

9:00 Worship

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH Rev. Ken Gies
Please record your attendance and pass the pad to your neighbor.

SONG OF PRAISE "A Strange Way to Save the World" Clark, Harris, Koch
 Marty & The Methodists

*HYMN OF PRAISE "People Look East" 202

*THE LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE
 Cindy & Jessica Cook; Lisa, Andrea and Sydnee Fitch

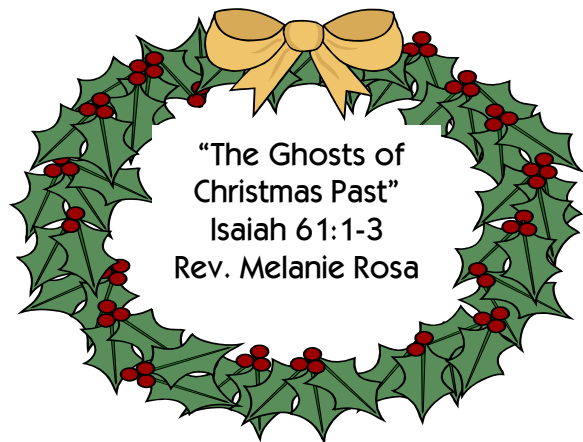
GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN Linda Cheek
*Loving Child Care is available for infants to age 3 in Room 103.
 Children's Church for ages 4 to Grade 2 is held in Room 13, downstairs.
 As the children leave we will sing "Jesus Loves the Little Children".*

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS Jim Marshall
When we receive freely and give generously, everyone is blessed.

OFFERTORY "Christmas Lullaby (I will Lead You Home)" G. Eaton
 Marty & The Methodists

*RESPONSE "Give Thanks" 2036



SPECIAL MUSIC "Amazing Grace – My Chains are Gone"
 Marty and The Methodists

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
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HYMN OF DEDICATION "Lift Up Your Heads" 213
At this time kids in grades 1-6 are invited to go downstairs for Faith Power! A really cool Sunday School. All other classes begin at 10:00.

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord"

Please join us in Great Hall for fellowship and refreshments.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TODAY

All classes meet from 10:00 until 10:50. Please see an Usher for locations.

Classes for Children and Youth:

- **Infants to Age 3** – Loving Nursery care in Room 103.
- **Age 3 through Kindergarten** - With Sandy Johnson in Room 104 (by the south stairs).
- **Grades 1 through 6** – FaithPower! Downstairs in Fellowship Hall.
- **Grades 7 through 12** – Gary Dyer & Jim Marshall in the Youth Room

Adult Classes:

"Simply Wait: Cultivating Stillness in the Season of Advent"

Join Dr. Melanie Rosa in the Parlor each Sunday for this wonderful Advent Study. We will examine Anticipation, Hope, Patience and Obedience. You Can drop in at any time.

Invitation to John – A Short Term Disciple Bible Study

This class, led by Bill Lafferty in the Conference Room, is following the Disciple Bible Study model of DVD presentation, reading and discussion as they delve deeply into the Gospel of John.

Coping as Christian Women

A Study and Support Group, led by Gayle Grimes in the classroom off Great Hall, is looking into the workbook "Coping as Christians" by Maxie Dunnam, and other resources.

Ongoing Adult Bible Study:

New members are always welcome for the Sunday morning Adult Bible Study, led by Jim Moore in Room 109. This group is looking into the book of Genesis.

Flowers for our Worship are given by John Pletcher in loving memory of Millie on the remembrance of her birthday today.

December Worship Schedule

- Dec. 9th – The Ghosts of Christmas Present
- Dec. 16th – The Ghosts of Christmas Future
- Dec. 23rd – The Music of Christmas
- Dec. 24th – 7:00 p.m. Candlelight Service
 9:00 p.m. Candlelight Service with Communion
- Dec. 30th – One Service at 9:00 a.m.

New Members will be received into our church family on Dec. 9th. If you would like to join at that time, please contact Ken Gies at krgies@comcast.net or the church office at 303-237-7768.

YOUTH

4:00-5:00 p.m. Silas
6:00-7:30 p.m. Advent Party

PRAYER CONCERNS: Health Concerns: Lucille DeArman, Stan Joy, Jacob Howser, Ruby Cavness, Joni Smith's father, Terrie Anderson.

If you have a Prayer Concern/Joy, please speak to one of the Pastors or call our Prayer Chain (Marabeth Dial @ 720-261-6633, or Jeanne Morse @303-986-2402) or the Church Office @303-237-7768.

The Sunday Flame

December 2, 2007

● Invite ● Inspire ● Involve



Advent Party – Today, 6:00-7:30 p.m. for all ages – Caroling, crafts, chili dinner and more! Bring a dessert to share and a friend.

We welcome the Ye Wanton Singers to our 11:00 service today. This fine a cappella group has been singing in the Denver area for 20 years. Thank you for sharing your music with us!

Holiday Sale in Great Hall today to benefit the Red Bird Mission and the Blue Feather Alliance (which serves the Pine Ridge Reservation). Check it out and help us support these missions.

Our Annual Charge Conference will be Tuesday, Dec. 11th, 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor. Following a delicious homemade dinner provided by Katie Vigil and Dona Henry, our District Superintendent will lead us in a time of worship, celebration and discerning. Call the church office at 303-237-7768 and let us know if you will be attending the dinner.

Sign up now in the hall to volunteer for the Interfaith Hospitality Network rotation Dec. 16th – 23rd at Wheat Ridge UMC. Many hands are needed to help with this program for homeless families.

Our **Christmas Giving Tree** is up in the Narthex through Dec. 16th. This year our Giving Tree will benefit Eiber Elementary School. Eiber serves 400 students in grades K-6. We will be buying coats, sweatshirts and some toys. Please take a tag – or two – off the tree and returned your unwrapped gift with the tag by December 16th.



