

YOU are WELCOME HERE!

No matter who you are, where you are from, how you are dressed, . . . You are in a judgment-free place.

Your CHILDREN are WELCOME HERE!

Welcome to join in worship, wiggles, joyful noise too!  
(If needed, a nursery is available)

OUR MISSION as a Church

is the mission given us by Jesus Christ, who commanded  
"Go and make disciples of all nations . . . teaching them to obey  
everything I've commanded you."  
(Matthew 28:19-20)

because disciples of Christ can change the world for the good

COMMUNION each 1st Sunday

As a United Methodist Church, ours is an open table---  
all are welcome to participate who love or seek Jesus Christ  
and are a peace with their neighbors. Children are welcome too.

## Tecumseh United Methodist Church

Rev. Mark Alan Miller, pastor  
Wilnella Bush, organist and vocal music director  
Richard Randolph, handbell choirs director  
Mary Ann Nikolich, administrative assistant

Worship: 10:00am Sunday  
Office Hours: M-F 9:00am-3:00pm

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Tecumseh United Methodist Church  
Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

# Welcome to Worship!

December 9, 2018

2nd Sunday of Advent

## Greetings & Announcements

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*Please take a moment to sign the attendance pad as it is passed to you. Thank you.*

## Gathering to Praise God

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### Music as We Begin Worship

"title" - [composer/arranger]

### Illumination of the Advent Wreath

Theme ~ Peace

Bible Reading ~ Mathew 1:18-21

Lighting of the Candle(s)

Reading & Prayer

Song ~ hymnal #203

*(please stand as able)*

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

## Proclamation of God's Word

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### Children's Lesson

### Choir

"title" - [composer/arranger]

Bible Readings ~ Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 3:1-6

Message ~ Prepare the Way: REFINE

## Thanksgiving & Response to God's Word

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### Offering

Prayer to Bless the Offering

Music ~ "title" - [composer/arranger]

## Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns & Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, Your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

## Mission Moment

Consecration and blessing of donations to the Tecumseh Service Club  
and quilts to be given away to people in need

## Going Forth to Love and Serve the Lord

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Song ~ hymnal #249

*(please stand)*

"There's a Song in the Air"

## Blessing

## Music

"title" - [composer/arranger]

## Notes, Profound Thoughts, Scribbles, Mental Meanderings . . .

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### Who's Doing What Today

*Musical Direction & Accompaniment:* Wilnella Bush

*Reader(s):* [name]      *Sound:* [name]

*Greeters:* [name], [name]

*Ushers:* [name], [name], [name], [name]

*Counters:* [name], [name]

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

## Small (but mighty) Groups at Tecumseh UMC

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### **Sunday School**

A place to deepen faith through learning in classes for all ages, which meet following worship on Sunday.

### **Prayer Team**

This group **meets at 9:10am Sundays in the Tecumseh UMC Library** for prayer before worship. Come!

### **Women of Faith**

We meet the **4<sup>th</sup> Monday** of each month at **7pm** in a fun, friendly atmosphere while working on a variety of mission projects throughout the year. We meet in the church library.

## Make a Commitment

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### **To Jesus Christ as his disciple**

Join up with Jesus as Lord and Savior or renew your commitment to him.

### **To this church through Membership**

If you are taking part in the life of this church but are not a member, please consider joining. Talk to Pastor Mark

## Financial Giving to and Through Tecumseh UMC

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### **Offering During Worship**

The plates collect for the many works of the church. The "Penny Power" baskets collect loose change for an emergency fund that helps local people in need.

**Automatic Electronic Funds Transfer** is available. For more information, please contact the church office (Mary Ann) at 517-423-2523.

Please remember Tecumseh UMC in your **estate planning**.

**Emergency Relief & Recovery** is done through the United Methodist

Committee on Relief (**UMCOR**), who mobilizes worldwide to provide help when disaster strikes. Donations to their **domestic** and **international** general funds helps them be ready to respond at a moment's notice.

## Events This Week

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### Announcements

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**Advent Study ~ The Wonder of Christmas** – Come and join in as we give ourselves the opportunity to experience the wonder of Christmas that we often miss in the noise and glitter of the holiday season.  
**Wednesdays at 12:00pm or 7:00pm** in the TUMC Library.  
Jump in any time!