

December 2022

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25 9:00 A.M. Worship Service Christmas Day	26	27	28 6:30 P.M. Choir Practice	29	30	31 New Year's Eve



**The People of the
Congregation**

Ministers

Rev. Tim Albrecht
Pastor

Micah Sommersmith
Music Director

*Keith Irish
Lay Leader*

Bev Pezewski
*Church Secretary
Nursery Coordinator*



***Sunday Worship Service
December 4, 2022 9:00 A.M.
In person and Live Streaming
Sunday School for all ages will be held
from 10:15 A.M.—11:15 A.M.***

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WORSHIP SERVICE
Second Sunday in Advent
December 4, 2022 9:00 A.M.

Call to Worship

Prelude:

Welcome

Lighting of the Advent Candle: Hugh & Mary Davies

***Opening Hymn:** “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” UMH # 203
“Great is Thy Faithfulness” UMH # 140

Children’s Message: Children/Youth

Hymn: “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming” UMH # 216

Morning Prayer / The Lord’s Prayer

Offering Our Gifts to God

***Doxology:** “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #95

Sermon Series: Christmas Carols

Scripture: Lamentations 3:20-26

Sermon Hymn: ”O Holy Night” (vs. 1,2)

Sermon: “O Holy Night” Pastor Tim

Sacrament of Holy Communion

***Closing Hymn:** “O Holy Night” (vs 3)”

Benediction

Postlude:

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal TFWS – The Faith We Sing Song Book
Assisted Listening Devices Available—see an Usher

Lord, we come to you in prayer for joy, peace, comfort and healing

Jim Bayer—prayers as he is healing from surgery.

Neale Caflisch — prayers of joy for healing and strength as Neale is home and having therapy at home and Brylee is celebrating her 7th birthday.

Joy Wade—Prayers for Jim as he is going to be having surgery this upcoming Wednesday.

Carrie Walters Prayers for my step father Mark who lost his mom, she had a long life of 103 years

John & Cindy Siegel and Bob & Linda Fritz—We have a praise, we are welcoming a new great grand son Ullrich Michael.

Continued prayers for: Bob Fritz, Julie Beck, Gaylord and Ina Mae Remmel, Tom Divver, Liz Roberts, Jim Hart, Dick Wylie, Marilyn Nyberg, Kathy Bayer Jim & Ardis Lyons, Corky, Michael and Nola Sell, Lisa Armstrong, others in need of healing, encouragement, financial needs, continued prayers for all our members of our church family, and our many unspoken prayers. Prayers for our church, the leadership team and Pastor Tim during this time.

SUNDAY—SCHOOL CLASSES
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Sunday School Classes will be presenting a piece of the “Christmas Story with Scripture and Song” during the children’s message. This Sunday the 3rd—5th grade class will be doing the children’s message. The teachers are Kurt VanHandle and Rose VanHandle Hope you will enjoy the presentation.

A NOTE FROM THE WED MORNING NUTTY KNOTTERS QUILT GROUP

We would like to give a big shout out to those who went the extra mile with your donations this last year! It's the donations that keep us in business! Fabric old or new, flat and fitted sheets in good or not so good condition, yarn, batting, and your presence are the staples of our ministry. We love a goodie box or bag! Here's the list of donations that came from the quilters; 37 to the Christine Ann women's shelter, 163 to world relief, 8 to King Veterans Home, 10 to Sleep in Heavenly Peace, and 12 lap robes for the Christmas dinner at St Paul's, with a total of 222! We would also like to offer our services if you'd like a quilt tied. Have a question you can ask Terry Ball or Beth Hall, or stop in on Wed morning. We have coffee and treats at 10:00 and you are always welcome.

Thanking God for you,
The Nutty Knotters

2022 Christmas Eve Soup Supper

Dear Family and friends of Faith Church,

When you come to church on 12/24 you're going to follow your nose to the fellowship hall and enjoy a bowl of soup, after, not before, the 4:00 service! This is not a potluck, soup, bread and beverage are provided. There is no cost to you, but a donation is always appreciated. Another plus is that we send the leftovers home with you! There is one small request and that is to bring a plate of Christmas goodies to share for dessert. The soup committee is asking if you plan to attend, how many will there be. Your options for that are to snag me at church, give me a call at 722-3445, send me an email at tigvarten@aol.com or let Bev in the office know.

