

**Apostles’ Creed**  
*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**Gloria Patri**  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Mars UP Church**  
*Come Holy Spirit, Come*  
**Before the Service – Speak to God!**  
**During the Service – Let God speak to you!**  
**After the Service – Speak to each other!**

(\*Please stay seated except where indicated)  
**Welcome and Mars Messages**  
**Prelude**

**The Advent Wreath Candle Lighting: HOPE**  
Steve Martin and Marge Nicklas

*The Hope of Your Coming* **Chancel Choir**

**Responsive Litany-Hope of Your Coming**

Leader: A Savior, the Messiah, is promised; the birth of the Child is prophesied in God’s Word.

**Congregation: Oh Lord, You are our Hope.**

Leader: For what was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by The encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

**Congregation: Oh Lord, You are our Hope.**

Leader: Our hearts long for the Hope that Your arrival will bring.

**Congregation: Oh Lord, You are our Hope.**

Leader: God’s promises are true. We await the birth of Christ, the Promised Child, the Savior of the World. Hope is coming soon!

**Congregation: Oh Lord, You are our Hope.**

*The Lord’s Prayer*

Our Father,  
who 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 debts,  
as we forgive  
our debtors;  
and lead us not  
into temptation,  
but deliver us  
from evil.  
For Thine  
is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

*The Doxology*

Praise God  
from whom  
all blessings flow;  
praise Him  
all creatures  
here below;  
praise Him above,  
ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son,  
and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

**Advent Prayer**  
Gracious God, as we begin our Advent journey we thank you for the gift of your Son, and for sending hope into a world filled with dread. Help us remember that we are your people, and because of your promise we have every reason to be hopeful. Take away our doubt and fear, and remind us that Christ is our light, and the source of hope. Amen

**Hymn of Praise** **225 (v. 1-3)**  
*“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”*

**Apostles’ Creed**  
**Children’s Chat**

**Dedication of the Offering**  
**\*Doxology**  
**Prayer for the Offering**

**\*Distant Socializing** (greet your fellow worshippers with a wave and a smile)

**Choral Anthem** **Chancel Choir**  
*“Visit Us, Emmanuel”*

**Sharing Joys and Concerns**  
**Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer**

**Hymn of Praise** **244 (v. 1-2)**  
*“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture** **Luke 2:1-20**

**Morning Message** **Rev. Paul Aiello**  
*“Where is Bethlehem?”*

**Prayer of Commitment**

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Hymn of Commitment 250 (v. 1-4)  
“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

## Benediction

**\*Congregational Response** (Everyone sings)  
The time has come, O Lord, for us to leave this place;  
Guide us and protect us and lead us in Thy grace;  
Wherever life may take us as we go our separate ways;  
Help us share with others the things we’ve shared today;  
May the peace of God the Father  
And the love of Christ His Son  
Guide us in the days ahead and strengthen us each one;  
May the blessings of the Spirit fill us from within;  
God bless us and return us to this fellowship once again. Amen.

## \*Postlude

## MUP Session

Class of 2022	Class of 2021	Class of 2020
Linda Lees	Keith Nichols	Louise Fox
Mike Bocheff	John Ivory	Angela Badger
Susan Cox	Bob Riefer	Alma Staskiewicz
Sally Olsen	Christi Augustine	

Clerk of Session: Herb Wellman

## MUP Deacons

Class of 2022	Class of 2021	Class of 2020
Jay Wilson	Ruth Wilso	Caroline Kopar
Pat Jackson	Marsha Haley	Marie Matthews
Dee Aiello	Jill Cooper	Nancy Huggins

Moderators: Jill Cooper & Ruth Wilson

# CALENDAR: November 29 – December 6

Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday from 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

## Today, November 29, 2020 First Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. The Sunday School Hour

10:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

## Monday, November 30, 2020

6:30 pm Griefshare

## Tuesday, December 1, 2020

9:00 a.m. A-Team

7:00 pm AA

## Wednesday, December 2, 2020

9:00 am Material Girls

7:00 p.m. Chancel choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm PNC meeting

## Thursday, December 3, 2020

## Friday, December 4, 2020

6:00 pm Living Nativity

## Saturday, December 5, 2020

6:00 pm Living Nativity

## Sunday, December 6, 2020 Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 am The Sunday School Hour

10:00 a.m. THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

## VOLUNTEERS☺

LAST SUNDAY'S In-House

ATTENDANCE: 34

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

Operating Funds: \$1510.00

Mission: \$10.00

Kindness: \$30.00

Bells: \$205.00

Total: \$1755.00

Pastor Aiello Recommends

For your viewing &/or listening Pleasure

The Following Resources:

Two Apps You Might Enjoy:

Dwell – This is an Audio Bible read by various voices with or without musical background.

Pocket Bible – Allows you to have several Bible versions on your phone as well as other resources for study.

## PRAYER – JOYS & CONCERNS

Pat Jackson

Lou Beckwith

Reid Christopher Hall (June Stirling's nephew)

Colin –non-Hodgkin's lymphoma(Christi Augustine's Friend)

Diane (Kennedy) McDonald(Steve McDonald Daughter-in-law)

Cathy Loeffler(friend of Mary Ann Croop)

Bill Young (brother of Dick Young)

Kennedy (Great Granddaughter of Marlene Edwards)

Paige Barbour (daughter of Andrew and Steph Barbour)

Maria Elizabeth McKaveney (June Stirling's niece)

Alex Hager

Mary Ellen Grau

John Brack (brother of Karen Stack)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Bulletins are printed Thursday mornings; let us know if you have an announcement...*

**OFFICER NOMINATIONS** If you are interested in serving as an Elder or Deacon, please contact the office or someone on the nominating committee (Louise Fox, Keith Nichols, Lisa Foster, Ann Carter or June Stirling).

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECTS** If you would like to share some Christmas Joy this year, please consider taking a tag from the angel tree and purchasing a gift for a local senior citizen or child. Return the unwrapped gift (tag attached) and leave it under the tree by Sunday Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. We are also supporting the Lighthouse's Toy Drive this year. The Lighthouse also has tags for the toys for needy children. On the back of the tag are designated items needed. Also needed back by Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. The Lighthouse will distribute the toys to needy children in the area in time for Christmas. Thank you for your support of these outreach projects!

**LIVING NATIVITY-** Is back this year on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> from 6pm – 8 pm. If you would like to volunteer or help with this worthwhile project, please contact the office or Alma Staskiewicz.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, December 13, 2020, immediately after worship. Purpose of the meeting will be to elect Ruling Elders, Deacons, Auditor, Head Usher, and the 2021 Church Nominating Committee At-Large Members. The Preliminary Budget for 2021 will also be presented.

**DECEMBER MUP NEWSLETTER** Hard copies of the December newsletter are available in Tarry N Talk. If you would like to be added to the email or mailing list, please contact the office.