

Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church

Welcome Home

December 14th, 2025



**PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT*

Welcome & Opportunities for Service

Opening Prayer

***Opening Song**

***Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus* UMH #196**

Words: Charles Wesley, 1744; Music: Rowland H. Pritchard, 1830; Harm from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Lighting the Advent Candles
of Hope, Peace, & Joy



Lifting Our Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Please pray in the language that brings you closest to God.

Choir *O Come to Set Us Free*

Message: *Carols: O Come All Ye Faithful*

***Christmas Carol**

***O Come All Ye Faithful* UMH #234 v1-4**

Words & Music: John F. Wade, ca. 1743; trans by Frederick Oakeley, 1841, & others; harm from *Collections of Motets or Antiphons*, 1792

Scripture

Matthew 11:28 CEB

²⁸ *"Come to me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 9:12-13 CEB

¹² When Jesus heard it, he said, *"Healthy people don't need a doctor, but sick people do. ¹³ Go and learn what this means: I want mercy and not sacrifice. I didn't come to call righteous people, but sinners."*

2 Corinthians 5:17 CEB

¹⁷ So then, if anyone is in Christ, that person is part of the new creation. The old things have gone away, and look, new things have arrived!

Isaiah 43:2-3 CEB

² *When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; when through the rivers, they won't sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you won't be scorched and flame won't burn you. ³ I am the LORD your God, the holy one of Israel, your savior. I have given Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in your place.*

Luke 2:10-11 CEB

¹⁰ The angel said, *"Don't be afraid! Look! I bring good news to you - wonderful, joyous news for all people. ¹¹ Your savior is born today in David's city. He is Christ the Lord."*

Isaiah 9:6-7 CEB

A child is born to us, a son is given to us, and authority will be on his shoulders. He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be vast authority and endless peace for David's throne and for his kingdom, establishing and sustaining it with justice and righteousness now and forever. The zeal of the Lord of heavenly forces will do this.

Opportunity to Give

***Closing Song *People Look East* UMH #202**

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THIS WEEK ^{at} GLANCE



Sunday December 14, 2025

9:00 am Worship
10:00 am Coffee Bistro
10:15 am Sunday School, Small Groups, 365 Bible
11:15 am Charge Conference
2:00 pm Tabitha Circle Christmas Party

Monday December 15, 2025

9:30 am GTP Christmas Party
7:00 pm AA Meeting

Tuesday December 16, 2025

2:00 pm Merry Mat Makers (NOTE NEW TIME)

Wednesday December 17, 2025

7:00 pm Choir Practice
7:00 pm AA Meeting

Thursday December 18, 2025

9:30 am UWF Book Club
10:00 am Sarah Circle

Friday December 19, 2025

Saturday December 20, 2025

9:00 am Men's Group
1:00 pm Cookie Walk

Sunday December 21, 2025

9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Sunday School, Small Groups
3:00 pm Blue Christmas Service

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