

# Mountain Views *December 3, 2017*

We would like to give thanks to our liturgists and AV teams: Jan Winqest, Judy Davis, Susan Kodani, Dick Habighorst, the Kerbers, Lee Ann Lathrop, and Ryan Kirkpatrick.

**Advent Marketplace: Today, Barker Hall**  
Join us for a variety of alternative and practical gifts that support non-profits and members' businesses. Cake, cider, live piano, and children's crafts will all be available as well.

## **Usher's Training Today following 10:30 am Worship**

There will be an usher's update and training immediately after the 10:30 am service on Sunday, Dec. 3. This will last around 20-30 minutes. We will go over the new church safety plan, the location and use of the defibrillator, and cover a few other details. All ushers are asked to stay for this training and update if possible.

**Global Migration Sunday: Today, use UMCOR #30221444 to contribute**  
Today is the official kick off for this new special Sunday that seeks to support international refugees.

## **December Transformation Group**

Beginning with the first Sunday in Advent 2017, December 3, we will begin A Guide to Prayer by Reuben Job and Norman Shawchuck. On Wednesday, December 6, we'll join the Care Team in assembling Advent Bags for distribution to members of our congregation who need a bit of extra Christmas season cheer. If you've been interested in the Transformation Group, but didn't want to commit to a study, this would be a great opportunity to join us for just one morning. For more information, please contact Toni Gray, 303-786-9720, tbookworm@comcast.net.

**Wesley Annes Potluck: Tuesday, December 5, 11:30 am, Frasier Parlor**  
The Wesley Annes Circle will meet for our Christmas Potluck luncheon and are inviting the Solo's lunch group and Mountain View staff to join for the holiday party. We'll sing carols, enjoy a short program, and share favorite holiday recipes. All Mountain View women and friends are invited to

join. For more information, contact Dorothy Quincy at 303-319-1029.

## **Solo's join Wesley Annes for a Holiday Potluck**

The Wesley Annes Circle of the Mt. View United Methodist Women has graciously invited the Solo's to join them as guests for their annual Holiday Pot luck luncheon on Tuesday December 5th at 11:30 am in the Frasier Parlor at the Church. All Mt. View ladies of about age 50 or older (single or not) and their friends are welcome. Please make your reservation with Jo Ann Joselyn (jjoselyn@earthlink.net; 720 562 8027) by Sunday December 3.

## **Charge Conference Update**

If you would like a packet from this year's Charge Conference, they are available beneath the mailboxes opposite the Church Office.

## **Blue Christmas Service: Thursday, December 14**

If you or someone you know is finding Christmas to be a difficult time, Mountain View United Methodist Church invites you to our 2017 Blue Christmas service. There will be a light supper served at 5:15 pm in Frasier Parlor. A worship service will follow the supper at 6:15 pm in the Sanctuary. Please call the church if you plan to have supper with us so we may prepare the appropriate amount of food, if you need transportation to the church, or need childcare during the service.

## **German Advent Service: Saturday, December 16, 3:00 pm**

All are invited to a festive, ecumenical Advent service in German. There will be music, prayer, Crib Play, Scripture, and a message with an informal gathering and treats to follow.

## **Advent and Christmas Eve Services**

- **Sunday, December 10** - Second Sunday of Advent
- **Thursday, December 14** - Blue Christmas - Dinner at 5:15, Service at 6:15 pm
- **Sunday, December 17** - Third Sunday of Advent - Mountain View Sings - Worship at 9:03 & 10:30 am

- **Sunday, December 24** - Combined morning worship at 10:30 am

## **Christmas Eve Services**

- **5:00 pm:** Family service
- **6:30 pm:** Musical Christmas gift - enjoy Christmas songs from the Chancel Choir and Wesley Ringers in the Sanctuary before worship
- **7:00 pm:** Traditional Service with Choir and Wesley Ringers
- **9:00 pm:** Traditional Service with Head for Home and Spirit Singers

## **December Outreach Opportunities Share a Gift**

Share a Gift provides new and gently used toys to less fortunate children. This program allows parents to shop for their children with the donated gifts so that the gift is from them and chosen for the child specifically. There will be a box in the Narthex on 12/3 and 12/10. Volunteers are welcome (ages 16 and up) to help during December 13-17. For more information visit [shareagift.org](http://shareagift.org) or call JoAnn Joselyn at 720-446-TOY1.

