## Welcome to

Homestead Park

United Methodist Church

## Announcements







# Today 12/07/25 Communion

# Sunday 12/14/25 (following worship)



Bring your favorite potluck and join us for carols!



#### Wednesday 12/24/25 7pm



# All children and their adults are welcome!

Need a minute? Use our family lounge!



## All are welcome!

Sunday 11am (Prayer Room)

Prayer Meeting

Monday 930am (Fellowship Hall)

Tai Chi

Monday 630pm (Fellowship Hall)

**Cub Scouts** 



## All are welcome!

Monday 7 pm (4th Fl Annex Hall)

Boy Scouts

Tuesday 10am (Fellowship Hall)

Line Dancers

Tuesday 7pm (Fellowship Hall)

Just Recovery



## weekly All are welcome!

Friday 10am (Fellowship Hall)

Line Dancers

8:30 am (Fellowship Hall)

1st & 3rd Saturdays Homeless Ministry Packing and delivery

#### Other Announcements



# Opening Prayer

(unison)

(Please rise in body or spirit)

Jesus, as we prepare to welcome you again this Christmas, speak your words into our hearts and lives that

by our preparation for your birth, we might proclaim what still needs to be made ready if our world is to

#### become more like your kingdom. Soften our hearts, calm our fears, and give us courage to

# proclaim your coming in our broken world.

Amen.

## Cast to Worship

(unison)

(Please rise in body or spirit)

The Lord is holy and awesome and full of power! He sent his Son to earth to redeem each of us. Jesus came and

lived among us, dying that we might live. He returned to heaven, promising to return again. He will come

again in righteousness and holiness, bringing peace to all people. The Spirit of God lives with us now, moving and

breathing life into our souls. We wait expectantly for our King, our Ruler, our Savior.

## Lighting of the Advent Wreath



George and Cindy Stallard

## Hymn of Praise Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #196



### Come, thou long expected Jesus, Born to set thy people free

#### From our fears and sins release us, Let us find our rest in thee

Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth thou art

### Dear desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart

### Born thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a King,

Born to reign in us forever, Now thy gracious kingdom bring

#### By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone

by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne

# Children's Message



## Presentation of



## Our Tithes

and Offerings

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#### Doxology

## Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #95



Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye, heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Prayer of Dedication

(Please rise in body or spirit)

## Second Sunday

## Our Time of Prayer



# Second Sunday

# 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### Hymn

# Glory be to the Father #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

### Second Sunday

#### Our Scripture

Mark 1: 1-8 MIV

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, <sup>2</sup> as it is written in Isaiah the

prophet: "I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way" 3 "a voice of one

calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him." 4 And so

John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the

forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup> The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him.

Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. <sup>6</sup> John wore clothing made of

camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup> And this was

his message: "After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals am not

worthy to stoop down and untie. 8 I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

### Message

## Oddness for Jesus!

Pastor Don Kephart

### Holy Communion

### Invitation

(responsive)

Pastor: May you know the God of comfort is with VOU.

All: And may we see the God of hope with you.

# Pastor: Open wide are anxious hearts!

All: We opened them to God's peace.

Pastor: Let us give thanks and share our joy. All: In this space and time, we offer God our love and praise.

## Second Sunday

## Holy Communion



#### Song of Dedication

# What Child Is

This #219

(Please rise in body or spirit)

What child is this who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?

### Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

### Why lies he in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding?

## Good Christians, fear, for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, come, peasant, king, to own him

the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

# Second Sunday Benediction



# Thank you for joining us in worship!