

The Monday Memo

Federated Church members look at the week ahead

Week of November 27, 2016

Jesus said, "Always be ready! You don't know when the Son of Man will come." MATTHEW 24:44 (CEV)

May the promise of Christ's return fill you with hope and courage. May your faith burn bright each and every day.

Last week — In review

The memorial service for Laurie Hansen was on Tuesday. Please continue to remember Bob and family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of Laurie.

November 27, 2016: Yesterday began the season of Advent. Pastor Doug preached on Malachi 2:17-3:5 and Luke 1:67-79, a sermon entitled *The Terror of Advent*. To read a copy of the sermon, please visit the website or contact the church office for a hard copy.

December 4, 2016: This second Sunday of Advent is also Communion Sunday; communion will be celebrated at both the 9am and the 11am service. Pastor Doug will be preaching *Impatient for Jesus*, based on Isaiah 7:13-14 and James 5:7-10. The parish nurses will be offering blood pressure checks in the library during coffee hour. Following the worship services, First Sunday Bible Study will meet in the fellowship hall for lunch and discussion. The topic this Sunday is The Gift of Friendship. All are welcome!

This week — Looking ahead

Christmas Cantata: Federated Church Christmas Cantata "Go Sing It on the Mountain" is this Saturday, Dec. 3 at 4pm. This year's cantata is rooted in folk-tune type music by Pepper Choplin. The program runs about 45 minutes with refreshments provided following the concert. The performance concludes with the singing of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" and those in the audience will be invited to join the choir. Free and open to the public.

Advent readers: We need several individuals or families to be readers during the Advent candle lighting on Sunday mornings and several readers for the 5pm Lessons & Carols service on Christmas Eve. **We still have an opening for the 11am service this Sunday.** If you would like to be a reader, please contact the church office.

The Audit task force will be meeting tomorrow night at 6:30pm.

Poinsettias: If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, please contact the church office, or fill out the form found in the Sunday bulletin. The cost is \$15; make checks out to *The Federated Church* with *Poinsettia* on the memo line. Orders are due Dec. 9th.

Prayer requests

In addition to the people on our prayer list, please remember: Duane Rose on the death of his sister, Lavonne.

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

Weekly Calendar

MONDAY (11/28)

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY (11/29)

10:00am Ladies Coffee Hour

6:30pm Audit Task Force mtg

WEDNESDAY (11/30)

3:30pm Pageant Rehearsal

4:00pm 7th/8th Confirmation

5:00pm Jr High Youth Group

6:00pm Praise Band

6:00pm Bell Rehearsal

6:30pm 9th Confirmation

7:30pm Sr. High Youth Group

7:30pm Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY (12/1)

9:00am Parish Nurse

10:30am Women's Bible Study

2:00pm United Way Backpack Program

SATURDAY (12/3)

4:00pm Christmas Cantata

SUNDAY (12/4) Communion Sunday

9:00am Contemporary Worship

9:45am Sunday School

10:00am Adult Sunday School

10:00am Coffee Hour

10:00am Blood Pressure Checks

11:00am Traditional Worship

Noon First Sunday Bible Study



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