

The Union News

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DECEMBER 2025

Notes from Rev. Torri Vande Zande

Advent: The Season of Waiting! (Which I'm not very good at.)

The day after Thanksgiving was the time my family put up our Christmas tree every year. We had an artificial tree we would drag down from the second floor storage room and plop it down in the middle of the living room. We also had two or three large boxes packed with ornaments, garland, tinsel, and lights.

As we began to put up the tree, we worked together like a well-oiled machine. My mom would organize the branches, and I would put them in the long wooden stick. Once all the branches were in... well, not all the branches because one was missing... We moved on to filtering through the ornaments and deciding which ones we wanted on the tree that year. Meanwhile, my brother wrestled with untangling the lights and made sure all the bulbs worked. He hated this job and often cussed a lot. In the midst of the mess we would always manage to break one or two ornaments, throw out at least a half a dozen bulbs, and fight over whether or not we wanted the tree to "blink." Maybe "a well-oiled machine" aren't the right words to describe us.

In the end, empty boxes that once held all the decorations were littered throughout the house, and countless ornament hooks were lost in the carpet. It was a lot of work to get ready for Christmas! But in the midst of our mess... we were ready!

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Sunday Worship at 9:30 AM

Communion: First Sunday of Every Month

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Torri Vande Zande
Office Administrator	Linda Ottman
Secretary / Tech	Sabbastian Wilson-Webb
Bell Choir Director	Heidi Hoppe
Musicians	Sheryl Kaubisch Kathleen Millberg

LEADERSHIP

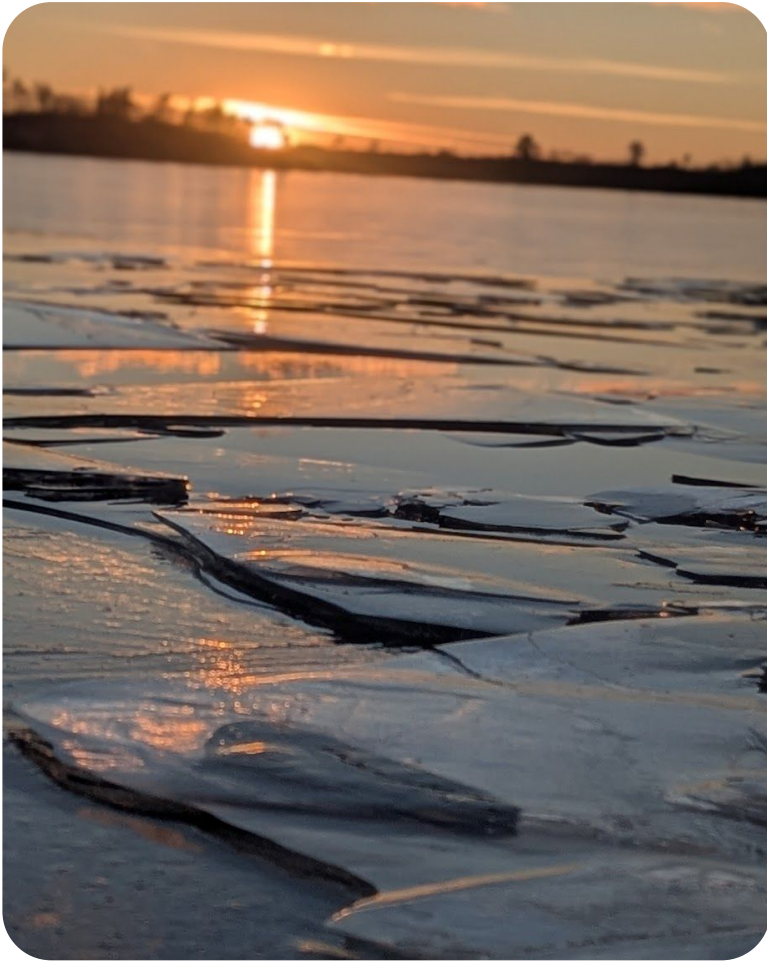
Moderator	Gunder Austin
Vice Moderator	John Lindberg
Clerk	Connie Johnson-Schmitt
Board of Financial Stewardship	Don Hoppe

