

# The Monday Memo

Federated Church members look at the week ahead

Week of December 11, 2016

The blind are now able to see, and the lame can walk. People with leprosy are being healed, and the deaf can hear. The dead are raised to live, and the poor are hearing the good news. MATTHEW 11:5 (CEV)

Lord Jesus, give us joy as we wait for you in faith and hope. Amen

## Last week — In review

**Youth Group:** The Sr High Youth Group and residents of the Village Co-op shared Christmas carols, fun trivia, and Christmas treats with one another on Wednesday evening. This is a Christmas tradition that both the youth and the co-op residents look forward to every year!

**December 11, 2016:** Sunday was the 3rd Sunday in Advent; we lit the Joy candle at both the 9am & 11am services. Addison Jo, daughter of Grant & Mariah Davenport, was baptized at the 9am worship service. Pastor Doug preached a sermon entitled *The Name Game*, with a scripture focus of Isaiah 9:2-7 and Matthew 1:18-25. To read a copy of the sermon, visit the church website, or contact the church office for a hard copy.

**December 18, 2016:** It's a one service Sunday this week - Worship at 10am, Coffee Hour at 11am. The Kids Club and Sunday School kids have been working hard on this year's Christmas Pageant! Come see the Christmas story told through the children this Sunday at 10am.

## This week — Looking ahead

**Youth Group:** Sr Highers will be participating in a Blessing Scavenger Hunt during Youth Group this Wednesday. Everyone had a blast doing it last year, and are excited to participate in it again this year!

**Christmas Pageant:** There will be a short Christmas pageant rehearsal this Saturday morning at 9am.

**Blue Christmas:** Wednesday, December 21 at 7pm at The Federated Church. The Blue Christmas service is intended to be a time of solace for anyone who, for whatever reason, may struggle to have a merry Christmas. Heather Rundquist will be sharing her story.

**Lessons & Carols:** We need several readers for the Lessons & Carols service at 5pm on Christmas Eve. If you would like to be a reader, please contact the church office.

**Christmas Eve services:** 5pm Lessons & Carols; 6pm Potluck Supper; 11pm Candlelight & Communion. Join us!

## Prayer requests

In addition to the people on our prayer list, please remember:

If you have a prayer request, please notify the church office.

## Weekly Calendar

### MONDAY (12/12)

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

### TUESDAY (12/13)

9:00am Parish Nurse  
10:00am Ladies Coffee Hour  
6:30pm Ministry Nite

### WEDNESDAY (12/14)

3:30pm Pageant Rehearsal  
4:00pm 7th/8th Confirmation  
5:00pm Jr High Youth Group  
5:30pm Praise Band  
6:00pm Bell Rehearsal  
6:30pm 9th Confirmation  
7:30pm Sr. High Youth Group  
7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY (12/15)

*Newsletter Deadline*  
6:30pm D&E Meeting

### SATURDAY (12/17)

9:00am Pageant Rehearsal

### SUNDAY (12/18)

10:00am Worship  
Christmas Pageant  
11:00am Coffee Hour



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