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**MEARS UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH**

**December 22, 2024**

**The Carols of Christmas:  
"O Come All Ye Faithful"  
Hymn #234**

We received a Christmas Card from Leigh & Linda Furgason wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

Also check the bulletin board for an updated newsletter from the Teichmers, our missionaries in Indonesia.



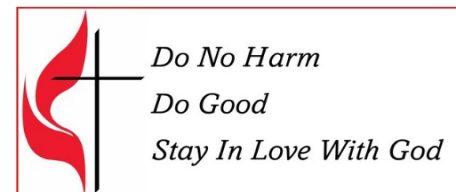
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# Today

Greetings and Announcements

Breathing in God's Grace

Call to Worship —

You know what time it is,

*It is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.*

For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;

*The night is far gone, the day is near.*

Let us then lay aside the works of darkness

*And put on the armor of light.*

Doxology

Opening Hymn:

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240

Opening Prayer & Prayer of Thanksgiving

Advent Reading

Advent Song: *Advent Song vs 4* FWS 2090

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Time with Pastor Bev

Hymn of Preparation:

*O Little Town of Bethlehem* UMH 230

The Apostles' Creed: UMH 881

Scripture: Luke 2:10-14

Message: *The Carols of Christmas:*

*"O Come All Ye Faithful"* Hymn #234

Closing Hymn:

*Angels We Have Heard on High* UMH 238

Benediction & Going Forth

*Offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary.*

*~ Thank you for your gift! ~*

## UPCOMING WORSHIP MEETINGS & EVENTS

*as of December 22, 2024*

### Time Change

Immediately after church today we will have a meeting to vote on a different time to start service for 2025

### Christmas Eve Service

The Candlelight Christmas Eve Service will be on Tuesday December 24 at 6pm. We need some volunteers to read the scripture.

### Ministry Team

Thank you all who helped and supported the Christmas Baskets and the Angel Tree Gifts. We helped over 53 families, 135 children and gave out 133 baskets! God is Good!

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### Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve 6pm

The Carols of Christmas:

"O Holy Night"

Luke 2:1-20

### Sunday, December 29

The Carols of Christmas:

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Hymn #240

Luke 2:8-13

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