

HEARTLAND



A GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH

ULYSSES, KANSAS

DECEMBER 2023

The Lord continues to amaze us with His works in the Heartland Faith Church family. We hope all of you felt the same warmth and love that we experienced at the recent Hanging of the Greens. Our new church home looks beautiful for the advent season. It's moments like these that remind us of how blessed we are to be part of such a wonderful church family.

Don't forget to mark your calendars and make time to attend the upcoming events this month. The Christmas party and Caroling / Hayride are for everyone. Let's make unforgettable memories as a church family. We encourage you to also invite your friends and family! Events details are located on our <u>Facebook page</u> – please share and invite.







Giving: Thank you for giving to the Lord. We collect tithe for Heartland Faith during worship services. You can also mail giving to:

Heartland Faith Church

PO Box 192, Ulysses, KS 67880



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Worship Calendar

Sunday, December 10 at 9:30am Sermon by Peggy Alford

Sunday, December 17 at 9:30am Sermon by Clayetta Wise

Sunday, December 24 at 5:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Sermon by Minister Warren Baldwin

Sunday, December 31 at 9:30am Sermon by Mason Bennett

Location: Heartland Faith Church 220 N. Simpson | Ulysses, KS 67880



Special Events

Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30pm Church Family Christmas Party Christmas BINGO, Hot cocoa bar and popcorn. Wear your Christmas sweater Christmas paigr

Wear your Christmas sweater, Christmas pajamas or something festive. Donations for BINGO prizes will be gratefully received.

Sunday, December 17 at 4:30pm Church Family Christmas Caroling & Hay Ride Dress warmly and bring some cozy blankets. After our caroling, we'll head back to the church to enjoy some delicious hot cocoa together. If you have suggestions on where we should spread the joys of caroling, please reach out to Paige Kratzer at 620-397-3338.

Sunday, December 31 - following worship Charge Council; all are welcome

Prayer Requests: We want to pray for you! Feel free to email prayer requests to heartlandfaithchurch@gmail.com or you can text Kelley Baker at 620-353-8202.



HEARTLAND FAITH START-UP COMMITTEE REPORT SAVE THE DATE: CHARGE COUNCIL | DECEMBER 31, 2023

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 31, we will be having our first Charge Conference with Rev. Elizabeth Winger Young, who is the Presiding Elder of the Southwest Kansas District Heartland Provisional Conference Global Methodist Church. This conference will take place right after church, and we would love to see all our members there.

To prepare for the Charge Conference, we are in the process of establishing a budget for the upcoming 2024 fiscal year. Since our start in May 2023, we have been incredibly blessed with an average monthly giving of \$12,000. We cannot express enough gratitude for your generosity and support. This financial stability will go a long way in helping us achieve our mission and make a positive impact in our faithful missions.

We have begun the discernment process for finding a pastoral candidate who aligns with our values and beliefs. We have a couple of options on the table, including meeting with a potential candidate right here in our district. We're also exploring the possibility of sharing a pastor with a neighboring congregation. This could be a fantastic opportunity for collaboration and support, especially during this initial phase of building our church.

As we search for the right person, we kindly ask for your prayers. Let's ask God to guide us and bring forth a pastor who adheres to solid traditional/Biblical Christian teaching and preaching. Together, we can promote true Christian worship, bring others to faith in Jesus Christ, and support the growth and development of believers as they strive to live according to God's Word. Remember, we believe that the Bible is the inspired and infallible Word of God, and it is central to our mission and purpose. With your continued support and our collective commitment, we can make a real difference in our community. Thank you all again for your unwavering dedication. Let's keep moving forward together and shining God's light!

Blessings & Merry CHRISTmas,

Start-Up Committee



Heartland Faith Financial Report December 1, 2023

Beginning Balance 9.30.2023 \$110,261.24
October 2023 Offerings / Income \$13,278.00
October 2023 Expenses \$86,796.76
November 2023 Offerings / Income \$16,158.00
November 2023 Expenses \$4,063.16
Current Balance \$48,837.35



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Payables / Receivables: In the event that you have reimbursements or invoices we encourage mailing to our PO Box or contact Sarah Ledesma at 620-575-5634.

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Ministries

Children's & Youth

Wednesday Children's Group: 4pm - 5:45pm Heartland Faith (basement)

Wednesday Youth Group: 6pm - 7:45pm Heartland Faith (upstairs)

Note: We will be following the school schedule, which means we will not be meeting for the rest of December. However, don't worry, we'll be back in action starting January 10, 2024.

Adult Small Groups

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Tuesdays; Bible Questions led by Clayetta Wise 7pm at Heartland Faith (main floor)

Wednesdays; Drawing Near led by Javin Keaton 6pm at at Heartland Faith (main floor)

Sunday, we will be pass around a sign-up sheet for those interested in providing meals to the youth during our Wednesday night fellowship in 2024.

If you're interested in donating snacks for the children after school on Wednesdays, please reach out to Daena Gallegos at 620-353-0496.

Lastly, a big thank you to everyone who has already adopted items from our Angel Tree. If you haven't yet, please deliver the items to the church by December 17. Kelsie Hazlett can provide more details at 620-353-9048. Your generosity is truly appreciated.

Heartland Faith Ornaments

Our youth group is selling special porcelain Heartland Faith Christmas ornaments for \$15. It's a great way to support our youth and get into the holiday spirit. Make sure to order yours this Sunday before or after the service.