

~ Welcome ~

December 26, 2021 10:30am
First Sunday after Christmas – Service of Carols and Scriptures

Prelude *Some Children See Him*
By: Wihla Hutson and Alfred Burt

Welcome & Announcements
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*Opening Hymn *People, Look East* vs.1,3 No. 202

The Bidding Prayer
The 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

Blessing
*Carol *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* vs. 1-4 No. 211

FIRST LESSON Genesis 3:8 –15, 17–19
God announces in the Garden of Eden: Adam and Eve's punishment for their rebellion and that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.
Carol *Come, Thou Long–Expected Jesus* vs. 1, 2 No. 196

SECOND LESSON Genesis 22:15 –18
God promises to Abraham that by his descendants all the nations of the earth shall obtain blessing.
Carol *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* vs. 1 No. 204

THIRD LESSON Isaiah 9:2, 6–7
The prophet announces the birth of a king to a people in darkness.
Carol *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming* vs. 1, 2 No. 216

FOURTH LESSON Isaiah 11:1–4a, 6–9
The king is coming and will usher in a reign of justice for the poor and peace for all of God's creation.

Carol *O Little Town of Bethlehem* vs. 1-4 No. 230

FIFTH LESSON Luke 1:26 –35, 38
The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she will give birth to God's promised Son whose kingdom shall never end.
Special Music *Mary Did You Know?* By: Mark Lowry Solo by: Millie Frambaugh

SIXTH LESSON Luke 2:1 –7
Against a backdrop of emperors and taxes, Jesus is born.
Carol *The First Noel* vs. 1, 2 No. 245

SEVENTH LESSON Luke 2:8 –16
The shepherds go to see the Savior of the world, lying in a manger.
Carol *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* vs. 1, 2 No. 229

EIGHTH LESSON Matthew 2:1 –11
The wise men follow a star to find the child Jesus, the King of the Jews.
Carol *In The Bleak Midwinter* vs 1, 4 No. 221

NINTH LESSON John 1:1 –14
John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.
Special Music *All Is Well* By: Michael W. Smith and Wayne Kirkpatrick
Solo by: Millie Frambaugh

Offering

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Benediction

Postlude *God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*
Traditional English Carol

*Indicates congregation to stand

Please take your poinsettia home today.

Pastor Jane Piehl
Millie Frambaugh

Pastor
Music Director

Thank you carolers for your unexpected visit. It was certainly a surprise but one I enjoyed and appreciated. I'm also enjoying the plate of assorted goodies!
~ Marge Raw

Upcoming Events		
Tues 1/4	7p	Is Genesis History? Study begins
Sat 1/22	3p-6p	Mravetz Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
Sun 2/6		Valentine Care Package donation deadline
Sun 2/13		Scout Sunday
		Sub Sandwich Fundraiser Sale

- ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- On January 4 at 7pm we will begin the Study, "Is Genesis History?" A seven-week study with a movie shown in the sanctuary. The study covers the six key doctrines introduced in the first chapters of Genesis. These doctrines are related to the gospel and are important to understanding the nature of our salvation. The study and will be led by Charlie Tramel. All are welcome to attend the movie and the study.
 - Mark your calendars for the Mravetz Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Jan. 22 from 3p-6p. We could use some helpers and dessert donations. Sign up is at the back of sanctuary. We welcome all to enjoy a spaghetti meal that day! Cost is \$15 each. Dine in and carry out available.
 - Feb. 13 we will have our annual Sub Sandwich Sale Fundraiser. Order forms and further info will be out soon.
 - We will begin collecting items for Valentine Care Packages for college students and active duty military. Items can be placed at back of sanctuary. Please let the office know of names and addresses. Deadline for donations and names/ addresses will be Feb. 6

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.

SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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ARISE! SHINE!
YOUR LIGHT HAS COME;
THE LORD'S GLORY
HAS SHONE UPON YOU.

- ISAIAH 60:1