

Tulare United Church  
January 3, 2021 10:00am

Gathering Music Dana Lewis, Organist/ Pianist  
Welcome, Announcements, Celebrations

**Call to Worship \*\***

One: God of grace: We have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness,

**All: a world where love rules over all, a world where enemies embrace, a world where the distinctions between friend and foe evaporate in the light of your love.**

One: Knowing you have the power to transform us,

**All: we give our lives over to you, body, soul, mind, spirit. In the power of the one who joins us in our time together - Jesus. Amen**

**Opening Hymn Be Kind to One Another #\***

please hum along, think along or sing quietly  
since we are not congregational singing yet ☺

*Be kind to one another, be tender-hearted too —  
forgiving one another, as Christ has pardoned you.  
Refrain from any gossip, for gossip is a sin.  
Be open to new friendships, and welcome people in.*

*Be kind in all your speaking and hear what others say.  
Be open to Christ's teaching, and in all matters, pray.  
Be gentle, loving, faithful and keep a humble mind.  
Remember what is truthful. In everything be kind.*

*Be kind within your circle, but look past what you see;  
Be kind to those in trouble — the poor, the refugee.  
The world is filled with violence; write letters, call out sin!  
Don't ever sit in silence and let the evil win.*

*O God of love, you've taught us. You've shown us what to do:  
Be just, commit to kindness, walk humbly here with you.*

*Your Spirit gives us courage to truly live this way.  
May love become our message; may kindness win the day.*

Children's Time *Going in the Right Direction*

Scripture **Galatians 5:22-26**

Message *First Sunday Fruit – Kindness*

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (sins)**

**Invitation to Share Tithes and Offering**

*Ways to give to the work and ministries of Tulare United Church (UMC and UCC) \* prayers \* time \* financial (checks, cash, online giving at [tulareunitedchurch.com](http://tulareunitedchurch.com)), text to 605-299-8102 or use the GivePlus mobile app. Mail to PO Box 109, Tulare, SD 57476 or put it in the basket on the back pew. Thank you for your generosity!*

Special Music

Dana Lewis

**Closing Prayer**

**God of gifts, thank you for the blessings you have given us.**

**May we always use our gifts and talents in a way that demonstrates kindness, humility, and compassion. May we continue to do our part in developing our gifts. Keep our hearts and minds open to the direction of the Spirit, who calls us to celebrate our gifts by sharing them with others. Amen.**

**Benediction**

**Response**

*Go Now in Peace*

By: Don Besig, Nancy Price  
please hum along, think along or sing quietly  
since we are not congregational singing yet ☺

*Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day*

*Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true  
Know God will guide you in all you do*

*Go now in love, and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see*

*God will be there, watching from above  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.*

**\* Postlude**

**\*\*\*\* Please leave the sanctuary by rows with the back rows leaving first. Please visit outside or in Fellowship Hall being respectful of each other's 6' space and risk tolerance.**

Thank you for being here today in person or in thought. All of us have different opinions and risk tolerance in regard to COVID-19 so no judgment and no guilt if you attend online! For those in attendance please read and follow the gathering guidelines... we count on each other to abide by them. They are found on the website and there are also some in the entryway.

**Worship Notes:** Our worship service is a time to move away from outside distractions and focus on God. Thank you for turning off cell phones and not texting during worship BUT feel free to use your Bible app! **If you do not want to take your bulletin home please help us keep the sanctuary neat and tidy...and recycle it by putting it in the basket in the entry.** Thank you for worshipping with us in-person or online.

Church Office: 596-4156 (by appointment - physical distancing due to COVID-19 precautions) Pastor Lorah tries to take off Fridays and Saturdays.

