

SONORA FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

11:00 Worship

4th Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024

PASTOR'S WELCOME

God is Good – **ALL THE TIME!**

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WELCOME TO ALL - Please be sure to sign the attendance register located in each pew.

If you are a visitor, please provide your mailing address so that we may send you a personal letter of welcome.

To reach Pastor Mark Brechin, please call (830) 931-1440.

CHURCH & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT SONG & LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

“Brechin Family”

UMH 211 (4)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Luke 1:46b - 55

My soul magnifies the Lord,

and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.

*OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. AMEN.

*HYMN OF JOY

“Joy to the World”

UMH 246

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UMH 883

OFFERING

USHERS and ACOLYTES

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

CENTERING SONG

“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”

UMH 204

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. AMEN.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Micah 5:2-5a

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 1:39-45

WITNESS TO GOD'S WORD

Rev. Mark Brechin

“Theotokos”

*HYMN OF FAITH

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

UMH 230

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

You are encouraged to consider God's calling upon your life. Should you desire to answer that call through membership in this congregation, please come forward as we sing...

*HYMN OF INVITATION

“Away in the Manger”

UMH 217

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Mark

*Stand, as able

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS – The Faith We Sing

Rev. Mark Brechin, Pastor

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

JESUS

12/25

Claire Jones

12/26

Al Elliott

12/27

**LONG-TERM
PRAYER REQUESTS**

Turney Friess

Bettye Hardegree

Cynthia Ward

Randy Murphy

Randy Slater

Penny Graves

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS – Dec. 22nd - Dec. 28th
(FUMC Events in Bold)**

SUN. 12/22

Sunday School @ 9:45
Worship @ 11

MON. 12/23

MDS & SISD Christmas Break

TUES. 12/24

Christmas Eve Service @ 6PM
SISD Christmas Break/Office Closed

WED. 12/25

Happy Birthday Jesus!
Merry Christmas
SISD Christmas Break/Office Closed

THURS. 12/26

SISD Christmas Break/Office Closed

FRI. 12/27

SISD Christmas Break/Office Closed
Lady Broncos@ Barksdale Tournament
Broncos @ Eden Tournament

SAT. 12/28

**** Reminders ****

December 23rd - January 6th
MDS - Christmas Break


December 24th - January 3rd
Church Office will be closed for the
Christmas Holidays

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