MINISTRY TEAMS

Adult Learning	Linnea Dietrich
Congregational Life	TBD
Justice Ministry Team	Marilyn McKnight
Worship	Heidi Hoppe
Women’s Fellowship	Joni Kumpula
Men’s Fellowship	Mike Schmitt
Online Sales	Cindy Gulbrandson
Tech Team	Mike Schmitt
Outreach	Tammy Lindberg

BOARDS

Financial Board	Don Hoppe, Sheryl Kaubisch, Caryl Allan
Facilities Board	Mike Bohanon, Kerry Swenson
Personnel	Connie Johnson-Schmitt



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- December 10Grace Noonan
- December 12Michael Small
- December 14Charles Green
- December 15Verlee Cline
- December 17Angie (Tauber) Danielson
- December 21Lois Bohanon
- Alan Christianson
- December 27Gordon Ford
- December 28Kathy Green
- December 31Mike Gulbrandson

Happy Birthday!



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I remember one year looking at my mom and asking, “Okay, what’s next? What do we do now?” My mom said, “Now we wait.”

“Wait! Wait for what?” I asked.

“Christmas,” she replied.

I remember thinking, we have to wait? We did all this work and now we have to wait? I hate waiting! But that is what we needed to do. So every year we waited.

We are entering the season of Advent... the season of waiting. We take this time to prepare our hearts and minds to the rhythm of God’s heart. In our business of putting up the tree, in the craziness of getting gifts for everyone, in the midst of this messy life... we wait.

Advent is a time where we anticipate the long awaited Messiah. We reflect on a hope for a better future, a peace that transcends all understanding, an unexplainable joy that fills our souls, and an unconditional love that envelopes our lives when we put our trust in God. In our mess... we wait for God to enter our story. May this season of Advent find you pondering the meaning of hope, peace, joy, and love in your lives.

Blessed Advent, Merry Christmas, and Happy Holidays to you all,

Pastor Torri Vande Zande

Silent Auction at January’s Fundraiser Meal

We are looking for donations of items to put in the silent auction at the January fundraiser meal, which will be on Friday, January 16th. These items can be new or gently used. We are also looking for a great item to raffle off. Please give all donations to Cindy Gulbrandson. If you have any questions, you may call me at 612-232-2760. Thank you!

Treasure Sale

We are going to have the Treasure Sale again this year, one day only - June 10th - in conjunction with the flea market. Any donations you may have for this event can be brought to church and put in the storeroom downstairs. Thank you!

— Cindy Gulbrandson

The Outreach Team Update

By Tammy Lindberg

Please join us for a soul-warming soup during Advent, a wonderful opportunity to nourish both body and spirit! Right after the service on December 17th, we will be serving up a delicious, hot bowl of soup!!

There are some exciting changes coming up as of the first of the year concerning the Benefit Meals, as meals will be moving to the first Wednesday of each month. On January 7th the Family Safety Network will be the recipient. The meal will consist of yummy meatloaf, mashed potatoes, salad, buns, and dessert. Help us spread the word and ensure everyone stays connected. Meals will be served from 5-6 as always.

Thank you all for your unwavering support and blessings!!



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER, 20 2025

Present: Pastor Torri by Zoom, Caryl Allan, Joni Kumpula, Mike Schmitt, Heidi and Don Hoppe, Connie Schmitt, John and Tammy Lindberg, Mike Bohanon, Kerry Swenson, Linnea Dietrich, Sheryl Kaubisch, Marilyn Erickson, and Judy Hoopman

Call to Order by Vice Moderator, John Lindberg, and Pastor Torri led us in prayer.

No change to the agenda. Motion to accept agenda by Linnea and seconded by Mike, approved.

