

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

*Weatherford, OK*

*Second Sunday in Advent*

**December 9, 2018 -- 8:30AM & 10:30AM**

*Liturgists: Joyce Teghtmeyer (8:30AM); John Kokalis (10:30AM)*

**\* Please Stand As You Are Able. ♦ 10:30AM Service Only**

Words of Welcome  
Meet & Greet

♦ Gathering Song "Wait for the Lord" #3049

Opening Prayer & Announcements & Friendship Books

Chimes

Prelude "Now Is Born the Divine Christ Child" arr. Kevin McChesney  
JuBellation Choir, Maxine Page, Director

\* Bringing in the Light Acolytes

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH See Insert

Lighting of Purple Candle #2 . . . The Candle of  
"The Promised Light"  
Joyce Teghtmeyer & B.J. Brown (8:30AM)  
Jana & Keagan Smith (10:30AM)

\* Call to Worship:

Leader: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice before the God of all peoples,

**People: For God comes in power to judge the earth.**

Leader: Let us open our hearts in worship and trust, and offer our lives in willing service,

**All: For God shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with truth.**

Hymn of Praise "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #196  
(children to come forward on the closing verse)

Children's Moment

♦ Hymn of Preparation "In the Bleak Midwinter" #221 (Vs. 1-3)  
(children return to seats)

\* The Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 40: 1-11

Leader: And this is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\* Gloria Patri #70

♦ Chancel Choir Anthem "The World Awaits Your Coming" by Pepper Choplin

The Homily "Comfort My People" Rev. Margo Vestal

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Offering of Our Gifts  
Offertory (8:30) "Echo Noel" by Louis Claude D'Aquin  
(10:30) "On Christmas Night" Traditional English  
Children's Ensemble

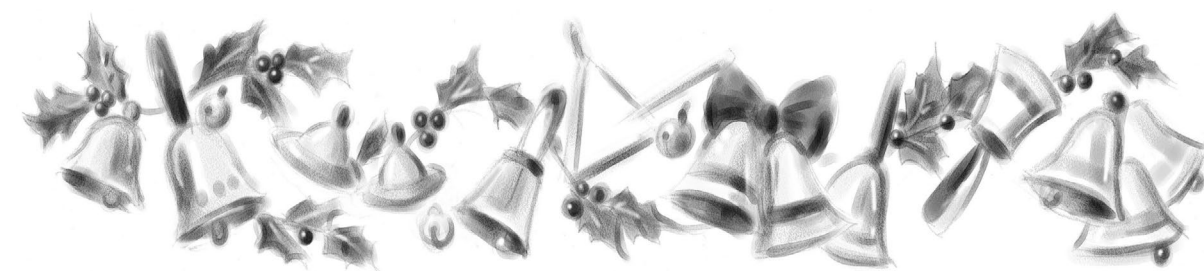
\* Doxology #94

\* Hymn of Discipleship "Angels from the Realms of Glory" #220 (Vs. 1,2,4)

\* Benediction

♦ \* Parting Song & Recessional "A Star Shone Bright" #3051

Postlude "O Come, Little Children" arr. Dale Wood



Coming Events

Today, December 9:

4:00pm Advent Study

5:30pm: Caroling

Wednesday, December 12:

1:30pm Dorcas Circle

4:30pm Handbells

5:30pm Children's WW

6:00pm WOW

6:00pm Youth/Progressive Dinner

6:45pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 13:

7:00pm Frances Good Circle

Saturday, December 15:

Dec. 15 9am-12pm Caring and Sharing

*The Apportionment Tree is up, please prayerfully take a card for your additional Pledge for 2019.*

Up Coming Events

- December 15 @ 9am-11am Caring and Sharing
- Dec. 16 @ 10:30am "Christmas Presence" (1 Service only)
- Dec. 16 @ 6:30pm: "Carriers of the Light" Children/Bells Program

† OUR PRAYER LIST TODAY †

All those living with cancer—Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Craig Dobrinski, Ronnie Schulz, Danny, Rev. Larry Masoner, Jimmy Cole, John Fleming, Lambert Dunn (father of Jamie Sisson), Bobby Cornelson, Kristi Lamle, 34 y/o son of Terry Turner, Michael Chase (Lisa Clay's bro.), Troy Lee, Roy Ford, Gloria Loken, Janice Dupree, Rev. Ken Tobler, Donna Bradford, Charles Dillard; Dr. John Huser Sr.; Cindy Dougherty; Ronnie Chadwick.

Joys & Concerns— Family of Everett Swearengin; James, Jason, Armando; Those affected by California Fires; Stony Lockstone; Rev. Norton Scrimshire; Carl Stephenson; Hannah Strickler and Family; Our Pastor; State & Nation Leaders All suffering from Cancer & other illnesses; Cherie Payne (Brookdale); Amber Trogdon; Austin Trogdon; Marilyn Ramey (mother of Royce); Jimi Drue Blagowski (Deployment).