

Owatonna United Methodist Church
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Lighting of the Advent Candles & Scripture Readers: Steve & Karen Jensen

Weekly Prayer List

Marjorie Christensen;
Tommie Cruz, Tahlon;
Oryle Davis;
Brant Dirks;
Bruce & Janet Dirks;
Erica Dirks

Happy Birthday this week

Doris Harriman
Shaun Guthier
Rex Harriman
Sunny Jenkins
Olivia Steele
Russell Beck

If you have any pastoral care needs (in the hospital, illness, home care, etc.)
or know of someone who does, please inform the church office ~ 451-4734.
(The hospital does not call the church).

This Sunday's worship service may be seen on Charter channel 181 or
Jaguar channel 900 at these times: Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday at
10:00 a.m., & Sunday at 12:00 p.m. (noon).
Also available 24-7 on www.owatonnaalive.com

Welcome to all visitors. When you are signing your name and address on the registration
pad, **please** include your phone number ~ especially if you are new to our community.



Owatonna United Methodist Church

We are called to . . .
Gather in Christ's Name,
Grow in God's Love,
Serve All People.

The Order of Worship

2nd Sunday of Advent - December 4th, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.

Prelude *I Wonder as I Wander* arr. by Charles Callahan

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle *Hope* Screen

* Centering Hymn *Light the Advent Candle, verse 2* Black #2090

Call to Worship:

L: This is a time for resting in God's presence.

P: Spirit of wisdom and understanding, rest on us.

L: This is a time for being shaped as followers of Jesus.

P: Spirit of counsel and might, rest on us.

L: This is a time for releasing what holds us back.

P: Spirit of knowledge and awe, rest on us.

ALL: God, as we attend to you, fill us with hope

Unison Prayer:

Dear God, the world feels overwhelming at times. Pain, violence, and hatred are easy to see and cloud our vision. Restore our sight, O God, to witness the hope you have promised. Renew our hearts to trust you more fully. Inspire us anew this day. Amen.

Passing the Peace

* Hymn of Praise *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel, vs.1-4* Red #211

Prayer of Yearning:

Living God, we long to wake from sleep, for your kingdom has drawn near. Already, the ax is lying at the foot of the tree, and we yearn to return to you once more. May our spirits bear the fruit of repentance. We desire the blessings to be found when we respond to the prophets of old by dedicating our lives to you in word and deed. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Children's Time

Chancel Choir Anthem *Waiting, Wandering, Wondering* Ruth E. Schram

Psalter Psalm 72:1-17 (Response 1) Red #795

Gospel Reading Matthew 3:1-12

* Hymn of Response *Down By the Jordan* Screen

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 11:1-10

Message "Hope Made Possible" Pastor Lisa Vick

* Hymn *Soon and Very Soon* Red #706

Joys & Concerns

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.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Gifts

* Doxology *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* Red #95

Offering Prayer

* Communion Hymn *Bread of the World* Red #624

Communion Pg.9

* Closing Hymn *People, Look East* Red #202

Benediction

Postlude *From Heaven Above* Wilbur Held