

# MILLARD COMMUNITY COVENANT CHURCH

9:00 a.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship Service

December 22-29, 2024

## **Sundays at Millard**

Worship service begins at 10:00 a.m. Our service can be viewed live (or later) on our <u>YouTube Sunday</u> <u>Worship playlist</u>. Upon request, an audio of the sermon is available by CD or view it on our <u>website</u>.

Blue Christmas: "It's the most wonderful time of the year!" Can you hear Andy Williams crooning? While that song is one of my nostalgic favorites, the reality is that the holidays are difficult for many of us. Whether because of grief, strained relationships, stress, or the shortage of daylight, this can be a tough time of year. Feeling the pressure to be extremely jolly all the time only makes us feel worse! You are invited to our Blue Christmas service of hope where forced merriment is not encouraged.
Sunday, December 22 at 5:30 pm, join us to worship

**Poinsettias** have been given in memory of Ken Rowley, Percy & Joyce Aldrich, Sue Bjork, Russell Schut, Michael James Dillner, Matthew Christopher Fletcher, the Dillner/Schleiger parents and grandparents, Nancy Spaulding, Matthew Schleich, Tom Marshall, and Don and Elsie Schoenbeck.

**Sunday School Update:** The adult class will take a break until the new year. All ages will take a break on December 29.

Congregational Annual Meeting January 26, after worship service. We will be voting on our Slate of Officers at this time; Dustin Radloff is on the ballot for Trustee, and there are openings for Deacons/Deaconesses positions.

and cling to Christ's light.

Watch for Board Meeting Recap in the next newsletter.

## **Upcoming Events**

**Youth Fun Night** is at the Bruns house **December 20, 5-8 pm**, RSVP to Ashleigh; all are welcome!

The **Choir Cantata** has a powerful message of the meaning of Christmas. Join us at 10 am on Sunday, December 22 for the story in song.



Thank you to our young people of the church for 'Lessons and Carols' last Sunday. Special thanks to leaders Michelle Morgan and Brit Radloff.



#### Happy Birthday!

December 22	LouAnn Getzen
December 28	Amanda Noehl
January 1	Fred Lawton
January 1	Corey Bruns
January 2	Jason Rice
January 7	Michelle Buelow
January 9	Donna Marshall

#### **Happy Anniversary**

December 23	Jim and Carol Dillner
December 31	David and Judy Boyd

## If you're looking for year-end tax deductions, consider a donation to Millard Community Covenant Church.



Christmas Eve by candlelight is a very special night! Hear from God's word and sing carols with your church family, while welcoming visitors!

The offering will go to Heifer International (along with funds raised from the Sunday School ornament project). We'd like to have cookies and hot chocolate after the worship service. Let us know if you can bring some cookies.

Dominican Republic Mission Trip: We are collecting supplies: salad dressing packets, brownie and cake mix, chocolate chips, hand soap refills, jelly, popcorn, zip lock bags, school supplies and more. See list in the Fellowship Hall or talk to Mary Anderson.

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#### Sunday, December 22

Advent Candle Lighter/Reader: Bruns Family
Scripture: Ps 98:4-9, Luke 1:46-55 Bruns Family
"Silent Night! Holy Night!" Millard Choir
Greeters/Ushers: Bruns Family
Sound/Video: Jan Baker
Coffee Set Up: Donna Marshall

#### 5:30 p.m. Blue Christmas

A Service of Hope Greeters: Janet Muzatko Sound/Video: Doug Muzatko

#### Tuesday, Dec 24, Christmas Eve 7pm

Advent Candle Light/Read: Anderson/Radloff Family Scripture: Luke 2:1-14, Mary Anderson Msg: "Prince of Peace", Pastor Chris Greeters/Ushers: **NEEDED** Sound/Video: Brit Radloff

#### Sunday, December 29

Scripture: Psalm 23; Reader: **NEEDED**Msg: Happy New Year!, Pr. Dave Auker
Greeters/Ushers: **NEEDED**Sound/Video: Jan Baker
Coffee Set Up: Barb Papcke

### Sunday, January 5

Scripture: Ephesians 3:1-12; Reader: NEEDED

Msg: Joint Heirs, Pr. Sharon

Greeters/Ushers: NEEDED

Sound/Video: NEEDED

Coffee Set Up: Barb Papcke

Communion: Carol, Jan, Sally

Thank you for serving God through this church— Millard Community Covenant Church!

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