

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2020

JOIN US FOR ONLINE WORSHIP

Happy New Year!!! No, we have not lost our mind!!!! This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent and the first Sunday of the new Christian year. New year...new start....new opportunity!! We are still under restriction about gathering in person, so we continue to offer this online opportunity. We care too much for you and your safety to do anything different. Please continue to join us as we worship together and celebrate God's love and goodness in our lives online and also please continue to pray that our discernment might continue to be in the best interest of the whole and not in individual preferences.

So here are a few reminders to join us electronically this Sunday at 10:00 a.m.;

- 1.) First, make sure that you have downloaded YouTube to your device that you will be viewing from. It is available on your Smartphone, computer/laptop, Smart TV, etc. or just copy and paste <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC55h6W4msR xu83x5DvGquoQ/featured>. You should be on the **Woodridge UMC** page.
- 2.) Join us *early* to make sure that you are properly logged in and have the volume set for your preferences. We will start music playing around 9:50 a.m.. ***Worship service starts at 10:00 am..***
- 3.) An order of worship is ***attached*** for you to follow along and participate. If you have printing challenges, there are a few copies in the mailbox outside of the church office. Please feel free to pick one up. Sing along as loud as you wish and read along with the responses. This will help you to feel more connected with others.
- 4.) Please email any prayer requests to: PastorDanita@woodridgeumc.org *no later than 8:00 a.m.* on Sunday morning. We will begin the worship service sharing joys, concerns and announcements. The joys and concerns will then be shared with our Prayer Ministry Team by Monday morning.
- 5.) If you are not available at 10:00 am or cannot get the live streaming to work, a recording of the video will be posted to the Woodridge UMC YouTube page.
- 6.) Please do not forget your financial contribution to the church!!!! You can mail it, drop it in the gold mail slot by the door on the east end of the building, choose the e-giving option on the website or ***text*** your gift by using the 630-449-7121!!!!
- 7.) Drop us an email and let us know you watched so that we can keep track of our attendance numbers. Please use office@woodridgeumc.org for that. You can also give us a shoutout on any of our Facebook pages or send us a tweet on Twitter.

THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2020 we will **LIGHT UP THE NIGHT at 4:45 p.m..** The church has been surrounded in lights so that we might continue to be a beacon of light in the community, always letting our light shine for and being the Light of Christ! We will also be lighting the tree that was planted in memory of Art and Sally Thede. Don't miss this time of gathering. ***Everyone is asked to remain in your car.***

ADVENT STUDY will begin **Tuesday, December 1st at 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday, December 2nd at 6:00 p.m.** both on ZOOM. It is entitled "ALMOST CHRISTMAS" by DeVega, McIntyre, Casperson and Rawle and can be purchased at Cokesbury.com or Amazon. There is also a book of devotions that accompanies it.

Blessings and peace,
Pastor Danita