

# First Up

**The Days Are Surely Coming**  
**Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**November 23, 2025**



**WOE TO THE  
SHEPHERDS**

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## Worship

### Welcome

### Centering Words

Leader: God says: Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! I myself will gather my flock and bring them back to their fold.

**People: This is our Faith.**

Leader: God Says: I will raise up for David a righteous branch, who shall reign and deal wisely and execute justice and righteousness in the land.

**People: This is our Faith.**

Leader: By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us to give light to those who sit in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

**People: This is our Faith.**

### Song

"Christ Our King"

### The Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

### The Gospel Lesson

Luke 1:68-79

"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his child David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. Thus he has shown the mercy promised

## **PRAYERS**

### **CONCERNS SHARED**

MARISSA ROWE, NIECE OF  
BARBARA KRAUSE  
WR MILLER  
MACE WILLIAMS  
EMILY & JANE, NIECE  
& FRIEND OF MARY MAXINE  
ALL IN NEED OF PRAYERS

### **THOSE IN MEMORY CARE**

JACK GAUNT PAT STAVER

### **OUR MILITARY**

CDR JAMES BEATY  
SMAN KEVIN CLUTE  
LTC KEVIN FIELD  
HM2 KIM FOUNTAIN  
AWR1 ISAIAH HALE  
MSG ANTHONY MAURO  
SMAN BEN RIDINGS  
LCDR ALEX TURCO  
TSGT GERALD WELKER

## **WORSHIP TEAM**

### **SCG CREATION**

KORY PRITCHETT

### **LIVE STREAM**

RILEY SCHELLINGERHOUT

### **SLIDES**

BRIAN MARTIN

### **SOUND BOARD**

DUSTIN COOLMAN

### **ACOUSTIC GUITAR**

KORY PRITCHETT

### **BASS GUITAR**

BECCA PRITCHETT

### **DRUMS**

CADE QUINN

### **ELECTRIC GUITAR**

NICK CLINKENBEARD

### **KEYS**

RYAN MADDEN

### **VOCAL**

AMANDA HEDDEN

KAREN HULL

PAIGE CLINKENBEARD

to our ancestors and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness in his presence all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins. Because of the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to shine upon those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Leader: The Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Song**

"Be Thou My Vision"

### **Prayer**

Come once again, and feed your flock like a shepherd. Come once again, and gather up the children, the oppressed, the sick, the lonely, the humble, and the rejected of the earth. Turn our hearts to the least of your children, for if we lose them, we become lost. Reconcile us to you and to those we have hurt. On this Christ the King Sunday, join us together with neighbors, with strangers, and especially with our own household. Bring us to your light in our time of darkness, through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Adapted from First Sunday of Advent Prayers and Litanies, posted on the Ministry Matters website, [www.ministrymatters.com/](http://www.ministrymatters.com/); reposted on re:Worship, <https://reworship.blogspot.com/2013/10/advent-prayer-come-once-again.html>.

## **Service**

### **Message to Young Disciples**

### **The Message**

Pastor Duane Carlisle

### **The 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

## GIVING



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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.

## Invitation to Generosity and Peace

### Song

“Not For A Moment”

## Ending

TO BE PUT ON THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENT  
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## Christ Our King

by Andy Gullahorn, Corey Voss, Ike Ndolo, Ricky Vazquez, and Sarah...

### Verse 1

We are the heartbeat, You are the love  
We are the fallen, You raise us up  
We are the voices  
You are the song we sing

### Verse 2

We are thirsty, You are the well  
We are the hungry, You are the bread  
We are Your children, You know our ev'ry need  
You are our King

### Chorus

Christ, Redeemer, the Center of ev'ry - thing  
Christ, our Healer, giver of hope and peace  
The only One who ever could set us free  
Christ our King, Christ our King

### Verse 3

We are the longing, awaiting the dawn  
You are the Shepherd, leading us on  
Blessed Messiah, home for the wander - ing  
You are our King

### Verse 4

We are the body, the work of Your hands  
Living re - minders of Your love for man  
So, help us to live out that love  
So others might see, You are our King

### Tag

Oh, Christ our King, Christ our King

## Be Thou My Vision

by Mary Elizabeth Byrne and Eleanor Henrietta Hull

### Verse 1

Be Thou my vision  
O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me  
Save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought  
By day or by night  
Waking or sleeping  
Thy presence my light

### Verse 2

Be Thou my wisdom  
Be Thou my true Word  
I ever with Thee  
And Thou with me Lord  
Thou my great Father  
I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling  
And I with Thee one

### Verse 3

Riches I heed not  
Nor man's empty praise  
Thou mine inheritance  
Now and always  
Thou and Thou only  
Be first in my heart  
High King of heaven  
My treasure Thou art

### Verse 4

High King of heaven  
When vict'ry is won  
May I reach heaven's joys  
O bright heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart  
Whatever befall  
Still be my vision  
O Ruler of all

