



The WYANDOTTE VISITOR

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**“Becoming passionately
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 Jesus Christ.”**

OFFICE HOURS
 Tuesday-Friday
 9:00AM—12:00PM
(but please call first!)
 Office closed on Monday

December 2024

Advent is here, and with it, the new church year. The Season of Advent is one of the highlights of the Christian Year. With this season, we launch another cycle of living into the story of Jesus and the church that emerges—of which we are a part. I sometimes think we need to find a new way of telling this story and do something fresh and unique. There is certainly space for that, but tradition and remembering the songs and stories from our beginnings can be a powerful invitation to grow as disciples as we grow closer to Christ. So, I want to invite you to consider the Preparations and the Passion of Advent so that we might embrace the Presence and Promise of the Christ who comes. And through it all, we will gather to worship. So, come, let us adore him.

At the time of this writing, we are still working on bringing some special music into our worship during the month of December. Nothing is yet confirmed, but we wouldn't want anyone to miss any special performances by people from our community.

During the month of December, our Advent and Christmas offering for UMCOR continues. At the beginning of November, we were already able to send \$2,360 to UMCOR to support their relief efforts within the US, especially from the hurricanes earlier this year. When natural disasters strike, UMCOR is often one of the first of the many aid groups to arrive on the scene AND one of the last to leave. I hope you will be able to help support these efforts through your contributions. You can make your donation to the church and mark it UMCOR in the memo, or you can give directly to UMCOR in one of the following ways. To give online go to: <https://advance.umcmission.org/p-620-umcor-us-disaster-response-and-recovery.aspx>. You can designate Wyandotte UMC there so the church gets credit, just be sure to select the one in Kansas! To give by mail, send your check to: Global Ministries/ UMCOR, GPO, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087-9068. Be sure to include **Advance # 901670** on your check.

Other opportunities for holiday giving include our regular collections for the HUB, the Hat & Mitten Tree (gloves and scarves also welcome), and the Salvation Army angels. Also, don't forget to get your orders to Donna Leshner for gift cards, beyond what she usually stocks, by December 8 to make sure you get them before Christmas.

Our Christmas Eve Candlelight and Communion service will take place on December 24 at 6:00 PM. Please invite your friends and family to join us for this always very meaningful service when we hear the stories of Christmas through scripture and song.

With December having five Sundays, we will have a fifth Sunday Fellowship Dinner following worship on the December 29. Join us if you can, and if you have additional family in town, bring them along. It's always fun to see family members we've heard about and to be able to put faces to names.

As we move into the New Year, we would like to be able to close out the books by December 31. Please make sure your offerings for 2024 are received by the church on or before the last Sunday, December 29.

Finally (I think!), our monthly game night for this month will be moved from the fourth Saturday to New Year's Eve, December 31. It will begin around 5 PM as usual, with no predetermined cut-off time. It's doubtful that it will go to midnight, but you just never know!

I hope everyone has a wonderful Advent and Christmas season, and that our church will continue to spread love and light to all we encounter.

Blessings,

Pastor Kim

December Sermon Schedule

Come, Let Us Adore Him

December 1, 2024	Preparations (Luke 21:25-36)
December 8, 2024	Passion (Luke 3:1-6)
December 15, 2024	Presence (Luke 3:7-18)
December 22, 2024	Promise (Luke 1:39-55)
December 24 Christmas Eve	Candlelight and Communion Service – JOY (Luke 2:1-20)
December 29, 2024	Home (Luke 2:15-21)

WOMEN'S MINISTRY:

Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study is seeking a new leader.
Let Pastor Kim know if you are interested.

Quilting Group

Meets on Mondays, 9:30 AM-Noon
New ladies are always welcome!

Women's Friendship Circle

Thursday, Dec. 19 - 10:00 AM
All women of the church and friends are welcome

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Two Adult Sunday School Classes are available

Pastor Kim leads a weekly Sunday School class that meets in the Library each Sunday at 9:00 AM. We are studying the book "Getting to Good" by Rev. David Livingston.

The Crusaders Class is an adult Sunday school class that meets in the room just off Fellowship Hall. They participate in a number of different studies. This class also meets at 9:00 am.

- All are welcome -

Children's Sunday school is available when children are present.

NEWSLETTER

Newsletters are sent by e-mail.

