



# United Methodist Church of Antioch

First Sunday after Christmas  
A Service of Lessons & Carols  
December 31, 2023

## PRELUDE

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today	UVC Sunday Worship One service only, 9:15am AA 8-9pm/White Rm
Mon, Jan 1	New Year's Day-Office Closed AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm
Tues, Jan 2	AA 6-7pm/White Rm
Wed, Jan 3	AA 10-11am; 8-9pm/White Rm
Thurs, Jan 4	AA 6-7pm/White Rm PEO 10am-3pm/Kitchen/Wesley Hall
Fri, Jan 5	AA 10-11am AA 6:30-7:30pm; 8:30-9:30pm
Sat, Jan 6	AA 6-7pm/White Rm Terry King Funeral 2pm
Sun, Jan 7	Communion Sunday/Epiphany Sunday Worship, 8am & 10:30am Choir/Sunday School/Youth Group, 9:15am Handbell Choir 11:45am-12:30pm/Rm 101 AA 8-9pm/White Rm

*~Please note, the worship service is recorded and streamed to the internet, and there are large print bulletins and Bibles available. See an usher if you would like one. Additionally, there are handicap accessible restrooms located in Wesley Hall.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Please Note: Pastor Katie will be on vacation following today's service through January 1. The office will be closed during this time. If you need pastoral assistance while Pastor Katie is away, please contact Beth Stahl, Jim Menzer or Cheryl Collins. Also, please know Pastor Katie turns her cell phone off while on vacation, so she will not receive your calls, voicemail, texts, or email until she returns. Merry Christmas to all, and let us rejoice in the birth of our Lord and Savior!

-The office staff will be working on your end of year statements after the holiday. However, if you are planning to make an end-of-the-year gift, please have it turned in by December 31 to ensure it is counted in the correct year.

The Church Nursery is available for children 4 years and under. Please speak to an usher if you need nursery care. We follow our Safe Sanctuary policy, a copy of which is available in the nursery room. Also, children's activity folders are available by the Usher's stand.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Joanne Rae

**The mission of the United Methodist Church of Antioch is to grow in faith, to worship God following the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to be instruments of God's love through the Holy Spirit as we reach out to our community and the world.**

*\* Invites you to stand as you are able or to sit with gusto!*

**HYMN #250**

*Once in Royal David's City (vs.1, 4)*

**MORNING PRAYERS**

Nikki Georgia

**Silent Prayer**

**The Bidding Prayer**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**FIRST LESSON**

Genesis 3:8-15, 17-19

Nikki G

God announces in the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve's punishment for their rebellion and that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.

**CAROL #220**

*Angels from the Realms of Glory*

**SECOND LESSON**

Genesis 22:15-18

Mike L

God promises to Abraham that by his descendants all the nations of the earth shall obtain blessing.

**CAROL #218**

*It Came upon the Midnight Clear*

**THIRD LESSON**

Isaiah 9:2, 6-7

Ava K

The prophet announces the birth of a king to a people in darkness.

**CAROL #227**

*The Friendly Beasts (Vs. 1, 2, 6)*

**FOURTH LESSON** Micah 5:2-5a Brian H-K  
The king is coming and will usher in a reign of justice for the poor and peace for all of God's creation.

**CAROL #245** *The First Noel* (Vs. 1-3)

**FIFTH LESSON** Luke 1:26-35, 38 Judy T  
The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she will give birth to God's promised Son whose kingdom shall never end.

**CAROL #251** *Go, Tell It On a Mountain*

**SIXTH LESSON** Luke 2:1-7 Leta S  
Against a backdrop of emperors and taxes, Jesus is born.

**CAROL #228** *He Is Born*

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY #95**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**\*WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS TO GOD** Denny S  
As we continue to celebrate the gift that you are, Jesus, we give thanks for the gifts that you have given to us. Thank you for allowing us to share them with others in your world. Multiply these gifts for your service, so that others will know your love and care. In Christ's name we pray.  
**Amen.**

**SEVENTH LESSON**

Luke 2:8-16

Denny S

The shepherds go to see the Savior of the world, lying in a manger.

**CAROL #219**

*What Child Is This*

**EIGHTH LESSON**

Matthew 2:1-11

Carol C

The wise men follow a star to find the child Jesus, the King of the Jews

**CAROL #254**

*We Three Kings* (Vs. 1,5)

**NINTH LESSON**

John 1:1-14

Joanne R

John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

**CAROL #234**

*O Come, All Ye Faithful* (Vs. 1,2,4,5)

**\*SENDING FORTH**

Joanne R

L: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

**P: And also, with you. Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Red* indicates “The United Methodist Hymnal”

*Black* indicates “The Faith We Sing”

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**Notes:**

# WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

**Today**

**January 7**

**Greeters**

**9:15am only**

8:00am

Denny Sathoff

Lou Ann Holmes

10:30am

Jennifer Klingler

**Ushers**

8:00am

Walt Cichonski

Dawn Vogel

10:30am

Dan Fluck

**Soundboard**

8:00am

Chris Shannon

Walt Cichonski

10:30am

Mike Lapke

**Liturgists**

8:00am

Leta Sathoff

Denny Sathoff

10:30am

Nikki Georgia

**Coffee Servers**

8:00am

Vogels

Jane Buck

Barb Cantrell

10:30am

Nancy Zitkus

Betty Collins

**Church Openers**

Metzs

Cichonskis

**Communion Stewards**

8:00am

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Heather Menzer

Nancy Colby

10:30am

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Carol Dunn

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## **Please Note:**

**Deadline for the Newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month-for the FOLLOWING month Send info in Word doc or body of email to [editorumca@gmail.com](mailto:editorumca@gmail.com)**

Next deadline is January 15<sup>th</sup> for the February newsletter.

*Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.*