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Welcome to First Clovis!
We are so glad that you joined us in worship today. Please complete the following form as a record of your attendance. Please tear off the completed form and leave it in your pew as you leave worship today. You may also use this form to update your contact info, subscribe to email news, etc.

Church Wide Christmas Celebration

TODAY | 5PM



UNREHEARSED PAGEANT
WITH CHRISTMAS CAROLS

EVERYONE PARTICIPATES
Our children are invited to play a part in the pageant; the audience will join in for singing some of our favorite Christmas hymns.

PIZZA & FELLOWSHIP
Stay after for dinner and fellowship.



DEC. 15-19


Contact Kathryn Harrington
if you would like to help.
575-760-7438

DECEMBER 21ST

Fun & Festive Sunday



Get out all your fun Christmas clothes!



the Upside DOWN Christmas

First Methodist Church Clovis | December 14, 2025

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH CLOVIS
December 14, 2025 | 3rd Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE Alison Brown, piano
Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light
Johann Schop/harmony by J.S. Bach/arr. Cindy Berry

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Jeb Archey

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Howalt Family
Emmanuel, Emmanuel (2x) UMH #204

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Mindy Sena
Leader: We come to share together to celebrate the God who is present amongst us.
People: The Lord our God is our strength and song, and is even now our salvation.
Leader: We come to share together to celebrate with all the world, that the Lord is God.
People: With joy we gather around God's fountain of grace to be refreshed and renewed.
Leader: We come to share together to celebrate with songs of praise and joy for the Lord our God's eternal presence is forever amongst and with us, and all peoples.
People: We sing with joy: Thank the Lord, our Mighty God! Praise God's holy name! Amen.

***HYMN** **Hail to the Lord's Anointed** UMH #203

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Mindy Sena
I believe in the spirit of Christmas, for it is the spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose birth it celebrates;
I believe in the light of Christmas, for they remind me of Him who is the Light of the world;
I believe in the greenery of Christmas, for it symbolizes the eternal life of those in Christ;
I believe in giving gifts at Christmas, for it is in keeping with the greatest gift the world has ever known;
I believe in being childlike at Christmas, for Jesus said we must become as children to enter the Kingdom of Heaven;
And I believe in the angels' song about peace on earth among persons of good will, for when my will is good, as it is at Christmas, I feel a peace and joy in my heart that is unlike anything else in all the world. It has to be the peace and joy of God! Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** UMH #70

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME Cindy Osburn

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Jeb Archey

***HYMN** **Away In a Manger** UMH #218

***SCRIPTURE** **Luke 2:8-20** Rev. Jeb Archey
The Word of God, for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM **Advent Echo Carol** Chancel Choir
Words and Music by Mary Kay Beall

SERMON **The Upside Down Christmas** Rev. Jeb Archey
Rejecting Joy

TITHES AND OFFERINGS Rev. Jeb Archey

OFFERTORY Alison Brown, piano
The Coventry Carol with Away in a Manger
Traditional English Carol | James R. Murray/arr. Cindy Berry

***DOXOLOGY** UMH #95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

***HYMN** **Good Christian Friends, Rejoice** UMH #224

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Jeb Archey

POSTLUDE Alison Brown, piano
Good Christian Men, Rejoice
Old German Carol | arr. Eugenie R. Rocherolle

*you are invited to stand as able



WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:

Liturgist: Mindy Sena
Pianist: Alison Brown
Children's Time: Cindy Osburn
Ushers/Greeters: Youth
Acolytes: Jackson, Jace
Sound/Media: MaryNell Urban,
Greg Jennings, Calvin DeWitt,
Noah Edwards

SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:45—11:30AM
AGES 4—ADULT

NURSERY CARE
The nursery is open Sunday mornings for children birth to preschool. Our nursery is located in the north/education wing.

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