Last month's (October) minutes were reviewed electronically by the Council and have been approved by email. An official copy was submitted for the November newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS

2026 Budget Update & cost projection – Don informed Council that forms to members of the Council and Ministry Teams have been sent out regarding budget expectations for 2026 and past information on 2025 expenses. They are due by December 2nd so the budget can be reviewed in the December Executive Committee meeting to plan for the 2026 budget.

Policy & Procedure Manual – Connie previously handed out forms to the Council and Ministry Teams for review and updating. Forms are needed from Worship and Finances by December 2nd for the December Executive meeting for review and editing.

Training of Cooking Staff - Contact has been made with the Salvation Army which has a food truck and charges no fee for ServSafe training. Kerry is looking into them coming here for this training. Once trained, the expectation is that those trained will be available to help the Salvation Army in the future. Mike and Kerry have been involved, and they are the contact for Salvation Army.

Sponsorship of Benefit Meals - Tammy, John, and Pastor Torri are working on this. Some contact has been made with local businesses. They may not be able to donate every month, but they have offered to help with the purchases of certain items at their cost through their suppliers.

Child Care Locks for Play Ground - Connie has been working on this, and Mike B offered to provide several padlocks to resolve this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer Report from Sheryl - Sheryl brought up issues with getting bills paid and outlined the general procedure to be followed. Bills need to be mailed to UCC's P.O. box not the street address of the church. Original receipts need to be submitted along with the voucher form and approved/signed by Ministry/committee chair. Snow plowing is arranged for winter with Colter Peterson.

Event Policy – Connie provided a policy draft for review with discussion following. She explained the recommendation of not covering UCC's symbols when events are occurring. Exception to this would be for special events such as Dinner and Show. With new staging material, the cross and altar could be covered. Council supports this, and a motion to accept the policy was made by Kerry, seconded by Heidi and approved. Connie will update the final version to include this rider.

Church Projects – Connie has been working on compiling a list of necessary projects with the top three being:

1. The church roof – waiting for information about insurance,
 2. Foundation Issues – Kerry has had contact with the architecture agency of Widseth who bought out the original company of Architecture 1 that did the initial work when the Fellowship Hall was added. The company suggested not doing anything until they send their engineers to review the wall and foundation. Discussion by Council included consulting with an attorney or Steve Erickson who has mediated several of these situations. We are waiting to hear back from insurance and having the Widseth engineers come and look at the foundation and wall.
 3. Financial System used for church accounting is QuickBooks and "Church Windows." Mike and Connie Schmitt will meet with users and do a discovery session – needs assessment. Other potential projects mentioned: Church freezer, update thermostats, light bulb replacements, circuit needed for Child Care washer & dryer, painting the bell tower, carpet upgrade, and altar facelift.
- Raise the Roof Campaign Don's update - On hold until January and 2026 budget is set. AED, CPR, First Aid Training - Kerry Swenson provided an excellent training session, and it was well attended.

REPORTS

Pastor's Monthly Report: Pastor Torri provided a written report. Council acknowledged Pastor's recent article in the newsletter about "Under the Roof" and future utility of it.

Board of Facilities – Mike and Kerry stated basic church maintenance is up to date, and they are working to correct issues with the heat pump for the library.

Board of Financial Stewardship: Don provided a grim report of current finances with expenses exceeding income for last month. Income for October was low, and expenses were very high. If all 2025 pledges are completed by the end of the year, we will still have a deficit of up to \$20,000 to \$30,000. This also means there will be no carryover to assist with the 2026 budget. The 2026 Stewardship Campaign continues with 43 pledges received totaling \$92,917. We are hopeful for at least 5 more pledges with a possible total of 48 pledges and a projected total of \$120,000. Don and Financial Stewardship will continue to work on the 2026 budget in December. There was also more discussion about the roof issue and the possibility of Roof Max spraying the shingles for 25% of the cost of total reroofing project. This spraying could last for about 5 years which may provide time for the church to have enough money to reroof. No firm decision was made as nothing can be done now until spring. More information will be gathered.

