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| December 24 | Admin Office Closed Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ HCUMC | 9:00 pm |

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Humeston Organist: Jayma Smith **LeRoy Pianist:** Sandee Smith **Helping Hands:** Ed Coffey

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Monday 9:30-12 & 1-3

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LeRoy Presbyterian Church
1st Sunday of Advent - December 01, 2024

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

One: Children of God, pay attention!

All: The days are coming when God's peace will reign.

One: Children of God, prepare your hearts!

All: The days are coming when God will come near.

One: Children of God, be alert and listen!

All: The days are surely coming and are, in fact, already here.

***Hymn 24 vs. 1 & 3**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

**Unison Prayer: How we long for the Light of your presence, Holy God!
Guide us from the night of our hopelessness and lead us with joy
toward the dawning of your New Day. Amen.**

Hymn 2090 vs. 1

Advent Song

Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture

Psalm 25:1-10 & 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Children's Time

Sermon

"Desire Paths"

Rev. Donna Murphy-Ceradsky

The Eucharist

Offering Invitation & Offering

***Doxology** (inside hymnal front cover)

***Prayer of Dedication**

O God, we offer you these gifts and tithes. We pray that they show our love for others throughout the world. Strengthen our hearts in holiness as we faithfully give, so that our ways may be directed by you. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

***Communion Hymn 66 vs. 1 & 4**

At the Cross

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of blessing and love, when the time was right you sent your Son to the world. Teach us the art of patience and give us an understanding of your wisdom. Forgive us for making this holy season of anticipation a whirlwind of lists and activities, a flood of joyless obligations and heartless generosity. Forgive our rush as we forgive those who rush past us. Lord, calm our anxiety.

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord our God has given us this season of advent to calm our fears and, instead of dread, we have the peace that comes with the coming of the Christ child. May the hope we know keep the love of Christ in our hearts.

The Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer, The Words of Institution & Communion of the People

***Affirmation of Faith – Apostle's Creed**

We believe in the eternal Deity in whose mind was born the plan of salvation; in whose heart was born a love for humankind. We believe in the incarnate Deity born in humble station amid the lowing animals, a light in darkness, the promise of hope to the world. We believe in the inspiring God, bringing life to the womb of Mary, giving a song to the angel chorus, proclaiming good news to the shepherds of Bethlehem. We believe in the God who was, is, and ever shall be; the same yesterday, today and forever; before Bethlehem, at Bethlehem, beyond Bethlehem, forever world without end.

***Hymn 32 vs. 1 & 3**

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

***Benediction**

***Passing of the Peace**

One: We are people of the light.

All: Go tell the world: Christ has come to light the world.

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Humeston Christian United Methodist Church
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Jan Lundahl

Partaking of the Bread & Cup (please hold the cup until all have been served)

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***Hymn 211 vs. 1, 2, 4 & 7**

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

Deana Smith Family

Unison Prayer: How we long for the Light of your presence, Holy God!

Guide us from the night of our hopelessness and lead us with joy toward the dawning of your New Day. Amen.

Hymn *One Candle is Lit*

Come surely, Lord Jesus, as dawn follows night,

Our hearts long to greet you, as roses, the light.

Salvation, draw near us, our vision engage.

One candle is lit for the hope of the age.

Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer #896

Scripture

Psalm 25:1-10 & 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Children's Time

Special Music

Chancel Choir

Sermon

"Desire Paths"

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***Communion Hymn 641**

Fill My Cup, Lord

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table & Words of Institution

Offering Invitation & Offering

***Doxology #95**

***Prayer of Dedication**

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Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn of Invitation 213 vs. 1 - 4**

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

***Benediction**

***Hymn 672 vs 1**

God Be with You

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**please stand as you are able*