## **Family to Family**

This program offers us the opportunity to enrich the lives of families in need of holiday assistance. This program is coordinated with the Department of Housing and Human Services every year. They request \$25 gift cards from Target or Walmart or checks made to Family to Family. There will be a box for donations available December 3 downstairs at Advent Marketplace and December 10 in the Narthex. Donor forms will be available this weekend in the Narthex for pick up.

## **Mozart's Stocking**

Watch for the elves in the Narthex on December 10 and December 17 for donations towards a personal family gift for Mozart Adevu, our Covenant Missionary in Ghana.

## **Prayers**

- Nancy Kastner
- Geni Mitchell
- Jana Wynett

## **Joys**

- The amount received for EFAA at the Thanksgiving service was \$562.

## **Joys**

- Thank you to so many for your notes, prayers and well-wishes. My wrist is healing well and your support is greatly appreciated! With love, Bonnie Strand

## **This Week's Schedule**

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

## **Sunday, December 3**

8:00 am - 2:00 pm: Advent Marketplace (BH)  
9:00 - 10:00 am: Adult/Youth Sunday School  
10:45 - 11:45 am: Children's Sunday School  
11:50 am - 12:50 pm: Spirit Singers (108)  
5:30 - 7:00 pm: Crossfyr (BH)

## **Monday, December 4**

1:15 - 8:15 pm: Violin - Brady (202)  
4:00 - 6:00 pm: Inclusivity Committee (208)  
4:15 - 8:45 pm: GBYO (S, FP, VR, 108, 109, 111/113, 112)  
7:00 - 9:00 pm: Outreach Meeting (208)  
7:00 - 9:00 pm: Reserved (205)

## **Tuesday, December 5**

9:30 - 10:30 am: FUMC UMW Executive Committee (205)  
10:30 am - 2:00 pm: Wesley Annes (FP)  
11:30 am - 1:00 pm: Staff Meeting (205)  
3:30 - 7:00 pm: Bridge House Dinner (BH)  
5:15 - 6:30 pm: Worship Committee (208)  
6:00 - 8:00 pm: Infinite U (111/113)  
6:00 - 8:30 pm: Reserved (205)  
6:30 - 7:30 pm: Bell Rehearsal (S)  
7:00 - 9:00 pm: SPPRC (FP)

## **Wednesday, December 6**

9:30 - 11:00 am: Care Team (FP)  
9:30 am - 12:00 pm: Transformations Group (205)  
10:30 am - 1:30 pm: There with Care (BHK)  
11:00 am - 9:00 pm: Violin - Berg (111/113)  
3:45 - 6:15 pm: Violin - Morris (108)  
4:30 - 6:15 pm: Flute - Kelly (202)  
5:00 - 6:30 pm: Girl Scouts Troop 182 (109)  
6:15 - 8:15 pm: Violin - Morris (112)  
6:30 - 7:30 pm: MA Meeting (FP)  
6:30 - 8:00 pm: Wednesday Night Women (205)  
7:00 - 8:30 pm: Choir Rehearsal (S, 108)

## **Thursday, December 7**

9:00 - 11:00 am: Boulder Networking (BH)  
12:00 - 9:00 pm: Violin - Berg (109)  
6:00 - 8:00 pm: Cub Scouts (110)  
7:00 - 9:00 pm: Trustees Meeting (FP)

## **Friday, December 8**

3:45 - 6:15 pm: Suzuki Strings (S, BH, VR, FP, Classrooms)  
5:30 - 9:00 pm: Fun Club (FP)

