



Thank You

Thank you to all who attended my birthday party and sent greetings. I had a wonderful day. Love to All. Marilyn Rasmussen

Joyful Walking

Continue walking through December 24th. There is a log sheet to write down how long you walk on the west bulletin board. Joyfully walk through the inside of our church building for the Advent season to wait and prepare for both the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas and the return of Jesus at the Second Coming. This program will give everyone the opportunity to set aside time to spend with God.

Volunteers Needed

We need Scripture reader and refreshment hosts for December 22, if you can fill either of these please sign up on the west bulletin board.

December 15

Come enjoy the Children's Christmas Program and the Cantata during Worship on December 15. After Worship we will take a Church Family Photograph.

Reverse Advent Calendar

If you would like to participate with the Sunday school class in this reverse advent giving please grab a calendar in the back on your way out.

Community Events this Week

Today, Sunday, December 8

8am-5pm Kearney County Historical Society

Bake/Garage Sale @ Minden Exchange Bank community room.

2pm Community Choir Concert @

Westminster United Presbyterian Church

3-6pm Tour of Homes

5-6:45pm Soup Supper @ Senior Center

7pm Light of the World Pageant

Thursday, December 12

5:30pm Family Story Time @ Jensen Memorial Library

Scripture Cont...

Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah:

"A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'"

John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.

But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

Holiday Pastoral Visits...

Pastor Peter will visit anyone on request. If pastoral care is needed around you especially during the Holiday Season, please contact Pastor Peter via phone 201-888-8430 or e-mail peterchoiminden@gmail.com.

"For I am the Lord, who heals you." Exodus 15:26

Minden United Methodist Church

**2019 Vision:
The Lord will renew and
strengthen us like eagles.**



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This Week's Calendar...

Today, Dec 8 9:00am Sunday School
 9:30am Prayer in Prayer Room
9:45am Worship Service
 Adult Sunday School after Worship
 Joyful Walking everyday

Monday, Dec 9 7:00pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, Dec 11 Noon UMW Luncheon
 6:00pm Choir Practice

Sunday, Dec 15 9:00am Sunday School
 9:30am Prayer in Prayer Room
**9:45am Worship Service including
 Children's Christmas Program &
 Christmas Cantata**
 Adult Sunday School after Worship
 1:30 Christmas Cantata at
 Bethany Home

Prayer List...

Please call the office when you know of someone in the hospital. Thank you!

Information from last week...

Worship Service Attendance..... 72
 Sunday's Worship Offering\$3,966.00

Please have this week's birthday people in your prayer.

Jamin Grass Kathi Schutz Jace Binder
 Cray Stubbs

Clavinova/Organ: Marlys Farm
 Projection: Tony Ratka, Larry Snavely, Alaina Suchsland
 Greeters and Ushers: Fred & Joyce Will
 Refreshment Hosts: Lyra Johnson
 Church Prayer Chain: Joan Fries

There is a fully equipped Nursery for children in the Southeast wing. A changing table is located in the Nursery.
Quiet Bags for young children are available in the lobby.
Restrooms are located in both the East and West hallways.
The Upper Room Booklets for Nov/Dec are in the lobby.

Scriptures...

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse;
 from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
 The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—
 the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
 the Spirit of counsel and of might,
 the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD—
 and he will delight in the fear of the LORD.
 He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes,
 or decide by what he hears with his ears;
 but with righteousness he will judge the needy,
 with justice he will give decisions for the poor of
 the earth.
 He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth;
 with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.
 Righteousness will be his belt
 and faithfulness the sash around his waist.
 The wolf will live with the lamb,
 the leopard will lie down with the goat,
 the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
 and a little child will lead them.
 The cow will feed with the bear,
 their young will lie down together,
 and the lion will eat straw like the ox.
 The infant will play near the cobra's den,
 and the young child will put its hand into the
 viper's nest.
 They will neither harm nor destroy
 on all my holy mountain,
 for the earth will be filled with the
 knowledge of the LORD
 as the waters cover the sea.
 In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner
 for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his
 resting place will be glorious.

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Order of Worship
December 8, 2019, 2nd Sunday of Advent

Bringing in the Light of Christ The Acolytes
 Welcome and Announcements Kim Snavely
 *Call to Worship
 Lightening of the Advent Candle Sinsel Family
 *Opening Prayer
 *Silent Prayer of Confession
 *Opening Hymns
 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" UMH 211
 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" UMH 234
 *Greetings of Peace
 Joys and Concerns
 Pastoral Prayer - Lord's Prayer
 Children's Time Pastor Peter Choi
 Scripture Isaiah 11:1-10 Aiden Sinsel
 Matthew 3:1-12
 "Prepare the Kingdom of God" Pastor Peter Choi
 Hymn "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" UMH 229
 Giving Our Gifts
 *Doxology UMH 94
 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
 *Offering Prayer
 *Closing Hymn UMH 220
 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"
 *Benediction