

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF GILLETTE

December 14, 2025

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Zimmerman Family

Call to Worship  
One: Today there is good news for us to behold!  
ALL: Those who feared that they were worth little to God have found blessing in God’s sight.  
One: For in the mercy and love of God, the blind shall see, the lame shall walk without pain, those who could not hear shall be blessed with hearing, and there shall be peace.  
ALL: God’s mercy and love is poured out for our parched souls.  
One: Behold! The Lord’s compassion is with God’s people.  
ALL: Believe in the power of God in all things. AMEN.

Opening Prayer

O Lord, you know the deserts and the parched places in our lives. We seek your healing power. Lead us on this Advent journey to the place of new birth and to the place of our redemption; for we ask this in Jesus’ Name. AMEN.

Opening Hymn It Came Upon a Midnight Clear UMH 218

Scripture Reading Psalm 146:5-10

Sing the Children forward: Away in a Manger vs 1 UMH 217  
Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

Children’s time

Scripture Reading Matthew 11:2-11

Message John, Prison, and Jesus Rev. Cory Young

Hymn Good Christian Friends, Rejoice UMH 224

Prayers of the People

Reflection I Surrender All (Vs 1 and refrain) UMH 354

Pastoral Prayer

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 the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Closing Hymn Marching to Zion UMH 733

Benediction

Postlude

Building Communities in Love



Date:  
Name:  
Address:  
Email:  
Phone:  
  
Please mark all that apply  
  
I have been looking for and have seen God at work this week. \_\_\_\_\_

Today I spoke with someone I usually do not have a conversation with. \_\_\_\_\_

I feel welcome here \_\_\_\_\_

I am a visitor \_\_\_\_\_

I am seeking a Church home \_\_\_\_\_

I give electronically \_\_\_\_\_

I would like more information on electronic giving \_\_\_\_\_

I would like a call/visit from the Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

*Hymnals are available on the back tables. "UMH" denotes the hardbound United Methodist Hymnal.*

*"FWS" denotes the thinner, soft covered Faith We Sing song books. "W&S" denotes the green, soft cover Worship and Song books.*

*We love kids at FUMC! Children are welcome to remain in the sanctuary during worship.*

*A changing table may be found in the bathroom near the east entrance.*

We joyously welcome all who have come to worship here!

**We Walk with Christ & are Transformed Through Our . . .**

### **Prayers**

Roy, Marge, a Teen in Crisis, Cousin  
Karen, friend of Kelani,

12/7/2025

### *Giving*

Offering On Sunday	\$6,606.00
Needed Each Week	\$3,937.47
Difference +/-	\$2,668.53
Offering YTD	\$182,006.89
Budget This YTD	\$192,936.03
Difference +/-	\$(10,929.14)

### *Expenditures*

Budget This YTD	\$192,936.03
Expenditures YTD	\$182,681.12
Difference +/-	\$10,254.91
Giving vs. Expenditures	\$(674.23)
BOCES	\$48.41

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### **Presence**

Worship Services 8am and 9:15 am

### **Service**

We strive to live out our Faith in  
service to our Church, our Community,  
and our World.

### **Witness**

Show God's love to all we meet  
Invite others to Church!

### **Gifts**

11/30/2025

General.....\$1752.00

*Thanks to you all for your continuing  
generosity. Your commitment to keep up  
with your giving is vital to the life of the  
church. If you need an offering envelope,  
they are located on the back tables Again,  
Thank You.*

First United Methodist Church is...

Building a Christian community where  
followers of Jesus advance God's  
mission

for all creation by...

**reaching up to God,  
reaching across to our neighbor,  
and reaching out to the world.**

# Third Sunday of Advent



# Joy