

Schedule for the Week

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| Today | 9 a.m. | Adult Sunday School |
| December 24, 2017 | 10 a.m. | Worship Service |
| | After Church | Treats in Fellowship Hall |
| | 7 p.m. | Christmas Eve Worship |
| | 11 p.m. | Christmas Eve Worship |
| Monday December 25 | 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. | Christmas Dinner in FH |
| | | Office Closed |
| Tuesday, December 26 | | |
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| Wednesday, | 6:30 a.m. | Promise Keepers in FH |
| December 27, 2017 | | |
| Thursday, December 28 | 7:00 p.m. | AA meeting @ church |
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| Friday, December 29 | | |
| Saturday, December 30 | | |

Our Giving

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| General Fund Income | \$199,447.36 |
| General Fund Expenses | \$194,746.97 |
| Difference | \$4,700.39 |

Thank You

Thank you to Bill & Ann Rakow, Bill & Nnette Ricker, and John and Scharla Tapson for their donations to the Memorial Fund in memory of Don Phillips.

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First United Methodist Church of Marlette

December 24, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Advent

A Service of Forgiveness and Healing

Prelude

Alijah Howard

Greeting and Word of Grace

Songs of Praise & Worship

Come on Ring those Bells

The First Noel

Away in a Manger

Blessing of Our Children

Passing of the Peace

Sharing

Prayer Song *Silent Night* verse 3

Silent night, Holy night, Son of God, Love's pure light

Radiant beams from thy holy face,

With the dawn of redeeming grace,

Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. Jesus, Lord, at thy birth

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Giving

Doxology *"O Come Let Us Adore Him"*

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, 27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. 28 And 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. 30 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. 31 And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. 32 He 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. 33 He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." 34 Mary 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 born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. 36 And 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. 37 For nothing will be impossible with God." 38 Then 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.

Sermon: **Son of God!**

Pastor Dave Mulder

*Song of Affirmation: 204 *Emmanuel*

*Benediction

**Standing*

Praise choir includes
 Sherryl Potter, pianist,
 Krissa Welshans, guitar,
 Jenn Mason, Sarah
 Kady and Katie Lewis.

Birthdays: The following are celebrating birthdays this week: Sue Huntoon 12/27, Cathy Orr 12/27, Jon Keys 12/28, Jared Hutchens 12/29, Larry Aultman 12/30 and Elizabeth Skakle 12/31.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Holiday Schedule at a Glance....

- *Sunday, December 24th Christmas Eve
 - 10 a.m. **Regular Worship Service**
 - 7 p.m. **Christmas Eve Worship Service**
 - 11 p.m. **Christmas Eve Worship Service**
- *Monday, December 25th Christmas Day
 - 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. **Christmas Dinner** in Fellowship HallAll are invited; donations accepted but not expected.

*****Copies of the *Upper Room* for January/February are now available on the table in the Fellowship Hall or in the windowsill in the Sanctuary. Help yourself and take one for a friend. Large print versions available in the same locations.

*******Christmas Day Dinner** will be on Monday, December 25th from 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. Come, help, eat and enjoy the day! *Pork on Parade* is the theme for the meal. Don't be alone for Christmas; join us for food and fellowship.

*****We plan to use the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for Christmas cards to the church family. Post your card and consider donating the amount you would save to the general fund of the church.

*****Check out the bulletin board in the west Kilgour St. entrance for a list of needed items from the Pregnancy Resource Center of Lapeer. Perhaps you can help provide items for a Newborn Gift Basket or for personal hygiene items for Mom.

*****Hard copies of the *Second Mile* for December are available on the table in the Fellowship Hall. Help yourself or take a copy to a friend or neighbor. The Christmas Holiday schedule is a part of Pastor Dave's letter to the Church Family.

******Get in the Game* Men's Conference "Be the BEST MAN you can be" February 3rd, 2018, m 8 a.m. -3:30 p.m. Countryside Church, 912 West Sanilac Rd. Sandusky. \$23 Admission includes day-long conference, Tailgate party lunch & snacks, Breakout sessions (Fly Fishing, Everything Guns, Archery, Golf Pro Analysis) For tickets contact Countryside Church

Serving Today

Greeters: Jack and Dorothy Kelly

(Next Week: Lorraine & Mary Lou Kraft)

Ushers: Brock Welshans and Lon Dunsford

(Next Week: Mike Hutchens, Jon Keys and Ted Patrick)

Nursery: (Age 5 and under) Sarah Kady and Emily Bell

(Next Week: Amy King and Kyle Abbott)

Children's Church: Brock and Krissa Welshans

(Next Week: Jill Thomas and Nicole Brydon)

Counters: Mary Lou Custer

(Next Week; Byronna Brydon)

Stay for Christmas Treats
after church in Fellowship
Hall!



Merry Christmas