

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the attendance sheet in the pad and add today’s date at the top, then pass it down your row. If you are a guest, we invite you to include your address. Thank you for silencing your cell phones during the service.

PRELUDE
LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

OFFERING OUR WORSHIP

L: Come to the feast and remember. Remember the Child and the Man. For even as the star was shining brightly, the shadow of a cross was already falling over the earth.
P: Lord, we remember.
L: Remember the sharp straw at His birth and the piercing nails at His death.
P: Lord, we remember.
L: Remember the manger, a feeding trough that held the Bread of Life. Recall His broken body on the cross.
P: Lord we remember.
L: Remember the visitors who welcomed His birth. Recall the angry crowds who demanded His death.
P: Lord, we remember
L: Remember the Prince of Peace in the stable. Recall the wounded Lamb of God on a hillside, the King of kings wearing a crown of thorns.
P: Lord, we remember.
L: Remember the Child of Bethlehem and so too the Man of Sorrows on Golgotha. Recall the birth and death of the Lord. Eat, drink, and remember.
P: Lord, we remember.

OPENING PRAYER
ADVENT READING
ANTHEM
(Children may go to Kingdom Kids at this time)
OFFERTORY
OFFERING
*THE DOXOLOGY No.95 AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN No. 211

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER No. 895

RECEIVING GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE
SERMON
*HYMN NO. 196
COMMUNION
*TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD
*BENEDICTION
*POSTLUDE

Prayer List

- Mary Jane Bisel (Claudette Smith cousin)
- Gary Bradrick
- Wanda Butler (Avalon Evans’s sister)
- Shirley DeWitt
- Faye English (friend of Reta Kirsh
- Ruth Hatfield
- Zayden Jones
- Casey Kelley (friend of Eric Grove)
- Jane Lawrence
- Prudy Love
- Marilyn Metcalfe
- Carl Mowry (Roger Mowry’s brother)
- Marge Ridenour
- Bob Rohl (friend of Garver)
- Mike Schreck (friend of Buzz Rupe)
- Rick Turpin
- Kathy Taylor

Our condolences to the family and friends of David Lawrence.

This Week at Ontario UMC...

Today	9:15 am..... Adult SS
	10:15 am Worship followed by fellowship time
Tues., 12/3	7:00 pm.....Grief Service
Wed., 12/4	Noon..... Silvers Meal
	6:00 pm.....Cub Scouts
	7:00 pm.....Choir
Thurs.12/5	9:00 am..... Quilting Group
Sun., 12/8	9:15 am..... Adult S.S.
	10:15 am... .. Worship followed by fellowship time
	6:00 pm.....Youth Group
Mon., 12/9	1:00 pm.....Staff Christmas Party

~~ WELCOME, VISITORS ~~
A warm OUMC greeting to all our visitors!
Please visit the Welcome Center for a small gift, and join us in Giffin Hall after the service for refreshments and fellowship.

Write prayer joys, concerns and announcements in the Welcome Center pad to be shared during worship.

Hearing devices and large-print bulletins and hymnals are available at the Ushers Table.

Children’s Worship Activity Bags are available at the back of the sanctuary. Please return them to the rack after the service.

The altar flowers this morning are given by Ginger Wolford in memory of Carl Mandley.

“I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the LORD!’” (Psalm 122:1, ESV). May we, too, find joy in worshiping God.

- The Galion Community Chorus and Orchestra under the direction of Felicia Friebe, with harpsichordist Patty Neff will be presenting the Messiah on Sunday December 15, 2019 at 3 pm at First United Church of Christ, 248 Harding Way West in Galion, Ohio. The Community Chorus is asking for donation for this years performance. There are sponsorship papers on the ushers table in the sanctuary if you like to give.
- Poinsettia order forms are on the usher's table. Please have money and order form in church office no later than December 12, 2019. Thank you.
- Southside Christian Church will be having and open house of Nativity Sets on Sundays in December. Please see the bulletin board for more information.
- **On Tuesday at 7 pm there will be a service for those who have suffered a loss or just do not want to face the holidays. Please let Pastor Chris know if you would want to come to this special service by signing up.**
- **There is going to be a slight change in how you receive your giving envelopes at our church. No longer will you receive monthly envelopes starting January 1, 2020. Instead we had envelopes printed and will be available for pickup at the welcome table. If you are unable to pick them up, please call the church office and they will be mailed.**
- Next Sunday, December 8, please join Pastor Chris and Jill DeMarco in Giffin Hall after the service. Pastor Chris will have appetizers to show her appreciation of the congregation and Jill will have a dessert to honor Thurley Bittenbender for her 99th birthday. Please plan to stop in Giffin Hall next Sunday.
- On Tuesday, January 14, 2020, there will be a Bible Study called "The Epic of Eden, Understanding the Old Testament" by Sandra L. Richter. There is a sign up sheet on the welcome center. You can order your own book. If you have trouble finding a place to order, contact the church office and we will help you order a book.

Timeless God, we enter the last month of the calendar year and the first season of a new church year. Bless our celebration of Advent. Amen.

Last Week~~~

Worship Attendance	119
Current Expense Giving	\$5,114.00
Special Funds	276.50
Building Fund	1,634.00
R & R	585.00

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Serving Today~~

Liturgist: Jim Shaum

Greeters: Wayne & Pat Bell

Music Director: Bob Wagenhals

Organist: Millie Keith

Accompanist: Bernice Holeman

Sound Board: Jeff Davis

Power Point: Sue Wills, John Grove

Usher: Dick Franta

Table Hosts:

Kingdom Kids:

Acolyte:



FIRST SUNDAY

OF

Advent

December 1, 2019, 2019

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