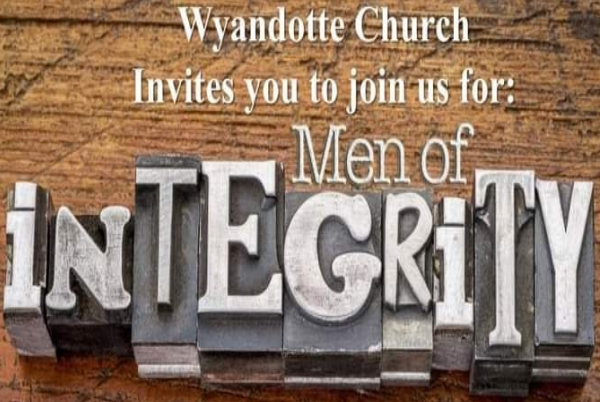
If you prefer a printed copy, please call or email the office and one will be sent to you.

Deadline for articles for the January Newsletter will be Friday, December 13, 2024.

(please send by email to admin@wyandotteumc.com.)

NOTE

Mailing of the January Newsletter will be Friday, December 27, 2024.



Wyandotte Church
Invites you to join us for:

Men of INTEGRITY

A Weekly meeting every Thursday at 12 Noon
where we discuss current events, news, and events of our lives
with a biblical perspective and strive to become men with integrity.

At the Parsonage 1406 N. 79th Street.

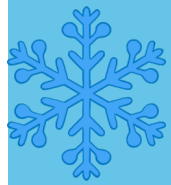


The Outreach Committee has chosen The HUB, a ministry of the UMC in Argentine, to be a recipient of our congregational generosity. They have given us a list supplies to be made available in their free community market. There will be a different focus each month. **For the month of December it is flour, holiday meats, desserts, and underwear.** Donations can be placed in the Fellowship Hall.

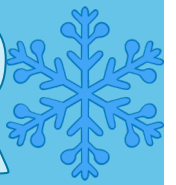


**Wyandotte Dinners
gather on the second
and fourth Wednesdays
of each month at Pizza
Stop (2nd) or Danny's
Bar and Grill (4th)
for dinner and
conversation.
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

There will be no 4th Wednesday
dinner this month due to
Christmas



DECEMBER



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM	2 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	3 Wyandotte County Retired School District Personnel 10:00-2:00	4 S.H.A.R.E 3:00-7:00 PM	5 Outreach 10:00 AM Men of Integrity Noon	6	7
8 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service Communion 10:00 AM	9 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	10	11 S.H.A.R.E 3:00-5:45 PM Wyandotte Dinner Out Pizza Stop 6:00 PM	12 Men of Integrity Noon	13 Newsletter Deadline	14
15 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service Loud Offering 10:00 AM	16 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	17	18 S.H.A.R.E 3:00-7:00 PM	19 Friendship Circle 10:00 AM Men of Integrity Noon	20	21
22 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM	23 Food Kitchen 9:30 AM Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	24 Christmas Eve Service 6 PM	25 	26 Men of Integrity Noon	27 Newsletter Mailing	28
29 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Fellowship Dinner 11:00	30 Quilting 9:30 AM-Noon	31 Game Night 5:00—9:00 PM 	<div data-bbox="800 1772 1541 2011" data-label="Text"> <p>Communion will take place on December 8 due to Pastor Kim's absence on December 1</p> </div>			

Advent/Christmas Offering 2024

Offerings will support UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)
Mark your offerings UMCOR, Advent, or Christmas for directed giving to UMCOR.



“Through mission, The United Methodist Church realizes its greatest unity, and through mission and being in mission together, society achieves its greatest potential.”



**GOD'S MISSION
OUR WORK AND WITNESS**



**Providing Humanitarian
Relief and Recovery**

SHARE

Come unwind in the middle of a hectic week. Come enjoy a time of coloring and fellowship in a relaxed atmosphere. Join us every Wednesday from 3:00 - 6:00 or 7:00 p.m. At the parsonage, 1406 N. 79th St. All are welcome and need not be a member of the church to join.