A Cherub Choir for children ages 2-6 will sing during the services on Dec. 16th. The rehearsals are 9:00 a.m. on Dec. 8th and 15th. Plan now to bring your children to these rehearsals.

Senior Holiday Lunch – Dec. 12th, 12:00 Noon

This catered lunch will feature a program of holiday movies with Christmas carols in them. A freewill donation of \$5.00 per person is appreciated to offset the cost of the lunch. There will be a special Christmas gift from the church for all who attend. RSVP to Milly at 303-237-7768 by Dec. 7th.



The Dec. 9th, 7:30 p.m. Young Sinfonia Concert will feature our very own organist, Jim Ward, on our historic 27 rank Moller pipe Organ. Come and bring a friend to hear Jim and this professional level orchestra of young musicians perform. A freewill offering will be taken.

JUMMP Honey on sale today in Great Hall!

11:00 Worship

PRELUDE "The Coventry Carol" English Carol arr. Richard Rossi
Ye Wanton Singers

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*HYMN OF PRAISE "People Look East" 202

*RESPONSIVE ACT OF PRAISE (Response 1) 845

THE LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE The Mirabella Family

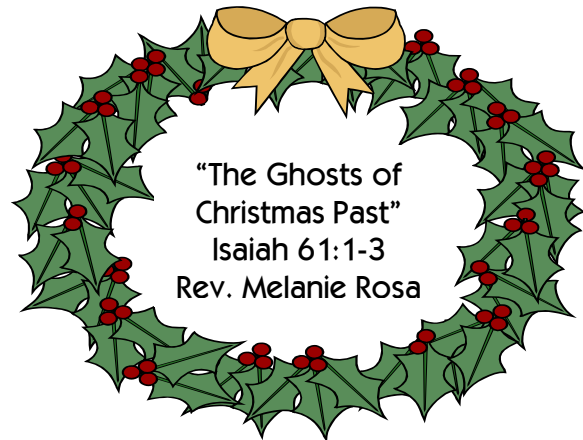
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ANTHEM "O Magnum Mysterium" Morten Lauridsen
Ye Wanton Singers

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS WITH OTHERS Julie Cicak
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OFFERTORY "At Midnight" French Carol arr. David Chase
Ye Wanton Singers

*RESPONSE "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 95



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MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"Il Est Ne Le Divin Enfant" French Carol
"Away in A Manger" arr. David L. Roberts
"Still, Still Still" Austrian Carol arr. Norman Luboff
Ye Wanton Singers

*HYMN OF DEDICATION "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" 211

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE "Hosanna To The Son of David" Thomas Weelkes

POSTLUDE "Exultation" James Mansfield
Jim Ward, Organist

Please join us in the Parlor for fellowship and refreshments.

OUR MINISTRY THIS WEEK

Sunday, December 2nd
8:30-11:00 Social Time
8:45-12:15 Child Care (Infant to age 3)
Room 103
9:00 Worship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School – All ages
11:00 Worship
12:00 Social Time – Parlor
12:00 Staff Meeting – Conf. Room
12:30 Brass Ensemble
4:00-5:00 Silas
6:00-7:30 Advent Party – All ages

Monday, December 3rd Ministry Teams
6:30 p.m. Evangelism Team
7:00 p.m. Education, Worship
Trustees and Missions

Tuesday, December 4th
8:45 a.m. Whitechapel Handbell Choir
9:00 a.m. Quilting
11:30 a.m. Rebecca Circle
6:30 p.m. Young Sinfonia

Wednesday, December 5th
7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast
12:00 Bulletin Deadline
12:00 Sarah Circle – M. Maxwell's
12:30 Ruth Circle - Parlor
6:30 p.m. Disciple
7:00 p.m. Marty & The Methodists

Thursday, December 6th
9:00 a.m. Disciple Class
9:30 a.m. Craft Class
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Saturday, December 8th
9:00 Cherub Choir Rehearsal
9:30 SOS Circle – C. Edwards

Craig Ridings has a wheelchair lift for stairs to give away. If you know someone who can use this, call Craig at 303-374-9089.

Great Gift Idea!

Get your grocery certificates/cards for Safeway and King Sooper before you do that Holiday grocery shopping. These make great gifts.

Plan now to bring a food item each time you come to church. The food item of the month of December for DenUM is pasta.

CDs of our service are available after the service in Great Hall. The cost is \$4.00.

Sign up now for Poinsettias for Christmas in the hall in Honor/memory of loved ones. The cost is \$10.00. Only 36 are available so sign up now.

During the winter months our recycling bin is moved next to the trash dumpster. You can recycle paper, glass and plastic in this bin. The aluminum can bin is in the same place.

The Flower Chart for 2008 is in the hall. Sign up now for flowers for our Worship in honor/memory/celebration of special events. Cost-\$35.00.

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Minister of Missions and Youth...Jim Marshall
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Director of Children's Ministries..... Linda Cheek
Director of MusicDavid Heck, Jr.
Organist.....Jim Ward
Marty and The Methodists.....David Heck, Jr., Al Hunter, Amy McKean,
April and Brent Nichols, Fred Rosa, Will Thomas and Jim Ward
Sound....Max Morse, Linda Lindholm and Terry Whitsel
Video Team..... John Tallerday, Jeff Ward and Gary Grimes
Head Ushers..... Frank Williamson and Mark Chandler
Coffee Hosts.....Staff Parish Relations Team



Lakewood United
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First Sunday
in Advent



“The Ghosts of Christmas Past”

December 2, 2007

We are delighted to have you with us for worship today. We have two worship services each Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00. Sunday School classes for all ages are offered at 10:00 and coffee, juice, and doughnuts are available in Great Hall.