

# e-news of Faith

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## Week of December 6, 2023

Faith UMC Eyota presents a weekly e-news to keep you informed about what is happening at Faith and ways to keep growing in faith. If you have anything to add, please e-mail the church office and we will include your event or information.

**Wednesday, December 6**

11:00 a.m.  
5:30 p.m.  
7:15 p.m.

**SENIORS TOGETHER**  
Confirmation  
Midweek Meditation on FB

**Thursday, December 7.**

9:30 a.m.  
9:00 – noon

**Advent Book Study Begins**  
Office hours

**Sunday, December 10**

8:45 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.

**Faith Ringers Practice**  
**Worship & Faith Kids Class**  
**BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS**

**Tuesday, December 12**

9:00 – 1:00p

**Office Hours**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SENIORS TOGETHER ON WEDNESDAY!** Join together on Wednesday with others for a meal, conversation, games and more at Seniors Together! Invite your friends. This event is the first Wednesday of each month and the time is 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. ALL are welcome!

**BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS SUNDAY** - To help remember whose birth we celebrate, and to help babies in crisis, we will have a baby shower for Jesus after worship! All items purchased for the event will go to the **Crisis Nursery**. The wish list includes: Diapers, Formula, Baby Food, Wipes, Diaper Cream, Onesies, Cloths and **Gift Cards** for Gas Stations, Walmart, Target. EVERYONE is invited to attend to learn more about Christmas and enjoy the fellowship. This is one of our December missions.

**ADVENT BOOK STUDY CONTINUES** – The Advent study of *All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas* continues on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. The book is written by a group of Wesleyan scholars who will take you on an Advent journey guided by the practices in John Wesley's means of grace. Readers will look at preparing the way for God, the impact and significance of prayer, the substance of good works and caring for others, and sharing God's mission to the world. Even if you missed the first session please join us.

**HAT, SCARF AND MITTEN TREE** – The hat, scarf and mitten tree is up and waiting for contributions! The tree is in the fellowship hall downstairs. These items will be taken to the Dover-Eyota schools for use by the students. Any items left over will be given to the Salvation Army in Rochester for their program working with the homeless.

**POINSETTIAS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE** – If you would like to help decorate the church for Christmas Eve and celebrate the event through flowers, we have a limited amount of **RED** poinsettias for purchase at \$14 each. They are 6.5" pots, single stem, and are coming from Flowers By Jerry in Rochester. To order your poinsettia, sign up during worship, call the church office, or talk to Irene Vehrenkamp.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** – Do you have a card you would like to share with our church family? Bring it in or mail it to Faith, and we will have it displayed on the boards and card tree at church to send greetings to all.

**CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE** – We still have time before Christmas, but since this is a unique year, we wanted to let you know about the schedule for Christmas Eve. CLARIFICATION: There will be TWO services on December 24<sup>th</sup> which is a Sunday this year. **Worship at 10:00 a.m. will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent.** For **Christmas Eve Faith UMC will have our service at 5:00 p.m.** This will be preceded by handbell and choir music beginning at 4:30 p.m.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS** – The church directories are available at church. If you need one mailed to you please let the church office know. Here are two corrections:

**Russ Jones email should be: russ.jones6860@yahoo.com**  
**Linda Whitcomb was inadvertently left out! Here information is:**  
**13331 40<sup>th</sup> Street, SE, Eyota 55934**

If something is incorrect with your directory listing please let us know!

## PRAYER & THANKSGIVING REQUESTS

- o Prayers for Russ Jones as he continues to have health issues. Prayers for strength and healing.
- o Continued prayers for Pam Littlefield who is still recovering from her accident. Thanksgiving she is now at home!
- o Prayers for Linda Whitcomb who is dealing with some serious health issues
- o Thanksgiving for Abby Jorgensen and friend who had a serious car accident and were not seriously hurt.
- o Prayers for all who are grieving during this holiday season.

## THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: ISAIAH 9:3-4

You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.

<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

***BLESSINGS FOR YOUR WEEK!***