Board of Personnel: Connie brought up the 2026 state mandate for Minnesota Leave Policy and is researching how this may affect the church employees and budgets.

Adult Learning: Linnea provided information about a 3-session training event “Living Deeply, Dying Well” on Health Care Directives and end of life issues by Laurel Riedel to be offered January 5, 12, and February 9 from 10-11:30 at UCC. There is a fee of \$75, and registration is limited to 10 participants. If there is enough interest, this could be offered again in the spring. Laura Baum-Parr will be offering a ½ day retreat on compassion on Saturday, January 24th from 9-noon in the Fellowship Hall.

Congregational Life:

Pastor Torri provided a written report that included creating a Called to Care team of 10 regular people and several others as needed. She also mentioned that we are updating the church directory and reviewing the current copy, updating as needed.

Justice Ministry:

Book study is on hold until after the holidays and is planned to start in January. Several individuals will attend a training about ICE in Minneapolis on December 14. If interested in attending, contact Marilyn Erickson.

Men's Fellowship:

Mike S. stated a good meeting was held at the Corner Store café with 9 participants. Next meeting will be at Hackensack's Blue Ox Coffee Shop on Monday, December 8th at 9:30. November's Community Meal was well attended and earned \$487 for the food boxes that Men's Fellowship prepares for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter with the Food Shelf. Quilt placemats were donated from the Heartland Quilters and will be added to the food boxes. Monday 11/24 food boxes will be prepared for distribution to 15 families.

Outreach Team: Tammy confirmed what Men's Fellowship shared about the recent community meal. Planning is in process for future events and fundraisers such as dinner and music in the Fellowship Hall, and a silent auction event.

Tech Team: Tech Team has a surplus of TV's and computers that will be up for sale this Saturday 11/22 from 10 AM to 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Women's Fellowship: Joni is passing on her role as chairperson to Sherry Toenjes. A warm applause for all of Joni's hard work was given. The Cookie and Craft Sale will be held on Sunday December 7th in the Fellowship Hall. Joni asked that cookies by the half dozen be donated and will be sold for \$3.00 for each plate.

There is no Women's Fellowship gathering in January, and the February meeting will be for planning 2026 activities. The next event will be the annual Women's Fellowship sponsored Christmas luncheon on 12/11 in the Fellowship Hall at noon with food provided by The Big Dipper. This annual event is open to all members and friends of Union Church. (Please respond on the sign-up sheet in the hallway if you plan to attend so we can get a good idea of numbers...it is paid for and served by Women's Fellowship.)

Bone Builders continue to go very well, and there will no longer be any field trips through Women's Fellowship due to low participation.

Worship: Heidi stated since November 30th is a 5th Sunday, there will be a hymn sing, and the service will also be the 1st in the Advent season. For Advent the Wednesday services will be shared with St. Paul's Lutheran and the Lighthouse with soup dinners following. Christmas Eve service will be at 4PM, and a notice will go into the local paper. Pastor Torri will be on vacation from December 25 to January 1. Truett Lawson will give the message, and Tom Cox will assist as worship leader.

Moderator's Moment: John acknowledges everyone's efforts and work with a warm thank you to all.

Pastor closed the meeting with the benediction and a prayer for Gunder and his brother who is in failing health.

Next meeting will be January 15, 2026

Team reports due January 12, 2026.

No Council Meeting in December and no newsletter in January 2026.

Meeting was adjourned with motion by John and Mike S. Minutes written by Judy Hoopman

THROUGH KODA'S EYES



Hi! My name is Koda, and I am "The Church Dog"! It is December and Christmas is coming soon! But before we celebrate Christmas, we need to go through Advent. I was told by my human that Advent is a season of waiting. When I hear the word "wait," I usually have to stop what I want to do and just sit there until my human says I can go again. It's so dumb. I do not like waiting.

