

WORSHIP 10:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:00 AM

DECEMBER 4, 2022

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***A SONG OF PRAISE: Angels from the Realms of Glory** **UMH 22 0**

ADVENT REFLECTION & CANDLE LIGHTING **DALE & PAT MEADOWS**

SONG: O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL **UMH 211**
(verse 2 only)

A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH MARTHA GILL

CHORAL ANTHEM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
[you are invited to come to the altar to pray]

A TIME OF GIVING WITH SPECIAL MUSIC

***DOXOLOGY**

SONG: WHAT CHILD IS THIS **UMH 219**

SCRIPTURE: Luke 1:26-38 (NRSV)

²⁶In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, ²⁷to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you."²⁹ But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³²He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. ³³He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom

there will be no end." ³⁴Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"³⁵ The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born³⁶ will be holy; he will be called Son of God. ³⁶And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. ³⁷For nothing will be impossible with God." ³⁸Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

This Is the Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN: MARY

REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE

***SONG OF INVITATION: AWAY IN A MANGER** **UMH 217**

***THE BLESSING WITH THE BENEDICTION**

The Lord bless you and keep you
make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Discussion Questions from today's message:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. When did you receive a gift that you weren't even expecting? How did it make you feel? Did you think about what it might cost you to really enjoy that gift?
3. Read Luke 1:26-38. Following the pattern of Luke 1:5-24, the angel Gabriel shows up with a very important message. How does Luke describe Mary in these verses-excluding Gabriel's message? What do you learn about Mary?
4. How does Gabriel describe the person and work of Jesus to Mary? Think through the description of Jesus's identity, work, and personal task to accomplish. Why would knowing these things be important nearly two thousand years later?
5. When Gabriel speaks to Mary, he celebrates her value and God's character in calling her to give birth to Jesus. What does Luke want us to know without question about the circumstances of Mary before the birth of Christ?
6. How can we pray for you?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today: Meeting Night

5:00 pm Trustee Team, Staff Parish Team, Worship Team, Education Team

6:15pm Administrative Council

December 7: September Club will meet at Noon at the Marshall Cafe.

December 18: Christmas program

December 15: 6:00 pm Common Ground

December 21: 1:00 pm Blue Christmas Service

6:00 pm Christmas Caroling with WNK. Everyone is invited to participate.

December 24: Cross Roads will have one service at 4:00pm on Christmas Eve and there will be no service on Christmas Day.

Fundraiser: Fundraiser: The Hospitality Team is taking orders for pecans and poinsettias. Please turn your orders in soon. Last day to order poinsettias is December 11. Order forms are available in the Narthex.

Angel Tree: The return date for Angel Tree gifts is December 11. Please adhere to the gift limits: \$25.00 for clothing gift and \$25.00 for toy (or other gift).

Please write YOUR name and phone number as well as the CODE # and CHILD'S

name on the sign up sheet.

Please put the gifts in gift bags as they are easier to deliver.

Prayer Breakfast : Join Pastor Dustin on Thursdays at 8:30 am at Bob Evans in Kinetic Park. We will start with a devotion, pray over our prayer list, and enjoy fellowship together. You pay for your meal.

Eat, Study, Pray (ESP) Tuesdays at noon. Mary DeMoss leads our bible study. Bring your own lunch.

Cross Roads United Methodist Church

“Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.”



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*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

GATHERING MUSIC : MY SOUL MAGNIFIES THE LORD

EMMANUEL (HALLOWED MANGER GROUND)

CROSS ROADS UMC PRAISE TEAM