

# DRIFTLESS REGIONAL MINISTRIES RETREAT, LIBERTY POLE, NEW HOPE United Methodist Church

*December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021*



**8 a.m. Worship: Retreat, E3426 County N, De Soto 54624**

**9:15 a.m. Worship: Liberty Pole, S6759 WI-27, Viroqua, WI 54665**

**10:30 a.m. Worship: New Hope, E2290 State Hwy 82, De Soto 54624**

*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the Transformation of the World*

Online worship is available at

<https://driftlessministry.org/worship/sermons/lpnhr/>

You can also access on our You Tube channel – Driftless Ministries  
and on the church Facebook pages: New Hope and Retreat UMC, and Liberty Pole UMC

**Worship service is broadcast on Vernon Communications channel 15. Look for Retreat UMC:  
Mon. 12:30 p.m. Tues. 9:30 a.m. Wed. 7:30 a.m.  
Thu. 5:30 a.m. Fri. 3:30 a.m. Sat. 1:30 a.m. Sun. 2:30 p.m.**

**Worship protocols in place:**

If you have been vaccinated, masks are optional; if you have not been vaccinated, please wear a mask.

**DRIFTLESS REGIONAL MINISTRIES**  
**DECEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2021**

PRELUDE                      Marla Withey (RET) Tom Baker (RET/NH) Barb Casper (LP)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF OUR HEARTS:

**God, I give you my heart, my mind and my attention.  
Help me listen to Your calling for me today.  
I'm walking in here ready to receive Your Spirit.  
I'm walking out of here, changing for the better.**

HYMN #241                      *The Boy-Child of Mary (vs 1,2,3&6)*

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God of grace; we come with all that we have.

**P: Bodies, souls, minds; all here to worship you.**

L: We have come for a glimpse of your kingdom of kindness.

**P: In a world where love rules over all,  
a world where enemies embrace one another.**

L: The distinctions between friend and foe are evaporating in the light of your love.

**P: We dedicate this hour of worship to you and to your kingdom come.**

OPENING PRAYER

**God of every good gift; we come to worship today seeking many things.  
Some of us are seeking peace, some are seeking healing, some are seeking answers, and others are  
looking for the right questions. Lord, we trust that you will give us what we need; food for our  
deepest hunger. Amen.**

OUR CONCERNS AND PRAISES

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN #156 UMH                      *I Love to Tell the Story*

GOSPEL READING                      Luke 2: 8-20

GLORIA PATRI #70 UMH

MESSAGE                      *Faith Like Shepherds*                      Pastor Carter Jorgensen

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

HYMN #95 UMH                      Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

PASTORAL OFFERING 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 #90 UMH

*Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*

BENEDICTION

HYMN TO TAKE WITH YOU

#666 UMH *Shalom to You*

**We Pray For**

Those suffering from natural disaster, peace in our world, the ministry of the Driftless Region, Schools and children and wisdom for our governing leaders.

- Retreat: Marla Withey, Joan Seymour, The family of Amanda Hickok and Charlie Stendel
- Liberty Pole: Jeff Matson, Joanne Hornby, Ron Slack
- New Hope: Gloria Warmuth, Marion Whitney, Alice and Dale

**ON THE CALENDAR**

**Wednesday: Bible Study 12:00 pm at New Hope**

**Wednesday: Shut-In Meals at New Hope**

**Thursday: Food Pantry 9-11 am.**

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**Sunday Schedule:**

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4 p.m. ONLINE WORSHIP RELEASE ON FACEBOOK AND YOU TUBE