

8:15 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 1, 2019

The Gathering

Please sign the attendance pad located in each pew.

Welcome & Announcements

Kristen Pollock

*Worship through Praise

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Breese Family

Robbie, Natasha, Addison, Johnse, Lyvia

Song

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Advent Candle Litany: Wonderful Counselor

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Leader: We wait for the One who can heal what has been wounded and mend what has been broken,

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Leader: We wait for the One who can renew our weary spirits and ignite our hearts with hope,

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Worship with Offering

Demond Johnson

*Scripture Lesson

Luke 2:10-11

Kristen Pollock

The Message

Series: Carols

Pastor Chris

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Holy Communion

*Closing Song

*Benediction

Praise Team Leader: Wayne Wells

Nursery: Julie Burenga

Welcome Table: Susan Mathew

FUMC PRAYER CONCERNS The family of Freda Culler, Dalton Ellerbrock—heart, Hurless Twins - broken bones, Linda Jeknavorian - hospital, Annabel Holland - broken hip, Matt Krites - ongoing treatment, Joy McCleery - vertigo, Angie Myers - cancer, Harrison Oechsle - eye injury, Keith Rawlings - health.

Please see the long term prayer list in the Friendly Visitor for other prayer needs or check the website under the drop down menu "newsletters" @www.vanwertfirst.net.

Military: Caleb Kreisler, Evan Wells, Bryan Zinsmaster, Conner Gordon, Noah Sease, Nick Gutierrez, Ben Scheidt, Gerald Christobaker, Ethan Glass, Michael Hellman, Greg Henry

Missionaries & Ministries: Stephen Ministry, Stand for Truth Ministry, Jeanne & Gaston Ntambo, Mission of Hope - Haiti.

10:45 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Welcome & Announcements

Voluntary

There's a Song in the Air

Smith/Hustad

Piano - Annette Hoverman, Organ - Gloria Wendel

Lighting of Altar Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is getting us ready to receive a gift of great joy.

People: Watch for this gift!

Leader: Be vigilant and ready. For the gift is about to come.

People: The promise of God is faithful and trustworthy.

Leader: Watch, wait. The Gift is coming into the world!

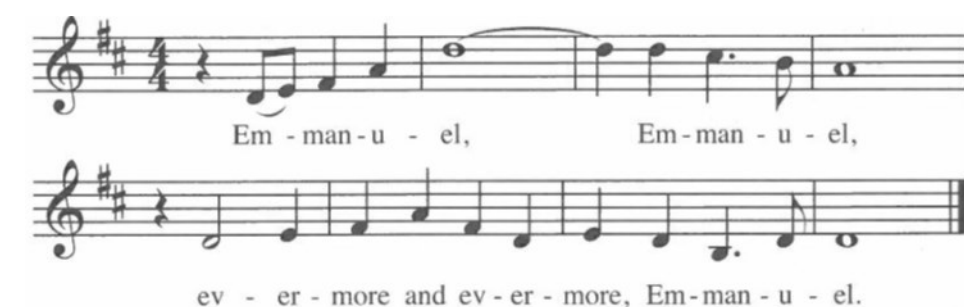
People: Praise be to God for such lavish love. AMEN.

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE

*Hymn

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

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Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Compton Family

Luke, Debby, L.J. Jr. & Clara

Of the Father's Love By J. Raney

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WORSHIP WITH GENEROSITY

Giving and Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Shepherds

W. Held

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Sung to the melody of "What Child is This?"

*Prayer of Dedication

Demond Johnson

WORSHIP WITH THE WORD

*Scripture

Luke 2:10-11

Message

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O Come, All Ye Faithful

WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONSE

Chancel Choir

Will You Travel to Bethlehem

Price/Besig

Michelle Amstutz - flute

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer

*Hymn

O Come, All Ye Faithful

#234, Vs. 1-3

*Choral Benediction

Postlude

O Come, All Ye Faithful

E. Diemer

*Indicates an Invitation to Stand

Participants in 10:45 worship

Lead Pastor:

Chris Farmer

Dir of Student & Adult Ministry:

Demond Johnson

Liturgist:

Craig Duff

Organist :

Gloria Wendel

Choir Director:

Paul Hoverman

Acolyte:

Vance Wright

Sound Engineer:

Ron Allison

Welcome Table:

Harold & Janet Merkle

Nursery:

Amanda Wright

2-3 year olds:

TBA

NOTICE: Charge Conference on Sunday, December 15 immediately following the 10:45 worship service. The Charge Conference will discuss the sale of .25 acres of the Bethel Property. Ad Board members and others interested should attend this conference.

Advent
Church family meal & celebration
 CATERED MEAL, CHRISTMAS CAROLS,
 STORY & CRAFTS FOR ALL AGES
 Great Church
 Family Fellowship
 Sunday, December 1 5-7pm

Advent devotion books are located at each entrance.
 Feel free to take one for you and a friend.



Children's Christmas Musical
 SHOW DATE
 December 15th @ 6:30pm
 FIRST united
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 113 W. Central Ave. | Van Wert, OH 45891 | 419-238-0631 | vanwertfirst.net | firstchurch@wcoo.com

*This is the first Christmas without dad...
 We just...fell out of love...
 I can't find work...
 Some days I can't bear the pain...*

**Hope Rekindled
 Christmas Service** December 19 7pm

What's Happening THIS WEEK
 Come Join Us!

Sunday, 12/01	8:15am 9:30am 9:15-10:30am 10:45am Noon 5:00 - 7:00pm	Worship Sunday School for all ages Coffee & Donuts - Krout Worship Christmas Musical Practice Advent Church Family Meal & Celebration
Monday, 12/02	1-3:00pm 6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Food Pantry Cub Scouts Soul Friends Boy Scouts M & M Life Group
Tuesday, 12/03	8:30am 10:30am 6:00pm 6:00pm	Staff Meeting Prayer Group Embrace Membership Class Guys Missing Wives @ Wild Hare
Wednesday, 12/04	8:00am 9:00am 1-3:00pm 4:00pm 5:30pm 5:30pm 6:30pm 7:30pm	Men's Bible Study Cross Over the Hill - Synergy Food Pantry Women In the Word Christmas Musical Practice Seekers Group Handbells Chancel Choir
Thursday, 12/05	8:00am 6:30pm 6:30pm	Clay Pots Praise Band Practice Finding I AM Bible Study
Friday, 12/06	10 - Noon Noon- 12:45pm 6:00pm	Food Pantry Fridays @ First - Meditation & Organ Music - Sanctuary Bread N Bowl

thank you

To all the Wednesday FEAST people who donated their time, talents and baked goods.
 We couldn't do it without you!

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December 1, 2019
 First Sunday of Advent
 O Come, All Ye Faithful



Pastor Chris Farmer

Our Vision Statement:
 Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus.

Our Mission Statement:
 Embracing, equipping and empowering
 persons to evangelize through Jesus.

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances and no matter where you've been, you matter to God and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **we welcome you and look forward to seeing you again!**

Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.