

Anthone Community Methodist Church
Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson
December 22, 2024 @ 10:00 a.m.
4TH Sunday of Advent

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God’s Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Advent Candle of Love Mike and Lisa Kerns
Insert in bulletin “The Candle of Love” 4th Verse

Opening Song “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” UMH #311

Call to Worship Liturgist: Duane Brandt
L: All through this season of Advent, we have encountered Hope, Peace
and Joy.

P: Today we light the candle of Love.

L: Today we will hear the story of surprising commitment.

P: We will learn of Mary and God's wonderful love.

L: Today we will be challenged to believe in all that God can do.

P: Open our hearts, Lord, that we may be ready for your love. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Lord, be with us this morning as we encounter Mary and hear of the
wondrous news that she received. Remind us that, like Mary, each one
of us is a bearer of your Good News. We are called to proclaim hope,
peace, joy, and love in your name. Open our hearts and our spirits
today to receive with great joy the love that you have for us. For we
ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

We Hear God’s Word

First Reading Isaiah 12: 2-6

Psalm 96 Responsively UMH #815

Children’s Story Kathy

Hymn “Star Child” TFWS# 2095

Second Reading Luke 1: 26-38

Hymn of Preparation “The Gift of Love” UMH #408

Today’s Message “Mary’s Gift of Love” Shirley

God Calls Us to Respond

PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)

The Lord’s Prayer

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology #95,

Prayer of Dedication

**All: Dear Lord, this Advent season we wait with love, and we give with
love. Love for you, our God; Love for your beautiful people.
Receive these generous offerings, and use them for your works of
love in our world. AMEN.**

Closing Song “Angels We Have Heard on High” UMH #238

Ministers.....EVERYONE!
Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson
Liturgist.....Duane Brandt
Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our
community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis,

Tom & Cindy Herrick, Fran & Keith Determann, Ed and Carol Davis,

Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Eleanore Lewis,
Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Tracy Lewis, Peggy Hansen, Brittany Miller, Bettina
Perkins, Barb Madsen, Elwanda Sheriff, Becky & Dan Marshall, Linda

Christensen, Joyce Gothier, Kim Houlsworth McDonald, Jerry Klindt, Stephanie
Johnson, Faye Miller and Roger Hladik.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

December 24: Christmas Eve Services. 6:00 p.m.

December 25: Merry Christmas

Mission Project: There is a tote in the fellowship hall for gloves, mittens and scarves for the Warming Shelter.

REMEMBER: Please save stamps for Eleanore. There is a basket on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

December Readers: December 29-JoLynne Reimert

December Children's Story: December 29-JoLynne Reimert

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Jacque Gothier (22), Adam Mitchell (21), Phil & Deanna Adler (30).

Nov./Dec. Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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