
CALENDAR

December 10- Second Sunday in Advent

- ◆ UMW Cookie Sale
- ◆ 9:30AM: Sunday School for children through adults (Education Rooms)
- ◆ 10:00AM: Choristers (Music Room)
- ◆ 11:00AM: Choir Cantata. One combined worship service (Main Sanctuary)
- ◆ 6:00PM: Sunday Night Ticket AA (East Fellowship Hall)

December 11

- ◆ 10:30AM: Gentle Yoga with Kate (Bryans Room)
- ◆ 12:00PM: Chair Yoga (Evanston Center)
- ◆ 6:00PM: Meditation Mindfulness (Evanston Center)
- ◆ 8:00PM: Group 13 AA (East Parlor)
- ◆ 8:00PM: Stepping Stones Al-Anon (Osborne Parlor)

December 12

- ◆ 9:00AM: Indoor Labyrinth until 7PM (Evanston Center)
- ◆ 10:00AM: Men's Fellowship (Osborne Parlor)
- ◆ 4:00PM: A Child's Song (Music Room)
- ◆ 5:00PM: Kindermusik (East Parlor)
- ◆ 6:30PM: Troop 5 (Noakes Hall, B03)
- ◆ 7:00PM: BMCM Meditation (East Parlor)

December 13

- ◆ 9:30AM: UMW Bible Study (Osborne Parlor)
- ◆ 12:30PM: Pastor Jackson's Bible Study (Osborne Parlor)
- ◆ 12:30PM: Advent Centering Prayer (Evanston Center)
- ◆ 6:30PM: Pack 5 (Noakes Hall)
- ◆ 8:00PM: Forgiveness Al-Anon (East Parlor)

December 14

- ◆ 8:30AM: Mary Nicholas Footcare (Journeys In Faith)
- ◆ 7:00PM: Sangha Meditation (East Parlor)
- ◆ 7:15PM: Choir Rehearsal- All are welcome! (Sanctuary)

December 15

- ◆ 12:00PM: PB & J Ministry (Civic Center Park)

December 16

- ◆ 7:45AM: FA in Recovery (East Parlor)
- ◆ 10:00AM: Alzheimer's Support Group (OP)

December 17- Third Sunday in Advent

- ◆ T.P. Sunday
- ◆ 8:45AM: Choristers
- ◆ 9:30AM: Sunday School for children through adults (Education Rooms)
- ◆ 10:30AM: Choristers (Music Room)
- ◆ 11:00AM: Children's Christmas Pageant. One combined worship service (Main Sanctuary)
- ◆ 6:00PM: Sunday Night Ticket AA (East Fellowship Hall)

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:30AM in Wasser Chapel

11:00AM in the main Sanctuary

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Journeys in Faith meets in Bryans Room. Come join us for lively biblical discussions surrounding current issues and events. The facilitators will be Les Law and Richard Nelson.

November 26 through December 17: Race: The Power of an Illusion.

Cornerstone II meets in the Cornerstone II room at the bottom of the ramp from the glass doors. This group studies various topics depending on decisions made during discussions. The class is facilitated by Jeremy and Amy Long.

November 26 through December 17: Race: The Power of an Illusion.

New Sunday School Class! RACE: The Power of an Illusion. This class will meet November 26 through Dec. 17, in East Fellowship Hall!

Children's Sunday School meets on the third floor starting out in the music and movement room.

Theme: *Get Ready, the Light is Coming.*

Middle School Sunday School meets in BO3 and will participate in the Race: The Power of an Illusion series.

High School Sunday School meets in the Youth Lounge and will study various subjects of interest to the youth. Brittany Nelson and Nick Shade will lead this group.

Adult Special Needs Sunday School meets in the Journeys in Faith classroom in the lower level of the Christian Education wing. Contact Hope Law, class teacher, for more information.

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December 10, 2017

11:00 AM

Second Sunday in Advent

Watch

ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 10, 2017 , 11:00AM

Sanctuary

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE: In Dulci Jubilo

J.S. Bach/ arr. D. Bish

WELCOME H.O.M.E.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Fagan

Leader: "It is so easy to be hopeful in the daytime when you can see the things you wish on. But it was night, it stayed night. Night was striding across nothingness with the whole round world in his hands . . . They sat in company with the others in other shanties, their eyes straining against cruel walls and their souls asking if [God] meant to measure their puny might against His. They seemed to be staring at the dark, but their eyes were watching God." ~*Zora Neale Hurston*

ALL: "... hope is a revolutionary patience... Hope begins in the dark, the stubborn hope that if you just show up and try to do the right thing, the dawn will come. You wait and watch and work: you don't give up." ~*Anne Lamott*

*HYMN 211: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (verses 1, 5-7)

