

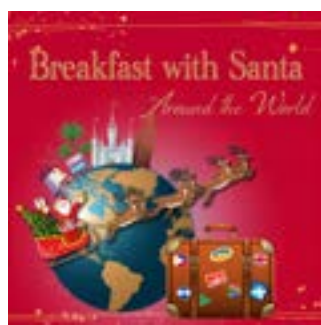


GRAPETINE

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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: Around the World

Saturday, Dec. 13th, 9-11am

We all know the jolly old man in the red suit, but did you know he goes by many names and has different traditions across the globe? From the cheerful Sinterklaas in the Netherlands to other fascinating gift-givers, the holiday spirit is a universal language. At this event, children will get a "passport" to explore these rich cultural variations through a series of interactive activities designed to foster curiosity.

We can't do it without you! Sign up to help at prosperumc.org/bws



DEDICATE A POINSETTIA TO SOMEONE SPECIAL

Purchase a poinsettia plant In Honor or In Memory of someone special. Poinsettias will be displayed in the Sanctuary for Christmas Eve services. Cost is \$12 per plant. **Deadline to order is Sunday, Dec. 14th.** Order at prosperumc.org/poinsettia

Christmas Eve *Candlelight Services*

3pm | Children & Family
5 & 7pm | Traditional
11pm | Lessons & Carols
(with Communion)

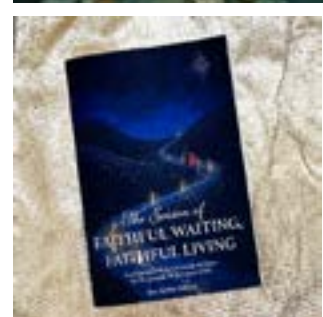


ALTERNATIVE GIVING TREE

This year's Alternative Giving Tree will be helping World Vision. World Vision partners with children and families all over the world to help lift them out of poverty.

With a donation of \$25 or more, your gift will help provide chickens, ducks, goats, clean water, wells or care kits to help people in the US and all over the world.

The ornaments adorning the tree have been purchased from a fair trade store. This keepsake, received with your donation, can serve as a unique gift to a family or friend in lieu of a traditional Christmas gift. The tree is located in the Commons with instructions on how to participate.



ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOK

Prosper UMC is excited to offer a special gift for you this season of Advent!

The Season of Faithful Waiting, Faithful Living is a collection of devotionals written by the people of Prosper UMC.

Each household can receive one book. Look for the table outside of the Sanctuary entrance. Begin with Introduction on Sunday, November 30th.

Additional books can be purchased on Amazon.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME AND
ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *The First Noel*, arr. by Tyree String Quintet

OPENING PRAYER

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLES *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*, v. 2 UMH# 211

OPENING HYMN *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* UMH# 213

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH# 883

GLORIA PATRI UMH# 70

PASSING THE PEACE

MORNING PRAYER
& LORD'S PRAYER

A CHRISTMAS CANTATA *O Little Town of Bethlehem*
O Come All Ye Faithful
Silent Night
Huron Carol
Angels We Have Heard on High Chancel Choir, String Quartet

OFFERING

INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS

CLOSING HYMN *People, Look East* UMH# 202

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Good King Wenceslas*, arr. by Tyree String Quintet

Instrumentalists:

Amanda Su, violin
Laura Gilbert, violin
Matt Cautivar, viola
Monika Bartley, cello
Robin Brockway, collaborative pianist
Matt Cross, bass
Ben Koch, percussion
James Rowland, percussion
Denise Guilbert, oboe

Readers:

Rachelle Denzer
Nick Vance
Mary Davis
Eric Smith
Mike Lish

Acolytes:

Blair Brown, Benjamin Vance



PRAYER CONCERNS

We believe in the power of prayer. We also believe God loves you and cares about what concerns your heart, and we care too. Please keep the following prayer concerns in your prayers.

Swenson Kreger
The Family of Frank Kuracina
The Family of Kathy Capshaw
Donna Blochowicz
The Family of John Wiley

Jan Wilson
Mary Johnson
Rick Beaty
Christians in Nigeria
Peace in Israel
Peace in Ukraine

Interested in joining the Praying Tree?
Subscribe at prosperumc.org/prayingtree



If you have a prayer concern to share with us, please submit at <https://www.prosperumc.org/prayerrequest>. Your concerns will be shared with the *Praying Tree*. A weekly prayer email listing of joys and concerns is sent out to members of the *Praying Tree* so that requests can be lifted up to the Lord during private prayer time and may be shared in the weekly bulletin.



THE GATHERING
A CHURCH WITH ROOM FOR ALL

DID YOU KNOW?

A New UM Church Plant in Anna

The Gathering Anna is a United Methodist church plant that is forming in Anna. PUMC is providing some administrative support to The Gathering as they work towards their new location & building. For example, Jane Russell is volunteering to help them to develop their bookkeeping system.

Know someone in the Anna area that is seeking a new church? Send them to The Gathering!

Follow their progress at thegatheringanna.com

BIBLE STUDIES & SMALL GROUPS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - CHILDREN UP TO 5TH GRADE • VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/CHILDREN](https://prosperumc.org/children) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, JENN@PROSPERUMC.ORG

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM & 11AM

COMMON GROUND - 4TH & 5TH GRADE SMALL GROUP • 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 4-5:30PM

YOUTH MINISTRY - GRADES 6-12 • VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/YOUTH](https://prosperumc.org/youth) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, YOUTH@PROSPERUMC.ORG

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45AM

CONFIRMATION - 7TH GRADE & UP • SUNDAYS @ 9:45AM

YOUTH GROUP - SUNDAYS @ 5PM

ADULT MINISTRY - VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/ADULT](https://prosperumc.org/adult) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, PASTORKELLIE@PROSPERUMC.ORG

FAITHBUILDERS - SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 149

JOURNEY - SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 124

THE SEEKERS - SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 157

THRIVING:NEXT GEN HEARTS - SUNDAY MORNING GROUP @ 9:45AM, ROOM 108

THIRST TO THRIVE - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, TUESDAYS @ 11:30AM, ROOM 149

SEASONS - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY, TUESDAYS @ 6:30PM, ROOM 155

TRUE GRIT - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY, WEDNESDAYS @ 11:45AM

METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - 1ST MONDAYS @ 6:30PM

MUSIC MINISTRY - VISIT [PROSPERUMC.ORG/MUSIC](https://prosperumc.org/music) FOR DETAILS • TO CONNECT, MUSIC@PROSPERUMC.ORG

CHANCEL CHOIR - REHEARSALS ON WEDNESDAYS @ 6:45PM, SANCTUARY

JOYFUL NOISE - CHILDREN'S CHOIR, KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE • SUNDAYS @ 9:45AM

STAFF

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