I like to do things right away! For example, I like to get treats immediately! I do not like to wait for them! I like to jump out of the car and run to the church doors immediately! I do not like to wait for my human to say I can go.

I will give you another example! My human has a car that has a hatch, so I jump in the car through the hatch. One day this past summer, I was excited because we were going for a ride! I love rides! So my human opened the hatch door... And then she made me wait until the hatch door was all the way up before she gave me the command to jump in. Well, I did

not want to wait! I wanted to jump in the car right away!

Even though my human's finger was extended out (which is the sign for "wait"), I ignored it and I jumped! I jumped fast and I jumped high! And then BONK! I cracked my head on the hatch door! My little body was knocked to the ground! I had no idea what hit me! I got up and looked at my human, and she still had her finger up. I should have waited. This is a bad example.

Maybe waiting is not such a bad idea. Maybe if I waited I would have not hit my head on the hatch? Maybe waiting is a good thing? And maybe having a waiting season before Christmas is a good thing too?

What I mean is, I was so excited about going for a ride in the car, that I forgot that getting ready to go for a ride in the car is also very important. I like getting my coat on and hooking up my leash. I like saying goodbye to Bandit (the cat) and running out the door. All those things lead up to the car ride! So why do I need to hurry? The car ride will come, but the preparation part makes the car ride so much more fun and meaningful.

And maybe that is what Advent is to humans. It is a time to prepare for the ride of Christmas!

So I wish you all a good Advent season. Remember to "Wait"! And try not to bump your head on things if you jump too early.

That's how I see it through my eyes!

Have a barky day!

Koda "The Church Dog"



BOARD OF FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Operating Income and Expenses

Income – October	\$ 8,652.00	Year to Date 2025 Giving	\$ 105,737.32
Other Income*- October	<u>\$ 651.16</u>	YTD Other Income*	\$ 18,795.50
Total Income	\$ 9,301.16	YTD Total Income	\$ 124,532.82
Expenses - October	\$ 17,424.04	Year to Date Expenses	\$ 154,371.20
Balance - October	\$ - 8,122.88	Balance - Year to Date	\$ - 29,838.38

Prepaid & Carryover \$ 14,738.00

* Other income includes Treasure Sale, fundraisers, building use, Final Balance ~~\$ - 15,100.38~~ other income sources, interest and dividends generated from restricted funds and specified donations or grants not going into operating funds.

Checking available:	\$ 7,250.87
Reserve Saving	\$ 36,817.60
CD's	\$ 180,690.67
Investments	<u>\$ 168,531.55</u>
Total Assets	\$ 393,209.69

Summary

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The 2026 Stewardship Campaign is continuing and currently we have received 43 pledges for a total of \$92,917. We are contacting previous pledging units and hope for at least another 5 pledges. Our hope was to receive 48 pledges for a total of \$120,000.

We are working on the 2026 budget. This will be presented at the Semi-annual meeting at the end of January.

A capital campaign for the roof project will begin in January, 2026. The Church Council is also discussing other facilities and operating expenditures and the sustainability of Union Church.

CONCERNS AND HELP NEEDED

If you read the Board of Financial Stewardship report, you will see the concerns and where you may be able to help.

Completion of Pledges - If you made a pledge for 2025, we request that you complete it by the end of the year. If you are not sure of current amount pledged and given, please contact the Financial Secretary by email at finsec.ucchackmn@gmail.com or call 218-839-4341.

2026 Pledging - If you have not made a pledge for 2026, we hope you will carefully and prayerfully consider one. For more information or questions, also contact the Financial Secretary.

Union Church is facing some financial challenges, both in terms of current giving and also current and future expenses with our wonderful church building. Please think about the importance of Union Church to you, your church family and the community.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays from Women's Fellowship! Do join us, we have a really good time. In November we decorated small gingerbread houses. They all turned out to be super cute. Then we had an election! Sherry T will be our new leader come January of 2026. We are all very excited, and so is she. We all vowed to help her.