Veni Emmanuel

HONORING OUR VISITORS
FINDING FIVE

Bethany Hader

HEARING THE WORD

CHORAL INTROIT

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

Nancy Fagan

Reader: May God bless the hearing and understanding of these words.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHORAL SCRIPTURE ACCLAMATION

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING: WE WAIT IN HOPE

The Seaborn Family

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Duane Buys

[As the children leave, let us join in singing]

**Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world,
All the shades from dark to light, they are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

HYMN 216: Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming

Es Ist Ein Ros

SILENT PRAYER
LORD'S PRAYER #895

CHORAL PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

CHORAL OFFERTORY PREFACE

OFFERTORY: The Coventry Carol

English Carol/ James Southbridge

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY HYMN 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

CHANCEL CHOIR CANTATA

Of the Father's Love Begotten by *Gilbert Martin*

Directed by: JoAnn Gudvangen-Brown

Pianist: Renae Gudvangen

Narrator: Rev. Stephen Bibb

1. Of the Father's Love Begotten
2. Messiah Comes, Emmanuel!
3. What Child Is This?
4. Manger Lullaby soloists: Molly Mathiesen and Larry Roggensack
5. Angels We Have Heard on High
6. One Holy Night
7. Of the Father's Love Begotten (Reprise)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN 203: Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Ellacombe

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Jackson

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Hark The Glad Tidings

Polish Carol

Flowers today are given by Holly and Walt Flexer in loving memory of Sammy J. Smith, Holly's father.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Ushers: Frank Philipp, Ruth Rohs, Larry Fagan, Embra Daylie,
Nathan Daylie

Greeters: Elaine Blinn, John Blinn, Joan Buresh, Karin Kowalski

GET INVOLVED

For a complete list of events and committee meetings, please visit us at uparkumc.org.

UMW Annual Cookie Sale

TODAY! December 10. \$15/box

100% of proceeds go to local and global missions

Alternative Giving

Stop by the table in the Narthex and donate to your agency of choice. Make your checks out to University Park United Methodist Church. You can also donate on line by going to uparkumc.org.

Red Poinsettias to Adorn the Sanctuary and Chapel

For the price of \$10 you may purchase a poinsettia to adorn the sanctuary or chapel for Christmas Eve. You may take it home following the 7pm or 11pm Christmas Eve services.

A sign-up chart is available on the door to the Sanctuary in the foyer. Make your checks out to UPark UMC and give it to Jessica Carmer in the office or go to uparkumc.org and click on the Giving tab and pay through the Flower Fund.

Christmas Day Act of Comfort and Joy

On Christmas Day, UPark will bring tidings of comfort and joy to the halls of Jewell Care Center with Christmas carols, cookies and fruit, and care packages for the staff. Meet at UPark at 10am on December 25th. We will carpool over to JCC, located at 4450 E Jewell Ave, Denver, CO 80222. We anticipate leaving the care center by noon.

Contact Liza Stoltz Hanson if you are planning on joining us! If you would like to contribute, bring cookies or fruit to UPark on Christmas Eve and drop off in the work room, or place gift cards in \$5/\$10 amounts to Target or King Soopers/Safeway in Liza's box in the workroom.

Combined Services

There will be one combined service at 11:00AM in the Sanctuary on the following Sundays: December 10, December 17, and December 31. Sunday School will still be held at 9:30AM with the exception of December 31- there will be no Sunday School.

Advent Candle Lighting

If you would like to light an Advent Candle during 11:00 on December 17 or on Christmas Eve, please contact Jessica Carmer at jcarmer@uparkumc.org.

30th Annual Warren Village Christmas Shop

A big thank you for the gifts that were donated for the Warren Village Christmas Party. Some parents and children were made very happy with the generosity shown!

Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 17

Our annual Children's Christmas Pageant will be presented on Sunday, December 17, during the combined 11:00 am service. We hope all of our children, toddlers through youth, will participate in this event. Rehearsal will be during Sunday school **December 17**. *Our very youngest children are also invited to participate in the pageant. They do not need to rehearse, but can come on the 17th, choose a costume, and participate in the "impromptu" pageant style we have enjoyed the past few years.*

Christmas Eve Services

Services on December 24, 2017 will be held at the following times: 4:00PM, 7:00PM, and 11:00PM.

Crosspoints UMW

The Crosspoints UMW will have our special Christmas meeting on Dec. 14, at 11 am (please note the time change). We will meet at Spirit of Hope UMC, 3885 S. Broadway, starting with a short business meeting and then a pot luck luncheon. We will have some guests from Brentwood UMW. Our special program is "Ms. Colorado Senior America Pageant Cameo Club." This will be musical review starring the current Ms. Colorado Senior America and others.