

Join us at our Lord's Table Sunday as we begin our Advent Journey. We will light the first candle on our Advent wreath, the Hope candle. May God guide us in paths that lead us to the Christ Child.

Pastor's sermon is titled "Morning People" from Romans 13:11-14.

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There will be a special meeting of the congregation between services on Sunday to elect new officers. At the time of this writing there was still one vacant slot. Nominees are:

Dawn Duran Lee Wolff Kris Jenoriki Lee Wolff (elder/trustee) (Open) Mae Sterling Priscilla Schultheis Anita Brown

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Reminder – The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. We wish you and yours God's richest blessings as we move into the Advent Season.

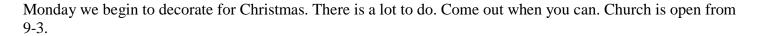
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Angel Tree tags will be on the tree in the vestibule on Sunday. Please take a tag and purchase a gift for a needy child. Gifts need to be returned by **December 18**.

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December 8 is our Christmas presentation and Birthday party for Jesus. We will have one service at 10:00am. Our young people will lead us during the sermon portion of the service. After the service we will move to Madden Hall for a pot luck luncheon. A sign up sheet for the luncheon will be in Madden Hall Sunday; please sign up! Kids will be served chicken nuggets and French fries. Please remember to bring warm hats, mittens, and scarfs for Sister Jean's kitchen. Help keep someone warm this Christmas!

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Many thanks to all who helped with the men's fellowship's benefit dinner for Jean Webster last Saturday. We made approximately \$550 for Sister Jean's.

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The Evergreens will have their Christmas lunch next Wednesday at Smithville Inn. Lunch Bunch will go to the Library III the following Wednesday, Dec. 11.

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2nd Monday of the Month Lunch will be December 9. There will be special music by Vic. The menu and sign up sheet will be posted on Sunday. Or see Karen to RSVP or to sign up to help.

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Fa-la-la-la-la!!! Please join us for 1 or more of our Christmas "Car-rolling" events in December on Friday evenings from 6-8pm. We'll gather here, go out in the van to visit 12-15 homes, sing a few carols at each home, and share some cookies and hot cocoa afterwards. Sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board. Thank you! JoAnn Sabo & Pastor Dave Cobb

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Thank you to all who helped in making applesauce, cards and crafts for the residents of the Absecon Manor. A Big Thank you to Lee and Bobby Wolf for their leadership on this project!

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JESUS' BIRTHDAY PARTY CUPCAKES will be displayed magnificently in Madden Hall on December 8th. Please make a \$1 donation in the gift box for each one that you take. All proceeds go to Sister Jean's Kitchen. Thank you and enjoy!!! -Lions & Lambs

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Mrs. Ellen Plum is giving free guitar lessons 8:30am Sunday mornings in Cobb Lounge.

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Our big congregational event with the Holland Family will be on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 7:00pm. Come for a joyous time of Christmas music. See Joanie.

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We are still waiting to hear from many of you for our Stewardship drive. If you lost your estimate of giving form, we have more.

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The Doug Jablonski Men's Fellowship will meet Saturday, December 7, at 8:30. Breakfast will be eggs.

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The annual Absecon Senior Citizen Holiday Gathering will take place Monday, December 9, from 10:30am – Noon in the Marsh School gym. Entertainment will be provided by the school choir and instrumental group followed by a luncheon served by the Student Council. All seniors are invited; an RSVP is not required.

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Sunday Servants

Lay AssistantsDeacons Guest Book9:30 Russ Adkisson, Jr9:30 Ilsa Smith11:0011:00 Mary Bew

<u>Head Ushers</u> <u>Acolyte</u>

9:30 Vic & Rita Abelson 9:30 Bud Burgess

11:00 Tina Brown, Jean Delesantro

<u>Collection</u> <u>Nursery</u>

9:30 Jan & Carol Jorgensen 9:30 Gloria Achamizo

RefreshmentsVan DriverTina BrownBarbara Hughes

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew
Set-up – Libby Little
Cook – Ed Little
Clean-up – Richard & Doris Wood

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Please Remember in Prayer

Nelson Haws Helen Sarkis Josh Howling Clarence Hook Ida Hamer Fernandez – Paul's sister, turning 100 Traveling Mercies for holiday travelers

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This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday Communion
8:45 Breakfast
9:30 Sunday School & Worship
10:30 Refreshments
11:00 Worship & A₂J
6:00 Pastors' Book Study

Monday

1:30 Bible Study 6:00 Senior Youth

Tuesday

7:00 Session

Wednesday

12:00 Evergreens Christmas Luncheon at Smithville Inn

Thursday

6:30 Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:45 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

1:00 Ruth Circle at Betsy Cunius' 6:00 Caroling

Saturday

8:30 Doug Jablonski Men's Fellowship

9:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry