

Order of Worship

9:00 a.m. Live Stream and In-Person Worship Service

(\*Please stand if you are able.)

Prelude O Come, O Come, Emmanuel McCabe

Greetings & Announcements

\*Call to Worship Luann Ingram

L: Come, let's go together to God's Mountain.

P: A mountain of God's glory and peace.

L: Let's prepare for Christ's arrival.

P: The birth of the prince of peace.

L: Come, let's worship the Spirit of love.

P: Clothed in Christ's love, we are ready to worship and pray.

Lighting of the Advent Candle Madeline Brown & Johana Lopez

L: "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" (Ps. 122:1, NRSV).

Light the first candle, the candle of hope.

Isaiah 2:1-5, and Matthew 24:36-44

P: The house of the Lord is a holy, sacred, and safe space — a sanctuary. As Christians, we long to gather in the Lord's house, whether it's a church building, a tent, an open field, or online. To rest in God's presence is a wonderful gift.

L: Where is your holy, sacred, and safe space to encounter God? Where do you feel closest to God? What can you do to help those longing for a holy, sacred, and safe space to find it?

P: God of hope, help us to trust, watch, and be ready to encounter you in new places and in unexpected ways. Thank you for being our place of refuge and safety. Amen.

\*Song Now Thank We All Our God CH #788 (Ushers will collect prayer cards during the hymn)

Opening Prayer

Draw near to us, O God, even as we draw near to you. Open our hearts and our minds to your presence and wake us up from the sleep and inattention holding us back. Prepare us to receive your love, even as we prepare our lives to celebrate the joy of Christ's birth. In joyful hope, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading Romans 13:11-14 Luann Ingram

Choral Anthem Ceaseless Praise Hendon

Junior Church (for children up to 4th grade) Liz Bonner

Joys, Concerns and Prayers

Call to Giving

(Your giving to LUMC makes ministry possible in our community and around the world! Thank you! You can also give online at: <https://lansdaleumc.org/giving/> )

\*Song Of the Father's Love Begotten CH #240

\*Doxology Christmas Doxology

\*Offering Prayer

Old Testament Reading Psalm 122:1-9

Sermon Let Us Go to the House of the Lord Pastor Warner

\*Song The Majesty and Glory of Your Name CH #152

\*Sending and Blessing

\*Postlude Mary, Did You Know Mattea

Scifres, Mary; Beu, B.J. The Abingdon Worship Annual 2022. Abingdon Press. Kindle Edition. UMH – United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS – The Faith We Sing; W&S-Worship & Song, CH - Celebration Hymnal

WEEKLY UPDATES AND CHURCH NEWS

Family Hanging of the Greens and Light Luncheon

Everyone is invited to our annual Hanging of the Greens service followed by a light luncheon! Directly following our service on Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup>, we will join together to decorate our beautiful sanctuary. After this, we will head into Stringer Auditorium for a festive light luncheon and our traditional singing of the 12 Days of Christmas! All our welcome, make sure to bring friends and family, it will be very child friendly! Please sign up for this fun event so that we plan accordingly. Questions? Contact Maryellen Reinmiller 215-913-1666.



Fair Craft Thank You!

Thank you all who helped make the Craft Fair on Nov. 5 a success. Especially we want to thank the Soul Sisters and their spouses who helped with the set up and clean up. Thanks to all who helped in the kitchen and helped at our craft table. Total profits were \$818. Profits will go to global and local missions of the United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women). Thank you all for your support. Doris Shaedle and Nancy Silknitter.

Search For New Administrative Assistant

We are searching for a new Administrative Assistant. Please contact Pastor Warner if you or someone you know is interested in this position. We are also open to hiring someone short-term to work 3-4 days a week for 12-16 hours a week rather than the full 22 hours per week. Our primary concern is getting the Sunday bulletin, worship slides, and monthly newsletter done even while we are searching for a new person.

New Member Class

Pastor Warner will be holding a New Member class for people interested in joining here at LUMC sometime in Nov/Dec. Date will be worked out with group of people who are joining. Contact Pastor Warner if you would like to become a member here at LUMC.

Confirmation Class Interest Meeting

The next Confirmation Class for youth grades 7-12 will be held end of January 2023 through May 2023. Please let Pastor Warner know if your teen will be participating in Confirmation. Pastor will hold an introductory meeting in Nov/Dec for parents and youth as we learn who will be participating.

College/Vocation Student Care Packages

We have a number of students attending college or vocational schools and we would like to support them in their studies with a care package from the church. Maybe some school supplies, a gift certificate for Dunkin Donuts, some snack food and more. We need help in two ways:

- 1) Students and parents, we need address/contact info for college addresses so we can mail packages directly to students.
- 2) We have a team working on putting together these packages, They will be in touch with items you can donate and ways you can help.

Here is a form we need each student or parent to fill-in. Care packages will only be sent to students who send us a completed form/info.

College Student Contact Information

Student First & Last name:  
Year in School as of Sept 2022:  
Expected Graduation Year:  
Gender:  
Birthdate:  
Student's personal email:  
Student's parents' names:  
Name of college attending:  
Student's address at school or home if you are a commuter (address where care package should be sent)  
Street:  
City/State/Zip:

Email to [stewwarner@outlook.com](mailto:stewwarner@outlook.com) or mail to Pastor Warner, Student Care Packages, Lansdale UMC, 300 N. Broad St, Lansdale, PA 19446.

