Lighting of the Advent Candle

We light a candle for joy. May it light the Way.

*Worship with Song

Angels from the Realms of Glory UMH, 220

*Passing of the Peace

*Worship with Song

Angels We Have Heard on High UMH, 238

To Breathe God In

Children's Church

Reading of Scripture Luke 2.8-20, NRSVue

Hymn of Preparation:

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks
UMH, 236

Reading of Scripture Luke 7.36-50, NRSVue

Words from the past made new to us today

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Message Wonder in the Fields

Rev. Dr. Vaughn Thurston-Cox

Worship with Music & Reflection

Never Was a Child So Lovely

Appalachian Carol Jenny Lynn Girvan

And to become the Breath of God in Community

Worship with our Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offertory Joy to the World

G.F. Handel, setting by John Carter

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Worship with Prayer

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,
for ever and ever

Hymn of Blessing

Amen.

O Little Town of Bethlehem UMH, 230

Benediction

Thank You for Serving

Pastor Rev. Dr. Vaughn Thurston-Cox

LiturgistBart ZachrichAdvent CandlesTim BaranyMusicianSandi KerstenSoloistJenny Lynn GirvanSong LeadersKen & Elaine Konyha

Ushers Harry Barter & Patti Davidson

Tech Keith Danielson, Dan Girvan,

& John Faas





SUNDAY, December 24

- ⇒ 10:30 am, Worship, Sanctuary
- ⇒ 11:30 am, Fellowship Time
- \Rightarrow 6 pm, Christmas Eve Service, Celebration of Scripture & Song, Sanctuary

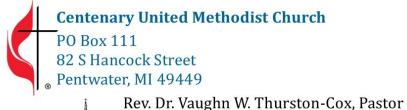
MONDAY, December 25 Office Closed for the Christmas Holiday

WEDNESDAY, December 27,

Community Dinner, 4:30 Take-Out, 5-6 Dine-In

THURSDAY, December 28, 12 - 6 pm, Red Cross Blood Drive, Wesley Room

FRIDAY, December 29, 10:30 am, Prayers & Squares, Wesley & Music Rooms





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The Breath of God in Community

December 24, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

We Gather Together

Prelude Silent Night

Franz Gruber, setting by John Carter

Welcome & Announcements

For Worship

*Call to Worship

Sing, choirs of angels.

Sing in exaltation.

Let the shepherds in the fields rejoice.

Let the stars in the sky worship the newborn king.

For heaven has come down to earth.

Salvation has come to our homes this day.

Sing, choirs of angels.

Sing in exaltation.

*Please stand