Sundays 10:00 AM

Worship with us ONLINE at www.wyandotteumc.com

or www.facebook.com/WyandotteUMC/videos

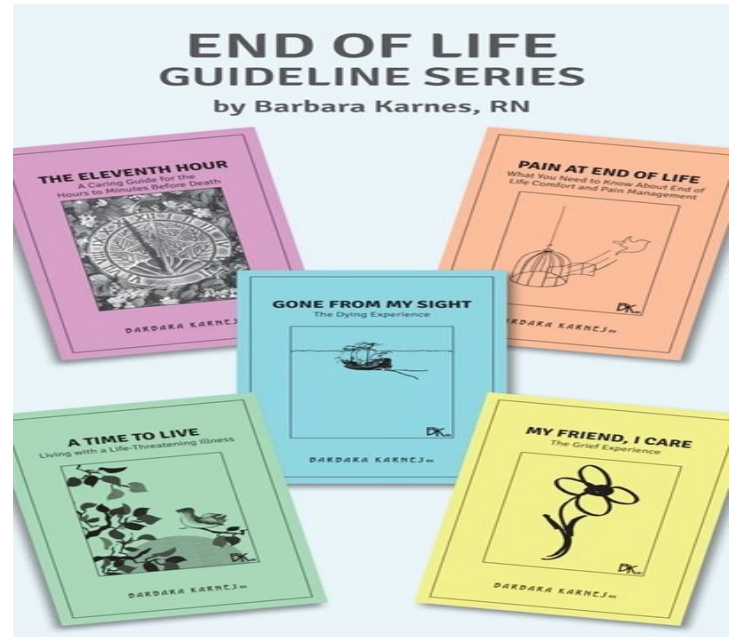
Preaching Schedule	
December 1	Margo Sims-Gardner
December 8	Rev. Kim Dominic
December 15	Rev. Kim Dominic
December 22	Rev. Kim Dominic
December 24, 2024 Christmas Eve	Rev. Kim Dominic
December 29	Rev. Kim Dominic

Scripture Reader	
December 1	Fay Sturm-White
December 8	Ruth Miller
December 15	Pat Gates
December 22	Ramona Stowe
December 29	Janene Brown

If you'd like to read scripture on Sunday, get with Pastor Kim or contact the office at 788-5503.

Nursery at 10:00 am	
December 1	Kathy M & Pat Gates
December 8	TBD
December 15	Ramona
December 22	TBD
December 29	TBD

To volunteer in the nursery:
You can sign up in the sanctuary or contact Ramona Stowe at: ramonastowe@gmail.com



The church has a series of booklets written by Barbara Karnes, RN that deal with end of life issues for people going through challenging times for themselves and loved ones. Please feel free to check them out through the office.

If you have an address update or correction, please let the office know by calling: 913-788-5503 or emailing admin@wyandotteumc.com.

If you're not attending in-person worship, please continue to mail in your offerings. If you need offering envelopes, please call the office.



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

TIME SENSITIVE

December Birthdays and Anniversaries

12/1	Karen Wing Simmons	12/17	Bill Richey
12/1	Ashley Thomas	12/21	Luke Peterson
12/2	Sherryl Lewis	12/21	Judi Whiles
12/5	Pat Watson	12/22	Marissa Gaddis
12/6	Ann Hosmann	12/23	Carol Siscoe
12/10	Ben Blagg	12/26	Bill Whiles
12/11	Danielle Jaster	12/27	Dean Caldwell
12/13	Kim Dominic	12/27	Carol Scheirbaum
12/13	Pat Gates	12/27	Trey Stowe
12/15	Dayna Kerr	12/30	Shona Jones
12/17	James Miller		

Please save your Best Choice labels to support our involvement with the Cross-Lines Food Kitchen
 Labels go in the box on the shelf above the coat rack in Fellowship Hall.

We need labels by the end of November.

Would you like to see your name on the front of The Wyandotte Visitor? Sponsor the newsletter for \$50 and you will be recognized as the sponsor of the month!
 Call the church for details.

Help Raise Funds for Church Maintenance Projects

Maintaining the church building can be costly and you can help by purchasing gift cards from the Trustees.
 Orders can be turned in to Donna Leshner
 Order forms are available in the sanctuary, next to the offering box.

Our charity quilting group has grown and always needs supplies. If you have unused fabric (especially bright colors), batting, fiberfill, or thread you can spare, please consider donating it to this ministry. They will use these materials to make neck pillows, fidget blankets, lap robes, and other items to improve the comfort of many people.

Thank you for your help!