

# CASCO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Come Grow with Us!*

“A CARING COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS FOR ALL AGES”

November 27, 2016

*A Christ Centered Fellowship*

**“WE GATHER TO WORSHIP!”**

*\*If you are able, please stand.*

**PRELUDE**

**Jerry Post, Organist**

**LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES**

**GREETING AND NEWS OF THE LORD’S WORK** *Your presence and record of attendance is very important to us. Please Print your name and pass the Attendance Registration Pad to your neighbor. Visitors, may you always feel welcome as our “Special Guests!” If you will give us your full address, we would like to send you a small token of our appreciation for your worshiping with us this morning. May you always feel welcome to return! PRAYER REQUESTS-Your joys and concerns are very important to us. Please feel free to share with the Pastor/Lay Leader before or during worship.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**“Psalm 80:14-19”**

**Liturgist: Lucy Palmer**

Liturgist: “Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from heaven, and see:

**People: have regard for this vine, the stock which your right hand planted.**

Liturgist: They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down;  
may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance!

**People: But let your hand be upon those of your right hand,  
the ones whom you have made strong for yourself!**

Liturgist: Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name!

**People: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts! Let your face shine, that we may be saved!”**

**INTROIT**

**“Emmanuel, Emmanuel”**

**Chancel Choir**

**INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“O Come, All Ye Faithful”**

**No. 234**

**CHILDREN’S TIME**

**SKIT: “Be as Fowl as You Can Be”**

**Jerry Post, Director**

**“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” - Matthew 19:14** *(All 3-10 year olds who are present are invited following our “Children’s Time” to attend Church School in our “New Addition”.*

**ANTHEM**

**“Prepare the Way”**

**Chancel Choir**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND LOVE OFFERINGS**

**Offertory**

**\*The Doxology for Advent** *(tune of O Come, O Come Emmanuel)*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**“OUR MINISTRY OF CARING AND SHARING!”**

**FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER**

*(Please feel free to share your Joys and Concerns.)*

*Pastoral Prayer, Personal Meditation*

***“The Lord’s Prayer”***

*Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen!*

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

**“Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”**

**No. 224**

*(Please Use Red Hymnal)*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**“Ecclesiastes 12:9-14” (NIV)**

**Liturgist: Lucy Palmer**

**SERMON READING**

**“Isaiah 7:10-17” (NRSV)**

**Pastor Don Graham**

**\*HYMN OF DEDICATION**

**“Joy to the World”**

**No. 246**

*(During the singing of this hymn, please feel free to come forward with your monthly “World Hunger Offering”.)*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING CHORAL RESPONSE**

**“May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You”**

*(tune of Deck the Halls)*

*May the good Lord bless and keep you, Alleluia, Amen!*

*While we celebrate the season, Alleluia, Amen!*

*Come Lord Jesus, Come Lord Jesus, We await our Savior's birth.*

*Grant your peace to all the earth Alleluia, Amen!*

**POSTLUDE**

**We Respond to God’s Word and Depart from this Service to Do God’s will...**

**Children’s Church School:** All 3-10 year olds are invited to our educational wing for Sunday School immediately after our “Children’s Time” in Worship.

**Adult Bible Study:** ... following Sunday Worship at 11:15 a.m. in our Choir Room, which is located in the 2nd room on the right and on Wednesday at 10 a.m. in our Adult Classroom, 1<sup>st</sup> room on the left.

**Fellowship Time...** Please feel free to be our “GUEST” in Fellowship Hall following worship for a goodie and beverage. Let’s get better acquainted! May you always feel welcome.

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

<u>Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup></u>	9:15 am-9:45 am	Choir Practice
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary) Skit Sunday <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Hunger Offering</i>
	11:15 am	Advent Bible Study
 <u>Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup></u> <i>(Pastor Don's Day off)</i>	10:00 am	Senior Exercise <i>(Casco Twp Hall)</i>
 <u>Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup></u> <i>(Bulletin/Insert Items Due)</i>	10:00 am	"Kumjoinus" Prayer Group
	1:00-3:00 pm	Senior Cards/Games <i>(Casco Twp Hall)</i>
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
 <u>Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup></u>	9-10:00 am	H2H Backpack Packing
	10:00 am	Advent Bible Study
 <u>Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup></u>	10:00 am	H2H Delivers Food
	10:00 am	Senior Exercise <i>(Casco Twp Hall)</i>
	1:00 pm	The JOY Group (Just Older Youth) <i>(Village Market)</i>
	3:15-4:30 pm	Cub Scouts <i>(Pullman Elementary)</i>
 <u>Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup></u>	9:15 am-9:45 am	Choir Practice
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary) <i>(Holy Communion)</i>
	11:15 am	Advent Bible Study

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through Nurture,  
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**THIS WEEK – 11/27**

Altar Flowers: Open  
Children's Time: Volunteer Needed  
North Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
South Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
Ushers: Whitey Marr, Guy Rayon, Bob Oden, Steve Ellmer  
Acolytes: Laine & Gracie  
Liturgist: Lucy Palmer  
Coffee Fellowship: George & Gay Carrier  
Counters: Mike, Blanche  
Audio Tech: Guy Rayon  
Computer Tech: Jason Pettet  
Sunday School: Carolyn Thon

**IN HIS SERVICE**

**NEXT WEEK – 12/4**

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South Greeters: Volunteer Needed  
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Acolytes: Laine & Gracie  
Liturgist: Volunteer Needed  
Coffee Fellowship: Larry & Kathy Yankee  
Counters: Doug, Rachel, Nancy  
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:**

**Keep the following persons in your thoughts and prayers:** Doug Murdoch, Joan Jason, Mike Scott, Eve Woodward, Randy Lacy, The family of Del Nickle, The family of Warren Sill, Guy Rayon, Clyde Wauchek, Jerry Morris, Bill Gildner, Joan Jason, Joyce Havens, Carrie Murphy, Larry Marr, Joyce Andrews, Angie Giesler, Jim Carter, Marge Jerue, Ken Perkins, Bob Oden, Don Spencer, Jerri Walters, Clyde Wauchek, Sherry Grigg, Jerry Jerrett, Jim Liepe, Jacob Grigg, Ella Hogle, Lewis Mitchell, David Clark, Jackie Welton, Irene Dukescherer, Barbara Sutton, Diana Kark, Larry Brush, Larry Ridley, Arlene Laraway. **Our Service men and women:** Dana Vermilye, Jayare Erickson, Robert Ulmer. **Members & Friends who are shut-ins, or living in assisted living facilities, nursing homes, and health care facilities:** Roberta Alexander, Vern Long, Judy Oden.