



***Burns Memorial
United Methodist Church
Third Sunday of Advent***

December 15th, 2019

*Liturgist: Molly Mathiesen, Omayra Sanchez
Molly Cuevas, Alfonso Cuevas Mathiesen*

Welcoming the Holy Spirit *acolytes*

Prelude *Daniel Nebel*

Greeting & Announcement

* Hymn **Good Christian Friends, Rejoice** *Hymnal #224*

* **Call To Worship**

One: Sometimes on our journey, our feet get heavy, our shoulders feel burdened, and our hearts seem to slow.

All: Sometimes in the preparation, the busyness overwhelms us.

One: Sometimes we get lost in the doing and the planning and the running.

All: Sometimes we are lost in our sense of why; why do we do all of this; why is this journey necessary?

One: The answer is simple: the Messiah; Jesus born to us.

All: We turn from our to-do lists and pause to realize the incredible birth to all humanity; we rejoice and realize how important it is to share and connect with others.

One: Matthew tells us that when John asked if Jesus was the one to come, Jesus responded by saying ‘Look around you.’

All: Our call in this Advent journey is to look around us to see the one who comes already at work among us and to celebrate that presence with joy.

Pastor: We rejoice as we light the first, second and now third candle of the Advent Wreath.

(Light two purple candles and the pink candle on the wreath.)

Pastor: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, that we may celebrate and rejoice; ‘The Child is Born Among Us!’

All: Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

Children’s Moment *(Pass pew pads)* *Pastor Peter Freytag*

Offering (During Children’s Moment)

Offertory *Daniel Nebel*

* Doxology **Praise God from whom . . .** *Hymnal #95*

* Prayer of Dedication

Christmas Cantata **“Christmas Dreams”** *Chancel Choir*

By Joseph Martin/ Heather Sorenson

“Christmas Dreams”: (Overture)

“Advent Dreams”

“The Promise And The Prayer”

“A New Morning Of Promise”

“Zechariah’s Song”

“Mary’s Dream” Solo By Molly Mathiesen

“All Through The Night”

“Hark! The Herald Angels Sing”

“The Magi’s Epiphany” Solo By Doug King

“Christmas Dreams”

“A Gentle Christmas Blessing”

* Benediction

* Congregational Benediction

On Eagle’s wings (join hands)

* (Please stand if you are able)

Hymnal #143

Burns Choir

Don Boylls Director

Don Nebel Accompanist

Debbie Burns Narrator

Wednesday, December 418: 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice
Thursday, December 19: 7:00 p.m. – Bible Study
Saturday, December 21: 6:30 a.m. –Brothers In Christ
10:00 a.m. – UMW in Parlor

Sunday, December 22:

9:45 a.m. - Bible Study
11:00 a.m. – English Worship Service
3:00 p.m. – Tongan Worship Service

Prayers in our midst:

Thanks to all pledges that have come in for our church
Art Page who is home after surgery to remove his Gall Bladder.
Wayne Short recovering at home, no phone calls please
Shirley and Ralph Grondahl, Shirley on oxygen and Ralph not so well
Sandy Tinney's sister, Twila Courtney had surgery on Monday

After Christmas Eve Service:

After Christmas Eve service sandwiches and cookies will be offered.
For planning purposes, it would be very helpful to let Ellen Smith
Dockter or Debbie Gunther know if you plan to bring something to
share with all. Thank you!

United Methodist Women in need of help:

The United Methodist Women are asking the Burns Family to please
help them with their gifts of Brief Style underwear for all clients, men,
boys, women and girls at the Aurora Interfaith Community Services.
Please see Sandy Tinney if you have any questions. Thank you!

Youth Bake Auction:

It's that time again for the annual Youth Bake Auction! This year's
auction will be conducted on December 22nd just in time for
Christmas. There will be a silent auction as well as a live one. If you
would like to donate items for it please give them to Stephanie on the
22nd. Thank you All for your support and we hope to see you there!

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