

# Christmas With The Star

## First United Methodist Church of Mount Clemens

### 2010 Advent & Christmas Calendar

- ❖ **Advent Worship ~ Sundays, November 28<sup>th</sup>, December 5<sup>th</sup>, & December 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am & 11:00am**  
The Reverends Minarik will offer a sermon series entitled *Christmas With the Stars*, exploring themes of anticipation and preparation, second chances, and the importance of each person in God's plan. This sermon series will use Christmas movie classics to illustrate these Advent themes.
- ❖ **A Simple Christmas Pageant ~ Christmas Pageant ~ Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm**  
The year's Christmas Pageant will feature the story of the Nativity in a very simple, relaxed way with wonderful storytelling, familiar carols and songs. A surprise guest may come for a visit as well, so you will want to come and see who is coming to First Church. We look forward to seeing you at the Pageant. Christmas treats will be served afterward during a time for fellowship.
- ❖ **Holiday Skate ~ Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**  
First Church's Crossfire Youth Fellowship would like to invite all in the congregation to join us ice-skating the third Friday in December from 7:00pm to 8:50pm at the Mount Clemens Ice Arena & Fitness Center. The cost is \$5.00 for adults, or \$4.50 for students and seniors, and skate rental is \$3.00 (all payable to the arena on arrival). Sign up in the Multipurpose Room!
- ❖ **A Midnight Clear ~ Christmas Cantata ~ Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am**  
The Chancel Choir, First Church Orchestra, Chapel Bells, Children's, Kid's and Youth Choir are thrilled to invite you to hear a joy-filled cantata that will have your toes tapping, your heart swelling, and your spirit renewed. The harmonies, solos, choral pieces, as well as narration will truly tell of the birth of Jesus in a way that will touch your heart. Come hear these wonderful musicians as this wonderful tradition continues. Christmas treats will be served afterward during a time for fellowship.
- ❖ **Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship ~ Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm & 11:00pm**  
First United Methodist Church will hold Christmas Eve worship this year at both 7:00pm and 11:00pm. Communion will be celebrated at both services. At each, you will have an opportunity to sing some of your favorite carols and light a candle to celebrate the light that Jesus' birth brings to our lives. Whatever your traditions are on this holy night, be sure to set aside an hour for worship and come as you are (pajamas even!) to remember and reflect on the ancient story of the birth of our Savior. If you have family and friends visiting at your house, bring them to the Lord's house, as all visitors will be welcome.
- ❖ **Carol Sing ~ Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am**  
At this service, you will have a chance to request any favorite Christmas hymn, since our praise of the infant Jesus need not end because Christmas day has passed. Come casual... wear that festive Christmas sweater one more time!
- ❖ **Baptism Renewal Service ~ Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00am**  
In the bleak midwinter, there is the warmth of God's love. Celebrate that never-ending connection to God in this service of Baptismal Renewal as we start a new year.

*May the Christ of Christmas Bless Your Holiday Season.*

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