See you on Christmas Eve!
Thanking God for you,
Terry Ball

Welcome to Faith Church! We are glad you came to join us in our time of worship today. We pray that you will be blessed with strength enough to see you on your way, hope enough to get you through the day! With your bulletin today is a pen and welcome card and an offering envelope. Please complete the card and, after the worship service, place it in one of the baskets that are set out. The pen is yours to keep. If you have been using the envelopes and there are no changes, you can just write your full name on the inside cover of the envelope. If this is the first time with using the envelope be sure to complete the inside cover completely. The envelopes and cards are separated in the church office. When changes occur, by completing both the card and your envelope, the office and finance computer systems can be updated.

Toddler-Nursery and Infant Care Room Available

Faith Church has nursery care available for pre-school children. Also, an Infant Care Room is located off of the sanctuary in Room #2 (ask an usher for directions to the rooms). For safety reasons, all children staying in the nursery need to be dropped off and picked up by a parent or other adult. Thanks for your cooperation.

FAITHFUL SINGERS REHEARSALS

The Faithful Singers, Faith Church's adult choir rehearsals meet on at 6:30-7:30 pm Wednesdays in the choir room, Room 201. Membership is open to all adults and high school age youth. No prior choral experience or training is required or expected, only a love of singing and a willingness to offer your time and attention at rehearsals. If you have questions, please contact Micah by email msommersmith@faithchurchneenah.com or cell phone (765)993-7019

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Classes .

Nursery Class Room 106 Julie Caflisch Michelle Woodard
Preschool –Kindergarten Room 108 Joanne Ball Sherry Steele

First—2nd grade Room 104 Beverly Pezewski
3rd grade — 5th grade Room 208 Kurt VanHandel
6-12th grade. Room 207 Dan Duff

Adult Classes

Adult Class: 204 Hugh Davies & Gary Reiter

PRAYER SHAWLS

Beth Hall has been creating beautiful Prayer shawls as a gift of love and care to the recipient. The shawl is meant to symbolize the love and embrace of God. Each shawl has been lovingly made and prayed over, and those who receive the shawls continue to be held in prayer. At this time, she is in need of extra yarn. Do you have extra yarn that you are not using? To request a shawl for yourself or someone else (relatives or friends), please contact Beth Hall 920-289-1022 or the church office and arrangements can be made for you to pick up the shawl at the church. Would there be an interest in a group meeting on a day every week to assist in making these Prayer shawls. If you have an interest in being part of this group, please contact Beth Hall

SENIORS OF FAITH

Seniors of Faith are planning a Christmas gathering in our social area on December 9th at 4:30 P.M. Choices will be catering a meal. We will continue with the “white elephant exchange”. Call Ginny Shepard @ 920-264-7522 for reservation by December 1st. The cost is \$12.00 per person.

Community Christmas Dinner —- December 10, 2022

As a congregation we have supported this community dinner that is held at St. Paul’s Church for the past 14 years. A meal will be provided in St. Paul’s large dining room. 11 area churches participate in this outpouring of support. We have been asked to provide men’s and women’s hats/scarves this year. We will need 45 men items and 30 women items.

The Nutty Knotters (the quilting group at our church) will again provide lap blankets.

Other opportunities to assist are: Each church has been asked to provide homemade cookies and pies (fruit/pumpkin) number has not been established as of yet.

2-4 volunteers to work as wait staff

3 additional volunteers the day of the event.

Drivers for the meals being delivered to your church shut ins.

1 volunteer to help from 12:30 till about 2:00 putting everything away and cleaning up.

If you have any questions please ask Bev Pezewski or Joanne Ball.

PILLARS DONATION DRIVE DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Each year, nearly 2,000 people benefit from Pillars crisis shelter and supportive/affordable housing programs, including street outreach, crisis housing, case management and diversion from homelessness. Together, we are rebuilding lives and strengthening our community.

Our “Christmas giving trees are set up, with the “gift wish” list on them. Please help the Pillars by purchasing a gift from the ornaments that are on our Giving Trees.

We will need helpers to take over our gifts to the Pillars in Appleton. Financial gifts are also a way to support Pillars’ clients! If you would prefer you could support Pillars—financially. All financial donations given in the month of December will be matched by SECURA.

Christmas Carols

.... O Holy Night...

Lamentations 3:20-26

To Experience a new day of hope with Jesus

1. Remember God's _____

Lamentations 3:21-23

2. Trust God to _____

Lamentations 3:24

3. Depend on God for

Lamentation 3:25 Hebrews 10:23

4. Wait on God for _____

Lamentations 3:26 Romans 13:11-12