

# Welcome to Solon United Methodist Church!

*To live as a congregation in which the love of God abides*

## Prelude

**Opening Music**      *Angels We Have Heard On High*      Celebration Bells

## Welcome

**Mission Moment**      *Neighbor Helping Neighbor*      Nancy Worrell

**Light for the Journey –Advent Candle Reading and Lighting**      The Allen Family

**Song**      *O Little Town of Bethlehem*      UMH 230 v. 1

## Reading, then;

Leader: The journey continues, and this candle will help light our way.

**People: We are on our way to more peace.**

Leader: Life is full of expectations and waiting for the right time, the right answer, the right opportunity.

**People: We are a people who wait for Good News.**

Leader: It is hard to wait, but there are milestone moments when we get a glimpse of what true peace feels like.

**People: God's light goes before us, we are not alone.**

**Sing**      *"We're on Our Way"*      Insert

## The Children Travel with the Kings

**\*Song**      *O Come O Come Emmanuel*      UMH 211 v. 1 & 2

## \*Opening Prayer and Passing of the Peace

**Special Music**      *Christmas Lullaby*      Celebration Bells

## Time of Prayer

*Gathering of Joys and Concerns*

*Silent Prayer*

*Pastoral Prayer*

*Lord's Prayer*

**Song of Prayer**      *Come Thou Long Expected Jesus*      UMH 196

**Scripture Reading**      *Romans 12:9-18*      Pew Bible pg. 56, NT  
   *Luke 1:5-17*      Pew Bible pg. 162, NT

Song Book Legend: UMH—United Methodist Hymnal    W & S—Worship & Song    TFWS—The Faith We Sing

**Message**      *Jerusalem: A Place of Waiting*      Rev. Peggy Garrigues

**Offering**      *God Almighty We Are Waiting*      W & S 3047

**Praise God for these Gifts –Advent**      Projected

## Prayer of Thanks

**\*Closing Song**      *The King of Glory Comes*      TFWS 2091

## Announcements for Living Out Our Mission

**\*Benediction**      *Followed by swag response*      Projected

## Postlude

*\*Please stand if you are able*

## Prayer Requests

*If you would like your prayer request shared with the congregation in next week's bulletin, please fill out the prayer card, or send a note to the church office. If you do not want it shared with the congregation or listed in the bulletin, simply check the box.*

### Prayers for

Ruth Spieker's daughter-in-law's sister, Allison, suffered a stroke.

Wilbur's nephew is in the hospital with gangrene.

Grandpa Vollbrecht, Steve Vollbrecht's dad, will be having heart surgery this week.

Prayers for the family of Phil Kakacek's cousin Brent who passed away.

Prayers for the family of Mike Eichler who passed away on Thursday.

Prayers for husband Travis and the family of Kari Haugse, one of the owners of Good Vibes, who passed away on Thursday.

Construction workers laid off because of cold weather, and their families.

Prayers for all the places in the world where there is war, violence, hunger, fear, and poverty.

Prayers for all who are experiencing stress or grief in this holiday season.

Leaders in our congregation.

Our District Superintendent, Rev. Brian Oliver.

Our Bishop Kennetha Bigham-Tsai.

Ministry of the other UM churches in our Iowa City area circuit.

### Joys & Celebrations

Confirmation students and adults were warmly received at New Creations International Church last Sunday.

Opportunity that many had to gather with family and friends over Thanksgiving holiday.



*Altar flowers provided by The Gordon Family  
In Memory of Grandpa John*

## SUMC Calendar of Events

### Sunday, December 8

Message: *Jerusalem: A Place of Waiting*  
by Rev. Peggy Garrigues  
Worship, 9:00 AM—Sanctuary  
Sunday School, 9:00 AM, LL  
Adult Sunday School, 10:20 AM, FLC LL

### Monday, December 9

Food Pantry, LL (2:00PM)  
Advent Study, 5:30 PM, FH

### Tuesday, December 10

Senior Coffee Group, FH, 9-11AM  
Worship at Solon Care Center, 9:30AM

### Wednesday, December 11

Coffee Connection, FH, 9:00 AM  
Senior Dining, FH, 11:30 AM  
Family Meal, FH, 5:30 PM  
Cocoa and Carols, S/FH, 6:15 PM  
Chancel Choir, S, 7:15 PM

### Thursday, December 12

AA Meeting, LL, 7PM

### Friday, December 13

### Saturday, December 14

UM Men's Group, FH, 6AM

## Bulletin Announcements

(\* Indicates New or Updated Items)

Today is the last day to donate to Toys for Tots! Donations of new, unwrapped toys can be placed in the box in the narthex through the end of the day today. Suggested toy list is located on the table next to the box. Thank you for your generosity.

This Wednesday will be Cocoa and Carols after the Wednesday dinner. We will gather beginning around 6:15 in the sanctuary to sing requests for Christmas Carols, then you are invited to stay to drink cocoa and frost and eat Christmas cookies after we finish singing.

Please come to the Fellowship Hall after the service for refreshments and conversation!

## Worship Volunteers

### Sunday December 8th

Lay Reader: Keela Herr  
Greeter/Usher (s): Nadine Sojka  
Acolyte (s): Max Allen  
Madelyn Moses  
Fellowship: Erharts  
AV Volunteers:

*See the clipboard to sign up to volunteer!*

Pastor Peggy will be working in Solon on Mondays through Thursdays. Since she will sometimes be making visits, be at meetings, or may start at different times depending on when she has an evening meeting, please call, text, or email ahead to make a specific appointment to see her.

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## SUMC Staff

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**December 8, 2024**  
**9:00 AM**