

We enter the sanctuary in quiet meditation as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship

PRELUDE

GREETING

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***OPENING SONGS** “Gather Us In” No. 2236
“Open Our Eyes, Lord” No. 2086

CHILDREN’S TIME

PSALM 80 No. 801

SPECIAL MUSIC “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” Choir

TIME OF PRAYER – Joys and Concerns

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. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.



You are invited to come to the sand table during worship to light a candle or kneel in prayer as the Spirit leads you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY** “Give Thanks” No. 2036

***HYMN** “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” No. 196

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

MESSAGE “From Shadow to Light” Deborah Schmidt

***CLOSING HYMN** “Soon and Very Soon” No. 706

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE MUSIC**

*Please stand as the Spirit leads you, or sit if you are more comfortable. Hearing assistance devices are available – please ask an usher for one.

If you must leave the sanctuary during worship, please exit through the side doors as they are much quieter. Thank you!

Liturgist: Alita Phelps

Fellowship: Daryl Hamilton & Dianne Grove

THIS WEEK

TODAY: Sunday school after Children's Time, Adult Bible class 9:15

MONDAY: "Knit-Wits" knitting class 3-5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: UMYF 6:00 p.m., food provided.

THURSDAY: Bulletin announcement deadline 5:00 p.m.

Flowers are provided by Michelle McDowell in honor of their 30th Anniversary

UMW is in the planning stages of a "**Food for the Holidays**" program. The goal is to supply children in need with wholesome food to take home for the long Christmas break. More details to come! Questions? Contact Michelle McDowell at 862-6046.

We are looking for a nursery caregiver to replace Kim Kinsella. Kim has so lovingly taken care of all our nursery children over the last year, and we will miss her. If you are interested, please contact Andrea or Erik Schroeder or Michelle Wharton.

There will be a **New Member Class** offered tomorrow, Nov. 28th from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. We will also be hanging the greens. Join us!



Prayer Calendar for Nov. 27th

The Student Sunday offering provides scholarships to Yellowstone and other students attending UM institutions of higher education.

Don't forget Parent's Night Out this Wednesday, Nov. 30th from 6-8 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 28 – New Member class 5 – 8 p.m.
Hanging of the Greens

Dec. 8 - John Floridis Winter Concert

Dec. 15 – Church Conference

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Services at 5:00 & 9:00 p.m.

All ladies are welcome to the **UMW Christmas Party** at Dick & Diane Wards on Dec. 1. Please bring some canned goods for the Whitefish Food Bank and meet at the church at 12:30 to car pool to the Ward home. RSVP's help us plan for our light lunch and dessert.



*Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
The People of the United Methodist Church*

The Whitefish United Methodist Church Welcomes You!

November 27, 2011

First Sunday of Advent



1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.



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