December is our busiest month. Sunday the 7th is our annual Cookie and Craft Sale. Bring your cookies on a plate of 6, named and covered in plastic. Let us know if you want to sell crafts. Then be ready to buy your Christmas treats! This is a good money maker for us. We try to supply lots of things for the church besides the "always coffee." Then on Thursday December 11th we will have our annual members and friends Christmas Luncheon. This is a free thank you to all of you for all you do and mean to Union Church! Wow!

I would like to thank Sherry for her coming leadership. It will be fun for me to just be her helper. I have truly enjoyed my time and will always be around. Thank you for all you have done to help and support our Women's Fellowship.

Love you all and see you in church, Joni

JUSTICE MINISTRY TEAM UPDATE

The JMT met in November enjoyed co-sponsoring the Issac Walton League Benefit Dinner on November 17th. Several JMT Members volunteered to assist with the dinner and enjoyed the presentation afterwards. We agreed to postpone our book discussion until after Christmas.

We discussed an opportunity to attend "Faith In Minnesota", a subgroup of the Issiah Organization, on December 13th at the Minnesota Auditorium to learn about Ice raids in Minnesota. It will be an educational event to about how to respond to an ICE raid in our communities, what to do and what to say. Cass County is one of three counties in Minnesota that is allowing ICE to operate in its communities and rural areas. A group of Justice Ministry Team members is planning to attend the Issah education and training session on December 13th in Minneapolis. Please contact Marilyn McKnight if you are interested in attending.

ADULT LEARNING – by Linnea Dietrich

I would like to thank Steve Erickson for the informative and passionate talk he gave on Dietrich Bonhoeffer on November 16. I heard several comments afterwards of how much people enjoyed learning more about Bonhoeffer and his resistance to Nazi dictatorship.

In January we are running a pilot program by Laurel Riedel called “Living Well, Dying Well.” This three session workshop is a place to learn, discuss options and share stories while writing our Health Care Directive. The group energy propels everyone to create this important legal document and get the work done! There is a 10 person limit on attendees for this workshop which filled very quickly. If this sounds like something you might be interested in, talk to Linnea. Very likely we will offer this again in the late spring.

Save the Date! Saturday, January 24th from 9-noon adult education is sponsoring a retreat led by Laura Baum-Parr called...

Compassion as a Way of Life: Seeking Peace in Stressful Times.

As we strive to be a compassionate presence in life, God’s desire for us to treat ourselves with compassion becomes apparent. The focus on this retreat is to define compassion and break open its four seeds: mindfulness, non judgment, nonviolence, and forgiveness. This is an interactive worship in which participants will reflect upon their gifts and challenges with regards to these qualities and discern how God may be inviting them to enter more deeply into a compassionate life.

Lectio Divina will meet from 3:45-4:45 so we can attend the advent services at local churches and UCC followed by soup suppers. All are welcome.

NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM

Advent, the season of waiting for the arrival of the Christ Child has begun. We’re partnering with St. Paul’s and The Lighthouse, and the services will be followed by a soup and sandwich supper as usual. You can find the schedule of weekly locations elsewhere in this newsletter. If you are unable to join us in person, be sure to tune in since the services (at St. Paul’s and Union at least) will be streamed.

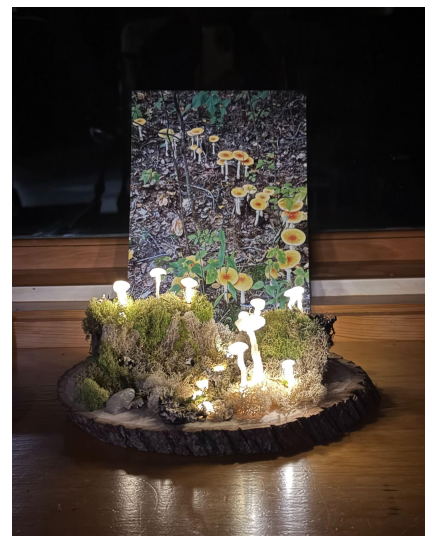
Our Christmas Eve service will be held at 4:00 p.m., and will feature readings of the Christmas story, carols, and the traditional candle lighting as we sing “Silent Night”. As always, join us and bring your friends and neighbors for this heartwarming service.

