

Anthron Community Methodist Church

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson

January 28, 2024 10:00 PM

Prelude and Lighting of Altar Candles

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Song "All Creatures of Our God and King" UMH# 52

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Marilyn Hladik

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

P: Worship God with gladness.

L: Come into God's presence with singing.

P: We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.

L: Give thanks to the Lord and bless God's holy name.

P: For God's steadfast love is present now and endures forever.

AMEN.

Opening Prayer

Tender, comforting Shepherd, your steadfast love is present in this place and resides within each of us. But sometimes it is hard, so very hard, to open ourselves to your love. We feel like scattered sheep, frightened and alone. Help us know your loving presence as we live as your gathered community. Enlighten our hearts, that we may know the hope to which we have been called. AMEN.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading Psalm 100: 1-5 UMH #395

Second Reading Apostle's Creed UMH #881

Children's Story Kathy Hodgdon

Hymn of Preparation "Take Time to be Holy UMH #395

Gospel Reading

Luke 15: 4-7

Tim Hoy

1 Peter: 2-25

Today's Message

"Finding Lost Sheep"

Tim Hoy

God Calls Us to Respond

**PRAYERS OF THE PASTOR AND PEOPLE (Joys and Concerns)
The Lord's Prayer**

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology #95,**

Prayer of Dedication

All: Holy One, you have given us all that we have and all that we are.

Through these gifts and in our lives, help us be the shepherds and healers and lovers that you are calling us to be. AMEN.

Closing Hymn "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" UMH #430

Ministers.....EVERYONE!

Lay Pastor.....Shirley Nelson

Liturgist.....Marilyn Hladik

Organist/Pianist.....Eileen Van Meeteren

IN THE CIRCLE OF OUR CONCERN:

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Nina Osborne, Tom & Cindy Herrick, Fran & Keith Determann, David Beach, Ed Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta Patterson, Ralph Diamond, Trisha Theisen, Keith Allman, Brady Gothier, Tylene Zevenbergen, Eleanore Lewis, Jean Petersen, Rick Gubbels, Lana Kropf, Ronica Mitchell, and Tracy Lewis

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

Please let us know if anyone should be added or removed from this list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

January 29: SPRC committee Meeting, 6:30 pm, committee members, please try and attend.

February 11: Super Bowl Sunday is coming! We will have our annual Souper Bowl event. Plan now to bring a crockpot of soup and vote for your favorite.

February 12: Finance, Ad Board Meeting 7:00

February 14: Ash Wednesday service 7:00 pm

Missions: Our present mission will be gathering Blankets, food, paper products for the Warming Shelter, Gospel Mission and other programs in the area who needs help this winter. If you know of a needy program, please contact Shirley or Marilyn.

Jan. Readers: Feb. 4-Autum Hansen.

Jan. Children's Story: Feb. 4-Rhonda Beeson.

Weekly Birthdays and Anniversaries: Lyle Schram; Jim Vaughn (31), Sue Wilson (3).

Jan/Feb. Upper Room Devotionals are on the table in the Fellowship Hall.

Anthon Military: To our men and women in uniform.... past, present and future, God Bless You and Thank You!

If you have a loved one connected to the service, please let us know.

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There will be more
JOY in heaven over ONE
sinner who repents than over
ninety-nine just persons who
need NO repentance.

~ Luke 15:7 ~