# **Not For A Moment**

by Meredith Andrews, Mia Fieldes, and Jacob Sooter

## Verse 1

You were reaching through the storm  
Walking on the water  
Even when I could not see  
In the middle of it all  
When I thought You were a thousand miles away  
Not for a moment did You forsake me  
Not for a moment did You forsake me

## Chorus 1

After all You are constant  
After all You are only good  
After all You are sov'reign  
Not for a moment will You forsake me  
(Not for a moment will You forsake me)

## Verse 2

You were singing in the dark  
Whispering Your promise  
Even when I could not hear  
I was held in Your arms  
Carried for a thousand miles to show  
Not for a moment did You forsake me

## Misc 1 (BRIDGE)

And ev'ry step ev'ry breath You are there  
Ev'ry tear ev'ry cry ev'ry prayer  
In my hurt at my worst when my world falls down  
Not for a moment will You forsake me  
Even in the dark  
Even when it's hard  
You will never leave me (after all)

## Misc 2 (ENDING)

Not for a moment will You forsake me

## GET INVOLVED

### Spread Christmas Joy

On Saturday, Dec. 13, FUMC and other congregations will invite struggling parents to select free toys, gift certificates and food for their holiday celebrations. We call it Jubilee Christmas, which is organized by Lafayette Urban Ministry.

Here's how you can help:

- Donate a Toy: Bring a new, unwrapped toy (ages 0-12) to the marked bins in the Missions corner by Wed, Dec. 10. Or order from Amazon and have them deliver to the church, 1700 Mitch Daniels Blvd, W Laf, IN 47906. Here's a wish list to get you started <https://a.co/hpg4JkJ>
- Donate cookies: Bring nut-free cookies for families to take home by Fri., Dec. 12.
- Give financially: Make checks to FUMC with "LUM Jubilee" in the memo.
- Volunteer: Help sort toys by age before the event, assist parents with shopping, repackage cookies, or help from 8:30 AM-noon on event day.

Contact: Ronda at [rkroeschen@fumcwl.org](mailto:rkroeschen@fumcwl.org) or 765-743-1285

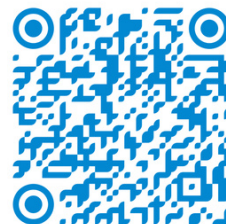


### More Holiday Magic

- Monday, Nov. 29, 1 PM-?: Decorate! Deck the halls at FUMC.
- Saturday, Dec. 6, 9-11 AM: Breakfast with Santa. For kids and their adult elves. Enjoy crafts, cookies and community.

### We All Do Our Part

- Signup to assist or donate food for our 1st Sunday by clicking the link in the weekly e-newsletter clicking on the QR code or contact Tim Delworth, [delworth@purdue.edu](mailto:delworth@purdue.edu).
- Our Greeter Team is looking for members for both services. Contact John Norberg, [jbnorberg@purdue.edu](mailto:jbnorberg@purdue.edu) or 765-426-5474.
- Our Hospitality Team brews coffee at 8:30 AM. Sundays, sets out other beverages and treats, and then cleans up at 11:15 AM. The signup sheet is on the counter in the coffee area.
- Office help is appreciated. If you can give two hours (1 to 3 PM) on Thursdays, let Jeanne Norberg know at [jnorberg@purdue.edu](mailto:jnorberg@purdue.edu). Our next open slot is Dec. 11.



### Feeding Our Neighbors

- For the Food Pantry, send your check to Mary Alice Bauman, Treasurer, Tippecanoe County United Food Pantry, Sullivan St., W. Laf., IN 47906.
- For our 72 partner families from Edgelea, Klondike and Freedom schools, contribute to FUMC and designate it for Family Food Boxes.



# Upcoming Events

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| <b>NOV<br/>22</b> | <b>We're Out</b><br>1-5 PM narthex, sanctuary, ac                                                                                                      |
| <b>NOV<br/>27</b> | <b>Thanksgiving</b><br>Office closed on Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving                                                                    |
| <b>NOV<br/>29</b> | <b>Hanging of the Greens</b><br>1 PM                                                                                                                   |
| <b>NOV<br/>30</b> | <b>First Sunday of Advent</b>                                                                                                                          |
| <b>DEC<br/>2</b>  | <b>VNS Christmas Concert</b><br>5:30-7 PM narthex, sanctuary                                                                                           |
| <b>DEC<br/>5</b>  | <b>ACORN New Performance Festival</b><br>7:30 PM ac, sanctuary                                                                                         |
| <b>DEC<br/>6</b>  | <b>Breakfast with Santa</b><br>9-11 AM ac, narthex, kitchen<br><br><b>ACORN New Performance Festival</b><br>2:30 PM and 7:30 PM narthex, ac, sanctuary |
| <b>DEC<br/>7</b>  | <b>1st Sunday Brunch</b><br>10-11 AM                                                                                                                   |
| <b>DEC<br/>10</b> | <b>Euchre</b><br>6 PM narthex                                                                                                                          |
| <b>DEC<br/>13</b> | <b>LUM Jubilee Christmas</b><br>9 AM - noon narthex, ac, kitchen                                                                                       |