Torri will be visiting her family the week after Christmas, and we will welcome Truett Lawson, a retired Baptist minister and frequent visitor at Union, into the pulpit on December 28th.

Many thanks to all those who assisted with worship services this year. Thank you for sharing your time and talents to make our church services diverse and welcoming.

If you are interested in helping at Union by working with the Worship Ministry Team, please contact one of our members.

Take care, and have a wonderful Christmas with friends and family.



Worship Ministry Team: Heidi Hoppe, Caryl Allan, Sheryl Kaubisch, Gracee Rudkin, and Mary Parrish.

DINNER AND A SHOW!

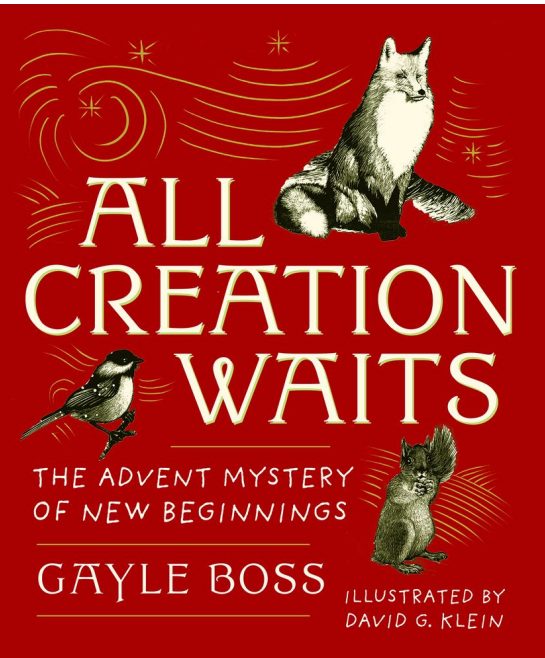
FROST AND FLANNEL

January 16th we will be having another "Dinner and a Show" with the theme of "Frost and Flannel"! It will be a night filled with fun, food, and friends. This night will include a gourmet meal, live music, a silent auction, and a bake sale. This is a fundraiser for the church. Activities start at 5:00 p.m. Invite your friends and neighbors for an exciting night! If you would like to help or volunteer, please contact the church. Free will donation at the door for the meal. Silent auction and bake sale items will be marked. Join us to raise funds for the church!

If you are looking for a book to bring you through the Advent Season, consider purchasing "All Creation Waits" by Gayle Boss.

This book takes a look at 24 different animals and how they live and navigate through the winter months. Gayle Boss ties in Advent reflections for each animal and gives a wonderful perspective of how God creates a season of waiting for everything. I highly recommend this if you are an animal lover.

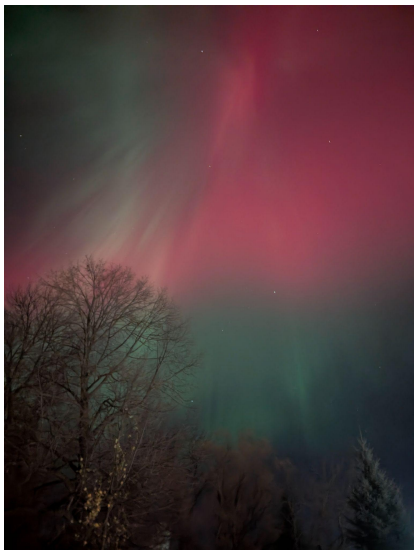
Peace,
Pastor Torri



Community Advent Services

5:00 PM on Wednesdays
Followed by a soup supper

December 3	—	St. Paul's Lutheran
December 10	—	The Lighthouse
December 17	—	Union