Christmas Caroling to Shut-ins

You are invited to join us on Sunday, December 11 at 4 pm as we Christmas Carol at various shut-in homes. We'll meet 4 pm at the church and then spend about a 1 1/2 hours traveling and singing carols for some of our shut-in who are no longer able to get out to attend worship. Let Pastor Warner know if you are planning to participate.





**Order Your Christmas Poinsettias**  
Forms are available for you to order your Christmas Poinsettias for Christmas Eve. These Poinsettias will be used to decorate the Sanctuary for our two Christmas Eve services (4 PM & 7 PM). Please return your order form along with your check by no later than December 9. Forms are available at the name tag table.



**Families Staying at LUMC**

We are working with Family Promise to house three families here at LUMC from November 1 through December 1. Family Promise works with many different churches to provide housing for families who are homeless and need some help getting back on their feet. These families are staying on the second floor of the education wing. Thank you to all the volunteers who are providing meals, rides, and more for the families. Special thanks to Bob & Cathy Kennedy and Richard Hardisty for coordinating this outreach.



**WAWA Coupons**  
Looking for an easy gift idea that never expires and is loved by everyone? Wawa coupons are your answer. LUMC's own United Methodist Women in Faith is selling Wawa coupons good for one "shorti". They are a great bargain and still just \$5.00 a piece! The profit from each sale goes to our mission budget which supports both local and global mission. Contact Maryellen Reinmiller at 215-913-1666 to place your order.

**New Church Directory for 2023**

We are working on publishing an updated church directory for 2023. Please help us confirm your family information. Family info forms are available on the Name Tag table at church. You can also email the church office to have a form emailed to you. Please fill-in the form for your family and return on or before December 15. We will use these forms to confirm or edit information in the current church directory. We would like to include members and regular attendees even if you aren't a member. Our goal is to publish a new directory and have it available for pickup by the end of January 2023. Thank you ahead of time for helping us update the church directory.

**Joys and Concerns requests from 11/20/2022**

- Michelle Johnson – Rosemarie-comfort-recent death of husband  
Continued prayers for my boss as she grieves death of her brother.
- Madeline Brown – Awakening | Prayers for my son Pete and grandson Sean who are running the full Marathon in Philadelphia this morning.
- Warren Shaedle in Doylestown hospital – pneumonia | Jack | Father-in-law Bob in his grief.
- Kimbely Paris – Please pray for Alison Massaro who recently lost her husband 50 years old to brain cancer.
- Joanne Jacoby – Continued prayers for the people in Ukraine | Prayers for those recovering from Ian's devastation.
- Brenda – Aunt Claire Hospital.

This Week at LUMC		
Sun 11/27	9 AM 10 AM	<b>Advent 1</b> Worship (Online and Sanctuary) Sunday School all ages
Tue 11/29	7 PM	NA Meeting
Wed 11/30	6 PM	Brownies
Thu 12/1	6:30 PM 7 PM 6:45 PM 7 PM	D.S. & SPR Charge Conference Choir practice NA Meeting
Fri 12/2		<i>Pastor's Day Off</i>

**Lay Readers**

Nov 20 – Michele Dasch  
Nov 27 – Luann Ingram  
Dec 4 – Alex Holnick  
Dec 11 – Luann Ingram  
Dec 18 – Michelle Johnson

**This Week's Ushers**

Barry McGuire, Neil Hagenbuch, Bob Kennedy, Alan Dickel.

**January Circuit Rider Newsletter**

Watch the Sunday bulletin for information and announcements. Please email your announcements to [office@lansdaleumc.org](mailto:office@lansdaleumc.org) by December 15<sup>th</sup> in order for them to be published in the December Circuit Rider.

**Prayer Chain**

Janet Harper is coordinating the LUMC Prayer Chain You can email ([harperjanetk6@gmail.com](mailto:harperjanetk6@gmail.com)) or call (215-699-3026) her if you have something you would like added to the LUMC Prayer chain.

**Weekly Bulletin Announcements**

If you have an announcement for the weekly bulletin, please e-mail it to the church office [office@lansdaleumc.org](mailto:office@lansdaleumc.org) no later than 9 am Tuesdays.

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<b>Leadership</b> Paul Bonner – Lay Leader Kris Neild – Church Council Chair Darren Johnson – Treasurer Bob Kennedy – Trustee President Michelle Johnson – Staff Parish Relations Chair	<b>Staff</b> Karima Saddiq - Administrative Assistant (temp) Liz Bonner – Director of Christian Education Rays Koshy – Music Director Ruth Rineer – Organist Paul Bonner – Custodian Donna Fritz – Nursery Attendant

**Lansdale United Methodist Church**  
November 27, 2022  
9 AM

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent*



**Message**

***Let Us Go to the House of the Lord***  
**Psalm 122:1-9**

**Our Mission**

*Praising God • Making Disciples • Serving All*

Join us for online worship!  
Livestreamed on Sundays at 9 am

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