

MEDITATION FOCUS

The light of Christ is not meant to be kept, but shared. Let us reflect on how God's light has touched our own life, our family, our church, our community, and the world.

PRELUDE "O Come All Ye Faithful" by Pentatonix

*OPENING PRAISE

HYMN "Go Tell It On The Mountain" UMH #251

HYMN "Sing We Now Of Christmas" (V's 1, 4, 5) UMH #237

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Long ago, a star rose in the night sky, announcing good news.

People: Today, we gather to worship the Christ revealed to all people.

Leader: Wise ones journeyed far, guided by wonder and faith.

People: We come seeking Jesus, offering our hearts in worship.

Leader: God's promise shines through Christ, a light for the nations.

People: We receive His light with joy and thanksgiving.

Leader: Let us bow before the newborn King, revealed in glory.

People: We worship Christ our Lord, the Light of the world.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG "Hark the Herald Angel Sing" UMH #240

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 31:7-14 & Matthew 2:1-12

MESSAGE Pastor Brian Comiskey
"Wise Men and Women Still Seek Him"

MESSAGE SONG "Manger Throne" by Phil Wickham

SONG "We Three Kings" UMH #454

BENEDICTION

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

DEC. 28: 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 WORSHIP

2:00 YOUTH

29:12 NOON AA

6:15 WEIGHTS

6:45 YOGA

30: 8:00 AA

31: **NEW YEARS EVE**

8:00 AA

JANUARY 1, 2026

OFFICE CLOSED



2: 8:00 AA

3: 10-4 THRIFT STORE

12 NOON AA

4: 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 WORSHIP W/ Lenny Wixson

2:00 YOUTH

Please Continue to Keep In Your Prayers : We lift up the leadership of our nation and the men and women serving the Armed Forces, as well as the leaders and people of other nations.

Deb & Troy Bongard and family on the loss of Deb's mother

Rose Musser and family as they deal with the loss of her nephew

Maezie Bauer diagnosed with Sturge Weber syndrome (niece of Scott Vanhoose)

Prayers for continued healing for Diane Ellsworth, Josh Enfield, Kathy Traywick

Those with Parkinson's, Diabetes, Alzheimer's & Lupus and other chronic diseases. Those

who have been diagnosed with Cancer: Linda Green (Elaine Green's daughter in-law),

Patty (Humphrey) Hazen

OUR SHUT-INS.....

Pioneer Golden Estates:

Marge Dickey Glenda Baker

Sue Neff (memory care)

Carol Beatty Ruth Jones

Larry Wyman Sr.

The Brook, Gladwin:

Jean Burrows

Americana Seniors of Clare

Jan Brandon (formerly prestige place)

Champion Gate Assisted Living in Florida

Ron & Marilyn Lovell

In Their Own Home:

Barb Everts

Brenda Longstreth

Gayle White

Lou & Rita Bryans

Bill & Barb Manderbach

Bob Musser Jean Blow,

Erma Johnson

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**ATTENDANCE
LAST SUNDAY,
DEC 21: 98**

REVOLVING FUND GIVING FOR THE MONTH OF NOV. 2025

DAYCARE BUILDING: \$310 TECH SUPPORT: \$700 UMCOR/Disaster

Relief : \$170 CAMP: \$210 COFFEE HOUR/HOSPITALITY: \$213

INSURANCE EMERGENCY FUND: \$100 PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY
FUND: \$85

THRIFT STORE: \$262 PCCC OPER: \$2,270 SATURDAY SOUP:

\$100.90 LOVE OFFERING: \$30 PRISON COFFEE: \$70

THANKSGIVING DINNER: \$215 FIC: \$40

OUR EXTRA MILE GIVING FOR DECEMBER FOR SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW, WHO FREELY PROVIDES ADVENT BOOKLETS AND LENTEN BOOKLETS FREE OF CHARGE TO US EVERY YEAR AND TO REPLENISH OUR PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

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MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD

In December we will be collecting: Printer paper Post-it Notes, Envelopes, Tape, Scotch, mailing, duct, masking etc.) Staples, Paper clips & binder clips, Pens, Scissors (Children's & Adult sized) Band-Aids, Batteries, Swifter Mop Pads, Febreze, for our Preschool/Childcare Center



COMMUNITY WILD GAME DINNER(FREE)

January 17th

at 6 p.m.

in the Clare

**United Methodist Church,
105 E. Seventh Street,
Fellowship Hall**



Clare United Methodist Church *1st Sunday After Christmas* *December 28, 2025*



CLARE UMC'S MISSION:

**Making Disciples of Jesus
by Helping People Know God,
Grow in Faith, and Share Christ's Love.**