

Reynolds United Methodist Church
December 8, 2024 2nd Sunday of Advent

Gathering

Processional

Pastor's Moment and announcements

Announcements (See below)

The All Church Memory Verse of the Month: Psalm 25:4

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths. Psalm 25:4

**Call to Worship*

(Call & Response)

Leader: Children of God, the prophets call to us now and from generations past, urging us to prepare and refine our hearts for the coming of the Word of God. Are you listening?

All: We come to listen and prepare to receive God's Word among us.

Leader: Children of God, this is the mark of our preparation: that passion for God's Word would burn within us, cleansing us and renewing us to reflect God's love throughout the world.

All: May God ignite our passion for God's Word that has come among us as we listen, prepare, and receive all that God has for us today. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath:

**Opening Hymn:* His Name is Wonderful - UMH 172 (two times)

**Opening Prayer*

Heavenly Father, we ask for your grace this day, for we need you. We cannot save ourselves. Though we may be frantic with activity, our efforts do not yield peace, peace as you can give. Today we will be quiet enough to hear your voice. Today we will be still enough to feel your touch. Help us to find that place where we can receive as well as give, wait as well as act, and listen as well as speak. Our whole world needs your peace. Let us come before you and learn your ways, laying down our hurt and feeding the hungry. Come to us now, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

**Gloria Patri* Pg. 70

Responsive Reading Psalm 91:1-4 - UMH 810

** Hymn:* Grace Alone - FWS 2162

Proclamation and Response

**Scripture Reading:* Romans 15:4-13

Children's Moment

Message " Peace to you and others"

Joys & Concerns of God's People

Pastoral Prayer

Rhonda Brown
Pastor Jan Shaulis

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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 have trespassed against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and power and the glory forever, AMEN

Offertory

**The Doxology* – UMH 95

**Prayer of Dedication*

** Closing Hymn:* The Church's One Foundation - UMH 545

Benediction

CHURCH CALENDAR

Monday December 9 Advent Bible Study

Monday December 9 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Monday December 9 7:00 pm Women's Christmas Tea at Ashton

December 12th at 7:00 pm Blue Christmas Service at Ashton United Methodist Church for those who are suffering, especially from losing a loved one.

December 22nd at 4:00 pm Country Christmas at Rockwood's Barn, 1753 Iron Springs Road, Franklin Grove, Il

December 22nd at 7:00 pm Traditional Christmas Eve Service at Reynolds United Methodist Church

December 24th at 8:00 pm Traditional Christmas Eve Service at Ashton United Methodist Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Mission of the Month for December is HOPE of Ogle County. The mission of HOPE is to advocate on behalf of domestic abuse victims and their children in a welcoming environment. There are caring professionals to provide safety planning support, shelter, and referrals while empowering survivors to build a safe and peaceful future. They offer support, counseling, assistance and resources to those who are contending with the effects of abusive relationships. They are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to listen and provide support, providing individuals with information regarding ways to be safe and help those involved in abusive relationships pave a path to rebuild their lives. Counseling and court advocacy services are available in Ogle County. They have offices in Rochelle, Oregon and Polo.

Please make checks payable to "Reynolds Church" with "M.O.M." in the memo line and drop your donation any Sunday or mail to Penny Bennett.

Thank you. Missions Team

Submit items for the Newsletter to the Church office by December 23, 2024

Serving This Sunday, December 8

Organist: Bev Kearns

Ushers for this week: Volunteers needed

Greeters: TBD

Liturgist:

Youth Moment: Rhonda Brown

Children's Church Teacher: Rhonda Brown

Children's Church Shepherd: Volunteer needed

Communion Steward for December: Kathy Becker

Church Hostess for December: Contact Kathy Becker

Coffee Fellowship Time: Volunteer needed

Snow Removal: Volunteer needed

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Offering for:

Church Fund: \$940.00

M.O.M: \$25.00



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