

# Jesus, the Light of the World

Congregational Part

ELDERKIN  
GEORGE D. ELDERKIN

(Sing twice)



We'll walk in the light, beau-ti - ful  
light, come, where the dew-drops of mer-cy shine  
bright, O, shine all a-round us by day and by  
night, Je - sus, the light of the world.

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**TODAY there will be a special charge conference** following the 10:45 service regarding the current national Boy Scout bankruptcy plan. Since our church is a BSA charter organization, ours and other Methodist churches have a vote regarding the BSA bankruptcy plan. The charge conference vote is to give authority to our board of trustees to review the recommendation of the United Methodist lawyers as to whether or not to approve the BSA plan or reorganization, and to vote on the plan on behalf of the church. The chair of the board of trustees is further empowered to execute the plan ballot document. All are welcome to attend this brief meeting, although only Administrative Board members are allowed to vote. Pastor Chris Farmer will lead the session.

## Why Christmas...

Why Was There  
No Room in the Inn?



*"...and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. Luke 2:7*

Pastor Chris Farmer  
December 5, 2021  
10:45 a.m.



# WELCOME

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:45AM  
DECEMBER 5, 2021

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Embracing, equipping & empowering persons to evangelize through Jesus.

### CONTACT US

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Of course, we do have a telephone: 419-238-0631

And the post office finds us at 113 W. Central Avenue, Van Wert, OH 45891

### KID'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT 10:45

**Nursery Ministry** (infant to age 2) is located near the Jefferson Street entrance. You may drop your child off at any time during the service. There are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary for your use.

**AWE** our Alternative Worship Experience is for children, age Kindergarten through grade 5. Children will be dismissed from the service. Children may be picked up at the Scheidt Room (Kindergarten through Grade 5). Preschool Movin & Groovin in Faith (ages 3-5 years) will be upstairs in room 203 and can be picked up there after worship.

### GIVING:

In the wooden boxes around the sanctuary.

On line @ [vanwertfirst.net](http://vanwertfirst.net)

Text: 419.963.3557  
Thank you for your faithfulness.

### PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Lead Pastor

Liturgist

Organist

Choir Director

Acolytes

Sound Engineer

Videographer

Projectionist

Usher/Greeter Coordinator

Chris Farmer

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Scott Turner

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### REMINDER:

Angel Tree gifts are to be returned December 12<sup>th</sup>.



Thank you for your continued support of this outreach.

## Kids in Christ's Kingdom

K.I.C.K.  
Kindergarten thru 5th  
Christmas Party  
December 10th  
5:30pm to 7:00pm

Location: First UMC Van Wert



### Upcoming Events:

December 12—Messiah @ 7pm

December 19—Christmas Musical @ 6:30pm

The Christmas Offering will go to the following funds:

Agape Fund

Preschool

Haven of Hope

You may designate which fund if you like or the money will be divided among the three.

Friday  
December 24

Family Christmas Eve service  
5:00pm

Holy Communion  
in Krout Memorial  
5:45-6:45pm and 8:15-9:00pm

Music Prelude 9:30pm  
Candlelight Christmas Eve  
at First Church 10:00pm

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December 26  
One service - 10:30am  
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