## **Saturday, December 9**

8:00 am - 12:00 pm: Mt. View Spruce Up  
5:00 - 6:30 pm: Head for Home (S)  
7:30 - 10:00 pm: NA Meeting (FP)

*We will grow in love of God and neighbor and self as Disciples of Jesus Christ in the Wesleyan tradition.*

# December 3, 2017

## *First Sunday of Advent*



# "Good News for the Battlefied"

By Pastor Sarah Merchant

*Mark 1: 1-8*

## **Mountain View United Methodist Church**

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### 8:00 am Early Service

Gathering Hymns *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* UMH #213  
*Angels from the Realms of Glory* UMH #220

Ritual of Friendship

Sharing the Ministry of Mountain View UMC

Advent Candle Lighting

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Centering Hymn *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 1, 2, 6)* UMH #211

Offering

Doxology (see screen or 10:30 service) UMH #94

Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Focus Mark 1: 1-8 Bible p. 812

Scripture Response Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *"Good News for the Battlefield"*  
Pastor Sarah Merchant

Sacrament of Holy Communion (See screen for responses)

Closing Hymn *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* UMH #196

Benediction

Lay Liturgist: Jan Winquest  
Piano: Linda Chambers

### 9:03 am Praise Service

Centering with Breathing Deep the Breath of God

Songs of Praise (words found on the screen)

Welcome and Sharing the Ministry of Mountain View UMC

Advent Candle Lighting John Stewart & Phil Youngren

Ritual of Friendship

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Silent Meditation and Prayer

Song of Praise and Offering

Scripture Focus Mark 1: 1-8 Bible p. 812

Message *"Good News for the Battlefield"*  
Pastor Sarah Merchant

Acts of Reflection and Response - Communion See Screen for Responses

The Sending Forth

Closing Song

### 10:30 am Traditional Service

*\*Please stand, as you are able*

Prelude *Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Is Calling* JS Bach  
Susan Carl, organ

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Sharing the Life and Ministry of Mountain View UMC

Advent Candle Lighting The Kirkpatrick family: Ryan, Wendi,  
Carter, and Walker

**\*Greetings and Passing of the Peace:** Please greet each other with a handshake or an embrace, and with the words, **"May the peace of God be with you."**

**\*Opening Hymn *Prepare the Way of the Lord (in the round)* UMH #207**

Children's Time  
*Following this time, children age 3 through 5th grade are invited to participate in worship in our Playground or return to sit with their families.*

Invitation to Offering

Offertory *Prepare the Way of the Lord* Michael Larkin  
Chancel Choir

**\*Response *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* UMH #204**  
**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.**  
**God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**\*Hymn of Faith *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v. 1, 2, 6)* UMH #211**

Scriptural Meditation  
**All: May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in Thy sight, O God, our Rock and our Redeemer!**

Scripture Focus Mark 1: 1-8 Bible p. 812

**Scripture Response**  
Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God.  
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *"Good News for the Battlefield"*  
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### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

**Kyrie (see screen)**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**Sanctus (see screen)**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**Memorial Acclamation (see screen)**

**Amen (see screen)**

**Our Lord's Prayer** Unison  
**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.**

Communion Music *Advent Meditations* Susan Carl, organ

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP  
*You are invited to come to the table by way of the center aisle, balcony first. Two serving teams will offer you the bread that may be dipped in the chalice, or you may choose to partake of the juice offered in the small communion cups. **Gluten-free wafers are available at the Communion station to the right of the Altar. You are invited to pause at the communion rail for prayer. Please return by the side aisles.***

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**\*Hymn of Dedication *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* UMH #196**

\*Benediction

Taking the Light of Christ's Blessings into the World

Postlude *O Come, Emmanuel by Wilbur Held*  
Susan Carl, organ

*The flowers on the Altar today are given by Andy and Annette Anderson in honor of and with thanks to the friendly "Greeters" who welcome our members and visitors to Mountain View each Sunday.*

