

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2017

Pianist Curtis Sander
Lector Lyndel Adams

Welcome and Announcements

Everyone – PLEASE SIGN ATTENDANCE BOOK IN PEW

Advent Wreath Reflection & Lighting the Candle of HOPE

Early – Alvin & Dee Ann Matheson Late – Robert & Marie Klee

***Call To Worship**

Give thanks to the Lord of hosts,
for the Lord is good.
His steadfast love endures forever.

***Opening Prayer**

Heavenly Father, today we begin our journey to the lowly stable where the Christ Child was born. Be with us in our journey, we pray, and help us to find the true meaning of this world- shaking event. May we learn to put our faith in a kingdom based on justice and righteousness, and commit ourselves anew to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Opening Hymn “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #234

Prayer for Blessings & Concerns

Prayer Hymn “What a Mighty God We Serve” v. 1 & 4 #2021

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer UMH #895

Pass the Peace: A Time of Greeting

Children’s Time [The children are invited to come forward at this time]

The Giving of our Gifts

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” Luke 6:38

***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology) #95**

***Offertory Prayer**

Lord, we are committed to your kingdom established on the cornerstone of love, and where righteousness and justice will prevail. Use these, our gifts, we pray, for the work of that kingdom. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

Special Music “Christians Come, Gather at the Table” Choir

Scripture Reading Psalm 147:11; Isaiah 41:9-10

Baptism Late Service

Holy Communion

Closing Prayer “Thy Word Is a Lamp” #601

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

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Celebrating Our Faithfulness!
Worship Service Total...88 Early...24 Late ...55
Sunday School Total:...13 Children...4 Youth...2 Adults... 7
WOW Total: ...47 Children... 28 Youth...11 Adults... 4 Kitchen... 4
MSUMYF Total:...13 Youth..11 Adults... 2 HSUMYF Total:... 3 Youth... 2 Adults... 1
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Communion Stewards Kristen Windscheffel, Jerrie Parsons, Marie Hogan
Bistro Host Joan Johnson
Music Minister Galen Schmidtberger
Organist, Pianist Curtis Sander
Sound System (8:30) Dale Weimaster
Sound System (10:30) Mike Blanke
Early Greeters (8:30) Mike Radke
Late Ushers (10:30) Duane Adams, Matthew Davis, Jean Parker

In the interest of recycling paper, if you are not keeping your bulletin to remind you of the week’s events, please leave it at the back of the Sanctuary for reuse at the 10:30 a.m. Service.

Larry Mitchell
 Lee Anne Emmons
 Dorothy Hopper
 Nancy Balloun
 Melissa Schremmer
 Valerie Cook
 Kayla Alexander
 Phyllis Bodine
 Robert Walters
 Jim Staab
 Emily Waller
 Tonya Morris
 Haley Chisholm
 Barbara Kaiser

Prayer Concerns
 Sabina Powers
 Betty Brenner
 Elena Carson
 Jan Bachar
 Nancy (Poche') Stoppel
 Kellie Donovan
 Colleen Walizer
 Donna Nungesser
 Chad Fuller
 Mark Nuss
 Leo Swords
 Ella Libal

Lea Reddig
 Kenny Pickens
 Carolyn Pickens
 Mary Keeler
 Evan Herbel
 Scott Schultz
 Kay Shank
 Russ Reynolds
 Kay Morris
 Kevin Mravinec
 Larry Bernard
 Dave Johnson
 Cheryl Davis

Calendar this week:

Today Choir Practice 1:00 pm
 Baked Steak Dinner 11:30am – 1:00 pm- Dine in, Carry out, or delivery
 Mon., Dec. 4 Thrift Store Work Night 7:00 pm
 Wed., Dec. 6 WOW 5:15 – 7:00 pm
 Middle School Youth Group 6 -7 pm
 High School Youth Group 6:30 – 7:30 pm
 Sun., Dec. 17 Christmas Cantata 8:30 &10:30 am

Birthdays this week:

Dec. 3 Alayna Van Der Wege, Dustin Hoffman
 Dec. 4 Martin Parsons
 Dec. 6 Rush Brown
 Dec. 7 Kayla Arbogast, David Hogan
 Dec. 8 Gerald Morgan, Michael Parsons, Charlie Krug
 Dec. 10 Bob Balloun

Anniversaries this week:

Dec. 5 Derrick & Afton Brown
 Dec. 6 Shane & Shanda Preston
 Dec. 7 Steven & Chelsey Swords
 Dec. 10 Ezekiel & Alice Koech

ADVENT CANDLES

We are looking for families or individuals to light the candles for both services during Advent. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you would like to help. Thank you!

90th Birthday Card Shower

Bob Balloun will be celebrating his 90th birthday on December 10th. Cards may reach him at P.O. Box 214 Russell, KS 67665

CHRISTMAS GIFT

To gift Pastor Ezekiel and his family with a Christmas love offering, please mail or place in the offering plate your cash or check (made to Trinity Church) by Dec. 20, 2017 with the designation for "Pastor's Christmas" on the memo or envelope. The entire amount will be given to him at the 10:30 service on Dec. 24. Thank you for all of your thoughts, prayers, and support of the Koech Family!



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Russell, Kansas

Reverend Ezekiel Koech

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday school

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