grew 3 Times* will be held Wednesdays at 10am beginning Dec. 1 in the Conference Room.

Join us in serving meals at the Akron Food bank on Dec. 11 from 8:30a-11a. A volunteer application will need filled out in advance. The link was sent out in this week's email or contact Pastor Jane or the office for the link.

The annual Cookie and Craft Sale will be on Dec. 11 from 9a-1p. Donation sheet is out. Cookies are \$10.00/ lb.

Dec. 19 at 3pm we will go Christmas Caroling! Bring a Friend!

The Blue Christmas Service will be Dec. 12 at 3pm
Christmas Eve Service will be Dec. 24 at 7pm

Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! Please make sure to sign the attendance pad as it is passed during the service and let us know your contact information. We welcome all to our Worship Service and our Communion Table is open to everyone. Please join us in our activities and gatherings and if you have a question, just ask, and come back again soon!

At Sharon Center UMC we are committed to building relationships with Jesus Christ. For families of all ages, this is a great community to join as you grow in your relationship with God and with others.

Cover Text: Psalm 85:11
Scripture quotation is taken from the Common Lectionary for the Second Sunday of Advent, December 6, 2020: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13;
2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8
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SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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TRUTH SPRINGS UP FROM THE GROUND;
RIGHTEOUSNESS GAZES DOWN FROM HEAVEN.

– PSALM 85:11