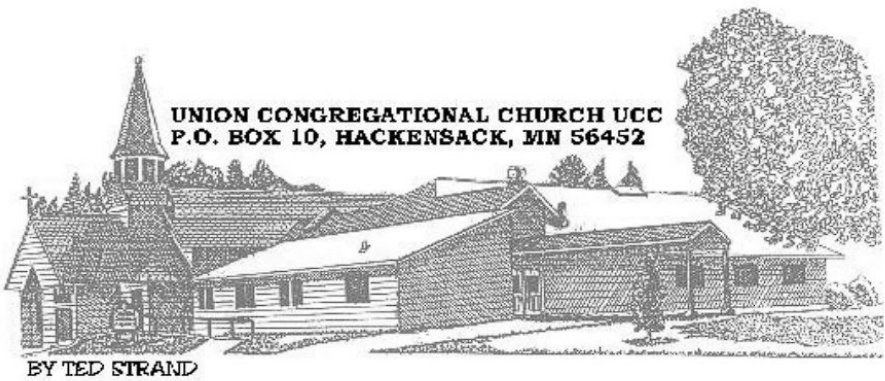


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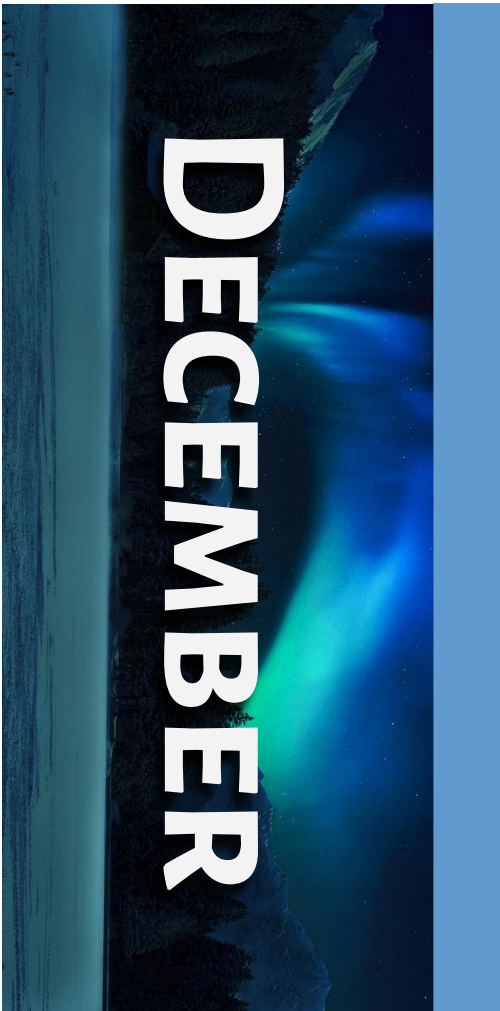
December 2025

* Community event

SUNDAY	1 MONDAY	2 TUESDAY	3 WEDNESDAY	4 THURSDAY	5 FRIDAY	6 SATURDAY
	1:30 pm Bone Builders* 6:00 pm AA Open Meeting*	9:00 am Tech Team Meeting	10:00 am Fit2Move 4:00 pm Lectio Divina 5:00 pm Advent Service @ SPLC	7:30pm JMT Meeting	Office Closed 10:00 am Fit2Move 1:30 pm Bone Builders*	
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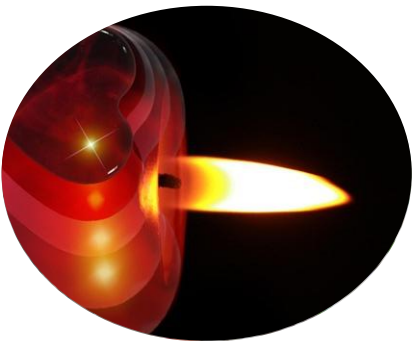


FORWARD SERVICE REQUESTED



2025

Join us for joint advent
services every Wednesday
at 5:00 pm! Details inside.



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