

First Sunday of Advent
Saturday, December 1, 2018 in the year of our Lord
Sunday, December 2, 2018 in the year of our Lord

Opportunities to Equip and be Equipped

"St. Paul . . . sent by Jesus Christ and God the Father who raised him from the dead." (Galatians 1:1)

"A Christ-centered, Gospel-based church equipping you for service."

CHRISTMAS SEASON WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 1	4:00 PM Hanging of the Greens
Sunday, December 2	8:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 AM Alternative Worship
Saturday, December 22	4:00 PM Worship with Holy Communion 5:00 PM Youth Christmas Program Potluck and Carol sing-a-long
Sunday, December 23	8:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 AM Alternative Worship
Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve	8:30 PM Special Music 9:00 PM Candlelight Service
Saturday, December 29	4:00 PM Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, December 30 New Year's Eve	8:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion

We would like to welcome anyone who is visiting with us this weekend. Please sign the visitor register in the Narthex. Thank you.

Tired and Retired will meet Thursday, December 13 at 4:00 pm at Cameo Pizza. We will be meeting in the back room. Please bring Christmas cookies as Matt really enjoys them and he shares them with his employees. Come join us. We always have a good time. Hope to see you there.

Christmas cards of the church will be on sale in the Narthex or in the office. The cost is \$10.00 a box.

The Sandusky Choral Society, under the direction of Heather L. Carman, will present their 82nd annual Christmas Concert on Friday, November 30 and Sunday, December 2, 2018.

The Friday evening concert will take place at Norwalk First United Methodist Church, 60 W. Main St., Norwalk, Ohio. Concert time is 7:30 p.m.

The Sunday afternoon concert will take place at Grace Episcopal Church, 315 Wayne St., Sandusky, Ohio. Concert time is 3:00 p.m.

A reception will follow each concert in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$6.00 and may be purchased in advance from any chorus member or at the door the day of the concert.

Our ladies Christmas party will be held on Monday, December 10, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the Huron Eagles.

Menu: Roast Beef
Roasted Chicken Thighs
Red Skin Potatoes
Salad Bar
Rolls and Butter
Dessert
Coffee and Water

Any other drinks will be your responsibility. Cost will be \$15.00 per person. Please pay Vicki by Monday, December 3rd and please sign up in the Narthex by Sunday, December 2nd.

We will be accepting donations of personal care products for men, women and children for Victory Kitchen.

Would you like to help active military members and their families? Manufacturer coupons found in newspapers are needed for the Troopon Coupon program (in conjunction with the Volunteer Center and Senior Center). No clipping or sorting required; expired coupons accepted. Coupons may be placed in the Fellowship Hall; for questions call Jackie at 419-625-3164. Coupons are usually found in the Sunday/Weekend editions of the Sandusky Register, Cleveland Plain Dealer or Toledo Blade. Your help is appreciated.

There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex for anyone interested in serving as an acolytes. You do not have to be a youth to sign up. Anyone, including adults, can be an acolyte.

You are invited to the Sunday School Christmas Program on Saturday, December 22nd after the 4:00 PM service. There will be a potluck and hymn singing and of course the Christmas Program. All are welcome.

Starting on December 1st we will be taking names for Christmas Baskets. We will be taking names until December 17th. Baskets will be delivered Friday, December 21st. This year all referrals must be made by church members. We are limited as to how many baskets we can deliver so please turn in your names to the office as soon as possible. The forms for requesting baskets are on the back ledge or you may pick one up in the office. Thank you.

If anyone in the congregation wants a pew they are free. We want to get rid of them by Dec. 31st. If you want them cut down there will be a charge per pew. Please contact the office if you are interested.

Names will be available for Project Noelle Christmas Kids through Erie County Job and Family Services. Please see the Christmas tree in the Narthex for names and ages. Gifts should be wrapped with tags and turned in by December 16th.

HOLIDAY OFFICE SCHEDULE

December 25 Office closed
December 26 Office closed
December 31 Office closed
January 1 Office closed

This week in advance

Sunday, December 2

8:00 A.M. Worship with Holy Communion
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Alternative Worship
3:00 P.M. Confirmation at Zion, Sandusky

Thursday, December 6

10:00 A.M. Bulletin Announcements Due
4:30-8:00 P.M. Brothers of Basketball
Masters and Sylvania

Monday, December 3

4:30-8:00 P.M. Brothers of Basketball
7:00 P.M. Dartball away
Masters and Sylvania

Friday, December 7

4:30-8:00 P.M. Brothers of Basketball
6:30 P.M. AA/Al-anon

Tuesday, December 4

9:00 A.M. Staff meeting
1:00 P.M. Text study at Mr. Smith's
4:30-8:00 P.M. Brothers of Basketball
6:00 P.M. Cub Scouts
6:30 P.M. Team Meetings
6:45 P.M. Boy Scouts
Masters and Sylvania

Saturday, December 8

4:00 P.M. Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, December 9

8:00 A.M. Worship with Holy Communion
9:00 A.M. Adult Class Celebrating Christmas
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:00 A.M. Alternative Worship with
Holy Communion

Wednesday, December 5

4:30-8:00 P.M. Brothers of Basketball
6:15 P.M. Bell Choir
6:30 P.M. Family Night
7:00 P.M. Choir
Masters and Sylvania