

GIVING TREE UPDATE

A huge THANK YOU to all who participated in our annual Giving Tree project, by giving and/or delivering gifts. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to make Christmas much brighter for 80 children and their families. The families we delivered to in Livermore were all beyond grateful, and the PUSD families were thrilled to receive their gifts as well. We were also able to provide many gift cards for both organizations to use for future "emergency" needs!

A special thanks to the Outreach Committee for their continued support, without which all of this would not be possible!

THANK YOU LYNNWOOD!

~Betsy McClellan

Nursery Now Open

Comfortable space for parents with young children - service livestreamed. Across the courtyard in the Fellowship Hall - ask an usher to guide you.

Holiday Office Hours

The office will be closed on Dec.25, Dec. 26, Jan. 1 and Jan. 2

Dec.27 and Dec.28 - office hours 9 a.m. -12 p.m.

Jan.3 and Jan.4 - office hours 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.



Website: Lynnewood.org

App: Lynnewood UMC

Christmas Eve

9:30 a.m.



December 24, 2023

Lynnewood UMC

Order of Service

Upcoming Worship Series

WISDOM OF THE WORLD: AN INTERFAITH CONVERSATION

The season after Christmas is traditionally called Epiphany. It is a time of new insight and wisdom; a time to seek the presence of God in our world in new ways. Throughout January and February, we will consider some of faith's big questions and seek answers from the world's major religious traditions. We will gain some new insight into the practices and beliefs of Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. It's no secret that many of our world's current conflicts involve religious and political differences. We won't solve that in January! But, we will approach one another's views with reverence, curiosity and genuine love of neighbor. As followers of Christ's light, we will search for understanding, compassion, and the shared humanity that connects us. 2024 is upon us - may we approach it with a renewed commitment to follow Christ and to extend a hand of friendship and love to all our neighbors.

January 7 What Does it Mean to Be Spiritual? Holy Communion and Renewal of Baptism Sunday

January 14 Why Was I Born?

January 21 Is it possible to repair past mistakes?

January 28 How do I draw close to God?

February 4 What is the path to happiness?

February 11 Is My Truth the Only One?

NEW Bible Study: Out of the Waters: Resisting the Power of Fear

A Biblical Perspective on Immigration Past and Present

When: 6 Sessions (Sundays, January 21- February 25 from 10:45-12) OR (Wednesdays, January 24 – February 28 from 9:30-11:30 AM)

Groups will be led by Susan Gillaspy, Jan Villott and Pastor Jenn.

Registration begins online and in person on January 7.

See Friday Email and January Lynnewood Lines for more details.

Prelude	Angels We Have Heard on High Music - arr. Phillip Keveren Ukrainian Bell Carol/What Child Is This Music - arr. Roger House
Welcome and Announcements	
Becoming Present - An Advent Ritual	
Threshold Song	Waiting for You v. 1,2, chorus
Advent Candle Lighting	
Song	Waiting for You
Opening Carol	O Come, All Ye Faithful (Band version vs. 1, 3, 6)
Passing the Peace	
Carol	Away in a Manger UMH 217 v. 1-2
Joyful Noise Anthem	Little Star - Words & Music by Greg Gilpin
Carol	Away in a Manger UMH 217 v. 3
Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer	
Scripture Readings	Luke 1: 26-33 and Matthew 1: 18-21 Readers: LilyJoy Delgado & Cooper Edenborough
Sermon	What is Love?
The Birth of Christ Retold	Kennedy Edenborough, Izzy Harralson, Ashton Redfern and Scarlett Redfern
Special Music	Some Children See Him, Solo - Michael Morales Words - Wihla Huston Music - Alfred Burt
Benediction	
Closing Carol	Joy to the World
Postlude	Joy to the World (reprise)