Web Page: [www.tulareunitedchurch.com](http://www.tulareunitedchurch.com) – all worship services are posted here – under Praise and Worship – Worship Together

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Pastor Lorah Houser Jankord 450-0408 cell 596-4256 home

December 21-27, 2020

Attendance	3:00 12/24 – 18	5:00 12/24 - 51	12/27	20
Tithes & Offerings	12/24 \$	1,853.00	12/27 \$	849.50
Special Offering – Christmas Fund			\$	5.00

There is a piggy bank on the back pew for all change for camperships.  
(\$ 2,148 is needed each week to meet the budget)

**All annual meeting reports are due 1-10-21.**



**""What do you want to be when you grow up?" "Kind" said the boy."  
- Charlie Mackesy in "The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse"**

**WELCOME TO  
TULARE UNITED CHURCH  
First Sunday Fruit - Kindness  
January 3, 2021**

**May we pray for you? Our prayer list... for mind, body and spirit:**  
Karen Kohnen (member), **Hyke family and all who work at Hyke Funeral Home**, Tom & Linda McNeill (children of Sandi McNeill), Bob Bruening (neighbor), Cole Louwagie (son of Kristen (Swope) & Derek – friend of Jankords) the United Methodist Church denomination, people in prison, **everyone living with cancer and other long term physical or mental illness or addiction**, all military and their families at home especially **Edna Knutson** (Kianna Binger's mother deployed to Djibouti) the United Church of Christ denomination, **George Semmler**, Mary Merrigan (Pastor Lorah's friend), McKenzie Lee (Rhonda Stroh's daughter), Herb Stellmacher (Judy Wagner's father), Karen Stephenson, Maggie VanderPoole (friend of Pastor Lorah's Aunt Charl), Becky Brooker, Tenlee Gatzemeyer, Deb Kopplin, Sandy Wagner, Jeff Wagner, Barb Stoner, **all those with or affected by or recovering from Covid-19, staff and residents at Eastern Star Home, staff and residents at Avantara**, Erin Smith (Dennis & Linda's daughter), **Mona Schultz**

**Our sympathy to Tom & Kristi Martin on the death of his father, Roger Bond Martin, on December 21, 2020. Our thoughts are with Janis and the entire family as they bury Roger in Detroit Lakes, MN this weekend with a celebration of Roger's life at a future date.**

*StoneyBrook (Huron): Alice MacNeill*

*Eastern Star (Redfield):* Marvin Roeber, LaDean Stoner, Shirley Stellmacher (Judy Wagner's mother)

*Lakeside (Redfield):* Erma Ames, Amy Garman

*At Home:* Leone Schultz

**Mail a card or note to someone on this list.**

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Based on Proverbs 16:7 (The Message by Eugene Peterson)

***When God approves of your life,  
even your enemies will end up shaking your hand.***

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**This week at Tulare United Church...**

**Sunday 1/3/2021 Second Sunday after Christmas**

- 10:00 Worship
- Video: Rich Jankord
- Sound: Rich Jankord
- Music: Dana Lewis
- Ushers: Linda Smith and Robin Jens

**Monday 1/4**

- 2:00 Pastor Lorah meeting with R Jungwirth family

**Wednesday 1/6 – Epiphany**

- 6:00-7:00 Senior Youth meet in FH  
Little Caesar's fundraising orders due!
- 7:15 2019/2020 Confirmation Class meets in Sanctuary with Pastor Lorah, Wayne Binger & Karla Schultz

**Thursday 1/7**

- 10:30 Pastor Lorah officiates Roger Jungwirth funeral at Sunset Memorial Gardens, Aberdeen
- 7:00 Pastor Lorah has premarital meeting with couple

**Friday 1/8**

- 10:00 undecorate and redecorate sanctuary

**Sunday 1/10/2021 First Sunday after Epiphany**

- 10:00 Worship
- Projection Set-Up: Talisa Buchholz
- Sound/Projection: Rich Jankord
- Music:
- Video:
- Ushers: Jon & Katie Jones
- 11:30 Confirmation Service for students, their families, Godparents and mentors
- Projection Set-Up: Talisa Buchholz
- Sound/Projection: Rich Jankord
- Music: Tammy Nowell (recorded)
- Video: Rich Jankord
- 2:30 Baptism of Tanek Marcus Eggers (family only service)
- Projection Set-Up: Pastor Lorah
- Sound/Projection: Rich Jankord
- Video: Rich Jankord
- Music: Brian Hull and Tammy Nowell (recorded)