



Hermiston First United Methodist Church

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We welcome ALL guests to our worship this morning.
Following our worship, please join us for a time of fellowship and a snack

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Jim Pierce

PIANIST: Judy Jenner

WORSHIP LEADER: Phil Hector

USHERS: Peggy Timms, Bob Daniel, Tim and
Linda Turner

OFFERING STEWARDS:

POWERPOINT:

SOUND SYSTEM: Carol Welch

SONGLEADERS:

COFFEE HOUR:

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Louise Kienzle

CHURCH SECRETARY: Winnie Earl

CHURCH TREASURER: Karl Ramsey

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDANT:

Rev. Erin Martin

BISHOP: Rev. Elaine Stanovsky

ORDER OF WORSHIP

First Sunday of Christmas

Welcome to First United Methodist Church of Hermiston.

We are glad you chose to worship with us.

GREETINGS & OPENING PRAYER

Liturgist

*PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES

A time for silent reflection and meditation.

*GATHERING HYMN

UMH 246

Joy to the World

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L = Liturgist

C = Congregation

L: Brothers and sisters in Christ, the Christian life is redeemed from sin and consecrated to God. Through baptism, we have entered this life and have been admitted into the new covenant of which Jesus Christ is the Mediator.

C: He sealed it with his own blood, that it might last forever.

L: On the one side, God promises to give us new life in Christ, the Source and Perfector of our faith.

C: On the other side, we are pledged to live no more for ourselves but only for Jesus Christ, who loved us and gave himself for us.

L: From time to time, we renew our covenant with God, especially when we reaffirm the Baptismal Covenant and gather at the Lord's table.

C: Today, however, we meet, as the generations before us have met, to renew the covenant that binds us to God. Let us make this covenant of God our own.

GLORIA PATRI		UMH 70
PRAYER CONCERNS		
MORNING PRAYER		Liturgist
LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)		UMH 895
FIRST SCRIPTURE	1 Peter 1: 13-21 (pew bible page 1474)	Liturgist
HYMN OF RESPONSE	Hark, The Herald Angels Sing (The congregation may remain seated)	UMH 240
OFFERTORY PRAYER		Liturgist
GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS	<p>If you are a guest in our worship this morning, please do not feel obligated to put money in the plate. While you are most welcome to participate, your donation of your time to worship with us is a gift from you to us.</p>	
*DOXOLOGY		UMH 94
SECOND SCRIPTURE	1 Peter 1: 22-25 (pew bible page 1475)	Liturgist
SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL		
*CLOSING HYMN:	Good Christian Friends, Rejoice	UMH 224
*BENEDICTION		Liturgist
*BENEDICTION RESPONSE	Go, Tell It on the Mountain (refrain only)	UMH 251
*POSTLUDE		

*Please stand if it is comfortable for you

PRAYER LIST: *Colossians 1:9 For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you...*

George Fenton; Rod and Jackie Dunlap; Rick Southard;; Members and families of those serving in the military; Amigas del Senor Mission (Prairie Cutting); Susy Dewald; Tom Harper; Chris Catelett; Amber Ramsey; Jim Mobley (Carol Welch's dad) ; Virginia Miller

Homebound/Assisted Care: Julie Wynn; George Fenton; Lela Collier; Gene Pierce



Nancy and Sue would like to thank all who participated in the Angel Tree outreach. All 12 kids from age 1.5-16 received 2 gifts each. All were received at church on time and several in our congregation inquired if all kids were receiving gifts. They were willing to buy for another child if necessary. No need; everyone came through. Sue and Nancy delivered gifts on Wednesday, Dec 19 afternoon not without its foibles but parents were very appreciative and Nancy and Sue had fun!

It's time to clean out that closet!

If you have cold weather items in your closet that still have some good wear in them, please bring them to church for our new Clothes Closet. We are especially looking for warm coats in adult sizes. Please make sure they are clean and in good condition. Bring them to church and place them in the 'Clothes Closet' box. Thank You!

