

PRAYER & PRAISE

Continue praying at 7:28 PM for the church, Pastor Charles Wells & family, and our District Superintendent Dr. Jim Bond & wife Donna.

- Hess Family
- Doug Bohlen (Has been placed on the kidney transplant list)
- Salvation for lost loved ones
- Helen Shepherd for health
- Christmastime Preparations

Don't hesitate to contact me anytime if you have a need, prayer request, or emergency. I'm here for you in good times and bad. I love you and want to support you! – Pastor Charles (903) 249-1271

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**WIFI Password:** alvanaz728

**Children's Church:** Children will be dismissed to go downstairs during our connection break.

**Text Message Service:** Get updates for everything AlvaNaz. Text "join" to (833) 284-9953, and we will ensure you are added. Send all interactions, including prayer requests, to this number.

**Offering:** Offerings are collected in the red church box in the foyer. Thank you for your generosity!

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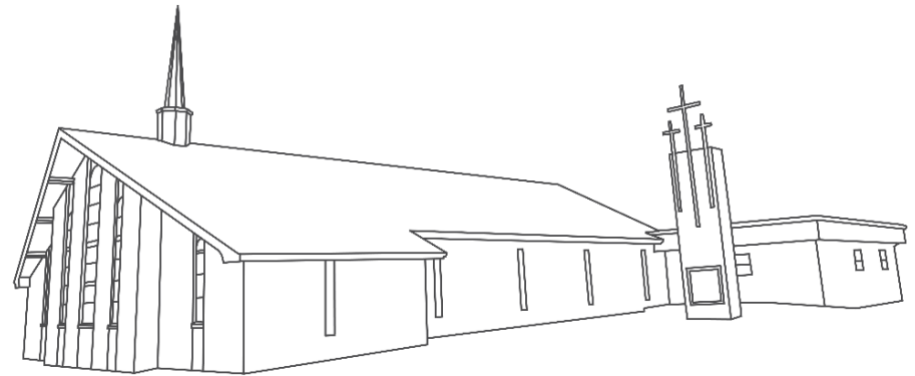
Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

Wed. \_\_\_\_\_ Ladies \_\_\_\_\_ Bible \_\_\_\_\_



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December 1, 2024



1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

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## WELCOME!

Welcome, familiar faces and new friends! Your presence lights up our congregation. To our regulars, thank you for your ongoing support. To our visitors, we're delighted to have you with us. Let's share in the spirit of fellowship, worship, and love. Your journey is now a part of ours. Welcome to our church!

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Welcome/Lighting of the 1<sup>st</sup> Advent Candle

Song: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus (*Meredith Andrews*)

Song: Light of the World (*Lauren Daigle*)

### Announcements

Song: Prepare Her Room (*Sovereign Grace*)

Song: Come Thou Font Come Thou King (*Gateway Worship*)

Prayer: Seeking God Together

Connection Break: Embracing Meaningful Fellowship Together

Gathering at the Table: The Communion Celebration

Reading of the Word: Psalm 25:1-10 (NASB)

Message from God's Word: "Hope In The Waiting"

Song: He Shall Reign Forevermore (*Chris Tomlin*)

Benediction: Have a Blessed Week!

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

**Thank you** to everyone who helped decorate our beautiful sanctuary! I pray these decorations inspire awe and bring you closer to Jesus this season, enhancing your experience of this sacred time.

**Welcome to the peaceful season of Advent**, often called "a little Lent." Like Lent, it is a time of preparation. Just as I prepare before stepping into the pulpit, we are called to prepare our hearts for the holy days

ahead. I encourage you to use the devotional books in the foyer to help you get ready to celebrate Christmas.

**As I pray for you**, I often pray that God will expand your faith, stretching us beyond our comfort zones to experience His incredible work. This Advent, let go and let God prepare you for a Christmas filled with joy and faith. Let him change you in the waiting!

**Have a great week! I love you all!** -Pastor Charles

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**December 1 @ 4 PM:** Faith & Fellowship: Sisters in Grace

**Note:** Wednesday Bible Study will be on pause during the winter months. However, the monthly Ladies' Fellowship will continue as scheduled.

**December 5 & 19 @ 6 PM:** Little Disciples Club

**December 8:** Missions Sunday

- AM Missions Moment/Children's Church
- Evening Missions Encounter @ 6 PM

**December 8** (after morning worship): Annual Holiday Dinner

**December 10:** Church Board Christmas Dinner 7:30 PM @ Cancun

**December 14:** Movie Night 4 PM – We will watch the movie "I Heard the Bells" (2022). More info next Sunday.

**December 15:** Children's Christmas Program 6 PM

**December 19:** Little Disciples Club @ 6 PM

**December 23-January 1:** Church office closed for the Christmas/New Year Holidays

**December 24:** Christmas Eve Service @ 7 PM

