

# Laingsburg United Methodist Church

## Hangings of the Greens

Today after worship.

Help us decorate our church for the Advent season. This is a fun fellowship activity as well as making our church warm and festive for visitors and members.

Jeff's famous chili will be served! Please stay and share in the fun!



*Nurturing disciples of Jesus Christ in intentional Christian community through outreach, fellowship, worship, discovery and service.*

- LUMC Missional Focus

*Ring Back the Joy with a  
Classical Bells Christmas*



**Classical Bells Concert**  
Saturday, December 11 at 7:00 pm  
at Laingsburg UMC

Tickets are \$10.  
See Jessie Sebenick or a member of  
the youth group for tickets.

Proceeds benefit the Core Youth Group.  
Masks will be required for this event.

## Longest Night Service

Tuesday, December 21  
7:00 pm

The holidays are a difficult time for some people who may be grieving or just going through a rough time. Come and share music, scripture, prayers as we remember that Jesus' birth is a time of hope for all people.

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*First Sunday of Advent: Hope*

*"An Advent Adventure"*

*John Peck † November 28, 2021 † 10am*

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**WELCOMING & GATHERING**

**PRELUDE** Chong Zheng

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*** (*Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25:1-10*)

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,  
when I will cause a righteous Branch to spring forth  
and bring my promised salvation to Israel.

**The Lord is our righteousness.**

The days are surely coming, says our God,  
when justice and mercy will be executed  
throughout the land.

**The Lord is our righteousness.**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord,  
when my promised one will teach transgressors my ways,  
and heal the world with love and mercy.

**The Lord is our righteousness.**

**OPENING HYMN\*** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" UMH 211

**LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE** (*by Derek Weber*) Holyfield Family

**Reader One:** We feel like tired and scared shark hunters, alone on a boat in the middle of sea. We don't know if we have the strength to face what is before us, hunting us, hurting us. We huddle around a table in this hold of a leaky vessel, and we sing what comes to mind.

**Reader Two:** Show me the way to go home, I'm tired and I want to go to bed. I had a little drink about an hour ago and it's gone right to my head. Wherever I may roam on land or sea or foam, you can always hear me singing a song: show me the way to go home.

**Reader One:** Home. The prophet Jeremiah speaks of a branch that will be raised. Jesus spoke of a Son of Man that will descend. Both point to a hope – a hope that calls us home. Our true home, where we're welcomed and loved and included, where there is justice and equality and peace. It's time, this Advent season, time to go home.

**Reader Two:** We light this candle, as a sign of our hope, our strong hope that there is a way to go home. To the home in Christ, and it starts with us, and it starts here, and it starts now. It's time to go home.

*Light the first candle.*

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** "Where Children Belong" TFWS 2233

**MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

**CHAPELAIRE CHOIR ANTHEM**

**INVITATION TO GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

The Offertory  
The Doxology\* (UMH 95)  
The Prayer of Dedication\*

**SCRIPTURE STORY** Jeremiah 33:14-16  
Luke 21:25-36

**SERMON** *An Advent Adventure* John Peck

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH 196

**GUIDED AND PASTORAL PRAYER**

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 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.

**CLOSING HYMN\*** "People, Look East" UMH 202

**BLESSING\***

**POSTLUDE** Chong Zheng

\* Please stand as able

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*Everyone is welcome to stay after worship for a time of refreshments, conversations and community.*

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During our Worship Service, the nursery room is available for children, accompanied by a parent. Please know that ALL children are welcome in worship.

## Praying for Our Church

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, you can email or telephone requests to Pat Hibbard ([hibbardlph@aol.com](mailto:hibbardlph@aol.com) or 989-834-2119), or contact the church office.

### Keeping Others in Prayer:

Joyce Rowley	Haiti missionaries kidnapped
Malcolm (cancer)	(praise for 2 who were released)
Rodney (health)	Carrie
Steve	Michael
Diane Nichols (kidney)	Missy

### Additional Prayer List:

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### Birthdays and Anniversaries:

Dec 4: Lois Hartwick

### Coffee Hour Hosts:

Nov 28: Jessie Sebenick

Dec 5: Pat Hibbard

(If you are not currently on the schedule for Coffee Hour and would be willing to help, please contact the church office.)

### Discover More Online:

Church Website: [www.Laingsburgumc.org](http://www.Laingsburgumc.org)

Follow us at [Facebook.com/laingsburgumc](https://www.facebook.com/laingsburgumc)

### Contact the Church About Any Ministry or Program You're Interested in Learning More About

Phone: (517) 651-5531 Church Email: [Laingsburgumc@gmail.com](mailto:Laingsburgumc@gmail.com)

### Office Hours

Monday – Thursday, 9:30am-2:30pm. Closed on Fridays.  
(Pastoral Care Appointments can be made by appt. with Pastor Tiffany)

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Week of Sunday, November 28, 2021

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### A Note about Wearing Masks:

For the safety of all, we continue to ask those who are not yet vaccinated to wear masks in our facilities, and encourage you to get vaccinated. We also respect that more and more people may wish to mask in public places such as this, and we have a section set aside for those who may want to sit separately.

### The Ministry Week at a Glance

#### Sunday, November 28:

9:00am Choir Rehearsal

9:45am Prayer Group

10:00am Sunday Worship in the sanctuary

11:00am Hanging of the Greens—help us decorate the church and enjoy lunch and fellowship

1:00pm Core Youth Group

#### Monday, November 29:

1-3 pm Laingsburg Area Food Bank open hours

#### Tuesday, November 30: GIVING TUESDAY

9-11am Tuesday at Twilliger's. Come have coffee and chat with Pastor Tiffany.

9:30am Quilters

#### Wednesday, December 1:

7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal

#### Thursday, December 2:

10:00am Bible Study

6-8 pm Laingsburg Area Food Bank open hours

#### Friday, December 3:

Office Closed