

DECEMBER 10, 2017

10:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Congregation stand as able.*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship

“Glorious Jesus”

DUMC Choir

*** Opening Praise**

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

#230

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

*** Congregational Fellowship**

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

#895

Offering

Offertory

“Advent Garden”

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*** Scripture**

Mark 1:1-8

Sermon

“Losing Our Minds”

Rev. Steve Autrey

*** Closing Worship**

“What Child Is This ”

#219

*** Benediction**

Postlude

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary in honor of
Bobby and Frances Howard’s 64th anniversary

Leading Worship Today:

Rev. Steve Autrey, Senior Pastor

Rev. Anita Sain, Associate Pastor

Adam Rose, Director of Worship Arts

David Adams, Associate Director of Worship Arts

Dates to Remember

December 10	Children's Christmas Play
December 11/12	MOPS
December 17	Christmas Cantata
December 24	Christmas Eve Services: We will have ONE worship service Christmas Eve morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center. We will also have 3 candlelight services on Christmas Eve at 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., and 11:00 p.m.
December 31	ONE New Year's Eve Service - 10:00 a.m. in the FLC Gym
January 31	Belize Mission Trip 2018 - Signups for the Belize Mission Trip for 2018 are now being accepted by contacting Robert Popoff at robert.popoff@lfc-west.com . The dates of the trip this year will be June 17-24. Approximate cost will be \$1500.00 and a deposit of \$250.00 is required by January 31. For more information about the trip, you can contact Robert or attend an information meeting which will be scheduled in early January.
February 3	Couples Connection Retreat Weekend - Friday, February 3: 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday, February 4: 9:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Vesuvius Vineyards, Iron Station; Cost: \$225.00 (meals included) Questions: Contact: Julie Fleck (jfleck@agapecentercounseling.com) or Anita Sain (anita.sain@denverumc.org)

Worship Notes

TOTAL Received in 2017 = \$1,011,656

TOTAL Budget for 2017 = \$1,059,848

Budget Offerings Received in December = \$36,944

Budget Offerings Goal for December = \$162,108

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"A Harbor of Hope in a Chaotic World"

Welcome Guests!

We've got a special gift for you!

Please visit one of our Welcome Centers, located in the Main Sanctuary Narthex or the Family Life Center Lobby.



On the way to celebrating Christmas, we can easily miss Christ. Buying, getting, and consuming dominate the holiday season and obscure why we are celebrating in the first place. Today is the second week in our series called "Simple xmas" that is meant to draw our attention away from all the distractions of our culture and refocus our vision upon what Christ is doing in our midst.



Children's Christmas Play | TODAY at 5:00 p.m. | Sanctuary.

Grab your dark shades and go undercover to join the exciting Christmas mission of "We Three Spies". Agents E, L and F are recruits with the CIK (Christmas Intelligence Kids), a covert group of spies who secretly bring Christmas cheer to the needy. But this year they're facing an especially difficult challenge: keeping Ms. Harriet King, a Scrooge-like landlord, from evicting them from their headquarters, confiscating donations, and cancelling their Christmas Nativity program. Admission is free.



Feeling the holiday rush already? Please take a moment to bring some joy into the lives of our shut-ins. Christmas bags for these special members of our church will be available at the Mission Center December 10-17. We're hoping to fill the bags with cards, candy and small mementos of the season to let them know that their church family is thinking of them. Contact Judy Martin at gmaladyjudy@gmail.com if you have questions

This Week's Activities

For a full listing of calendar events, visit our website at <http://www.denverumc.org/calendar>.

Sunday, December 10th

5:00 p.m. Christmas Play - Sanctuary

6:00 p.m. Youth

Monday, December 11th

9:00 a.m. Ladies Sewing group - CORC

12:00 p.m. Christian Chair Yoga - CORC

6:30 p.m. Card night - Welcome Center

6:30 p.m. Monday Evening Men's group - FLC 204

6:30 p.m. MOPS (Twilight) - Family Life Center Gym

Tuesday, December 12th

9:00 a.m. MOPS (Daytime) - Family Life Center Gym

6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry - WAB 101

6:30 p.m. That the World May Know Bible study - FLC 204

Wednesday, December 13th

9:00 a.m. LKN Piecemakers - CORC

7:00 P.M. Finance Committee meeting - CORC

7:00 p.m. Strickland LifeGroup - WAB 101

6:45 p.m. Choir Practice - Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. JOY Movie Night - The Terraces Clubhouse

7:30 p.m. Praise Band Rehearsal - FLC Gym

Thursday, December 14th

9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - WAB 101

11:00 a.m. JOY Monthly Meeting - CORC

Friday, December 15th

6:30 a.m. Friday Men's group - WAB 101

7:00 a.m. Friday Men's group - Stacy's

The Life of Our Church

Sympathy to the family of Gary Setzer, who passed away on December 3rd.

MOPS and MOMSnext | Dec. 11th at 6:30 p.m., and Dec. 12th at 9:00 a.m. | Family Life Center. We're having a big 'ol cookie exchange at our December meeting! We will also be Putting Ourselves First in the middle of this crazy holiday season. Both meetings are in the FLC. For more information contact Jamie Sidler at (704) 914-6673 or jsidler07@hotmail.com.



JOY (Just Older Youth) Movie Night | Dec. 13, 7:00 p.m. | The Terraces Clubhouse. Feature movie is "The Young Messiah". PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE DUE TO HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AT THE TERRACES.

JOY (Just Older Youth) Christmas Luncheon | Dec. 14, 11:00 a.m. | CORC. Put on your holiday outfit and join Just Older Youth for their Christmas luncheon and entertainment at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 14 in the CORC. Cynthia Jones and the Dulcimer Girls along with Adam Rose will entertain us with a variety of holiday music. Roasted pork loin and country style steak will be provided. Members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert serving 10.

Christmas Musical "Born Is The King - It's Christmas!" | December 17th at the 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. services | Sanctuary. Come experience the wonder and joy of the season as we rejoice and praise the coming of our King! This multi-generational musical is for all ages, young and old.



Hope came down to save us. The mystery of love born in a child. Peace personified. He alone deserves our admiration and worship. Born is the king, it's Christmas!

2018 Estimate of Giving cards are still available in the hallway to the left of the Sanctuary and in the FLC foyer. These may be placed in the offering plate. Giving envelopes are available for your privacy. Thank you!

