



December 14th, 2014

3rd Sunday of Advent

Liberty Pole UMC Worship Service-Sunday, 9:00 A.M. Viroqua UMC Worship Service-Sunday, 10:30 A.M.

Please turn off all cell phones and electronics.

**Please stand if you are able.

PRELUDE "O COME LITTLE CHILDREN" By: J.A.P. SCHULZ
(A time to prepare for worship through prayer and meditation.)

WELCOMING WORDS
(Please sign the attendance sheets.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR" UMH NO. 218

LIGHTING OF THE THIRD ADVENT CANDLE-JOY

READER ONE: Every year we light candles as we prepare for the coming of Christ. More and more candles, more and more light, as we watch and wait for Jesus, the Light of the World.

ALL: God of Promise, come into our darkness. Renew your hope and peace and joy in us, for you alone bring life out of death.

READER TWO: Receive God's promise of joy from Psalm 28: Praise be to the LORD for he has heard my cry for mercy. The LORD is my strength and my shield.

ALL: My heart trusts in him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to him in song.

LIGHT THE CANDLES OF HOPE, PEACE & JOY TODAY WE ARE PLACING JOSEPH AS A SIGN OF JOY
(RYAN, CARRIE & HUDSON BRINKMAN @ LP) (GREGORY & MARY CHEEVER @ V)

****OPENING PRAYER** (PRAY IN UNISON)

Come into this gathering today Lord, binding up our brokenheartedness, freeing us from our shackles, releasing us from our blindness, and replacing our sadness with joy. Take off our garment of despair, Lord. And dress us with party clothes of praise! Come to us Lord Jesus: adorn us with Hope; adorn us with Gladness; adorn us with Praise. Amen

JOYS AND CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

L: Lord, in your mercy P: Hear our prayer

****HYMN** "GOOD CHRISTIAN FRIENDS, REJOICE" UMH No. 224

OFFERING "WHAT CHILD IS THIS?" BY: PAUL MANZ

****DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

**** OFFERTORY PRAYER**

LIBERTY POLE CHRISTMAS READINGS

LONG, LONG AGO; MY GIFT—BRITTANY DEAVER

IN THINE OWN HEART; A CHRISTMAS VERSE; THE FRIENDLY BEASTS; HARK THE GLAD SOUND—DALTON HARDY

THE THREE KINGS—CHANDLER VOLDEN

THE SONG OF MARY; A CHILD'S OFFERING; THAT HOLY STAR; I HAVE A LITTLE SECRET - ZACH LOHR

LIBERTY POLE UMC SUNDAY SCHOOL

PRESENTS

"THE FIRST NOEL" - BELLS

"O HOLY NIGHT"

A DUET BY BRIAN & AMANDA GARDNER, ACCOMPANIED BY HOLLY SLACK

THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

ACCOMPANIED BY BRITANY DEAVER, PIANO AND CYNDY HUBBARD, GUITAR

CONGREGATIONAL SONGS:

"WHAT CHILD IS THIS?" (LP) UMH No. 219

"JOY TO THE WORLD" (LP) UMH No. 246

CANDLE LIGHTING @ LP

VIROQUA CHRISTMAS READINGS

IN THINE OWN HEART; MY GIFT; A CHRISTMAS VERSE—*ANSEL BRENNEMAN*

HARK, THE GLAD SOUND; CHRISTMAS—*GRANT HANSON*

VIROQUA UMC SUNDAY SCHOOL

PRESENTS

“THE STORY OF JESUS’ BIRTH”

READERS: MITCHELL HANSON, MACKENZIE STALSBERG, MALLORY HANSON

CONGREGATIONAL SONG:

“GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN” (V)

UMH NO. 251

****BENEDICTION**

****BENEDICTION RESPONSE “EMMANUEL, EMMANUEL”**

UMH NO. 204

****POSTLUDE**

“A JOYOUS CAROL” BY: LEON ROGUES (V)

LIBERTY POLE UMC

VIROQUA UMC

USHERS

Arden & Lynn Zitzner

Betty Ross/Minie Hirschfield

GREETERS

Arden & Lynn Zitzner

David Peterson

LITURGIST

Cyndy Hubbard

Cavan Fang

LAST SUNDAY’S ATTENDANCE

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LAST SUNDAY’S OFFERING

\$685.50

\$3521.00

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Holly Slack (LP)

Kathy Hanson (V) & Barb Casper (V)

Choir Director

Irene Fortney

Secretary

Lisa Marsh

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 14th	Third Sunday of Advent Sunday School Christmas Program @ LP & V
Monday, December 15th	4:30 PM - Drum Practice
Tuesday, December 16th	6:00 PM - Finance Committee Meeting @ V 7:00 PM - Council Meeting @ V
Wednesday, December 17th	4-5:30 PM -Confirmation Christmas Party @ V
Sunday, December 21st	Fourth Sunday of Advent Noon - United Fellowship Chili Dinner @ V 1:00 PM - Caroling to the Nursing Homes @ V 4:00 PM - Cocoa, Cookies & Assembly of Candy Bags @ V
Monday, December 22nd	NO Drum Practice 7:00 PM - Blue Christmas @ V
Wednesday, December 24th	Christmas Eve 5:00 PM - Candle Lighting, Lessons & Carols @ V for both churches
Thursday, December 25th	Christmas Day

