

**Order of Worship
January 17, 2010**

Gathering Doris Seames

Announcements Pastor Maddox

Prelude Doris Seames
Please take this time to prepare for worship.

Call to Worship Bob Brullo

Leader: We can do all things,

People: Through Christ who gives us strength!

Leader: Nothing is impossible for us,

People: When we keep God in our hearts!

* **Hymn** "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" v. 1,3,5 **#160**

* **Passing of the Peace** Pastor Maddox
A sign of peace can be a simple handshake, a hug, a wave, or even a smile! Welcoming others is a traditional way to pass the peace of Christ.

Children's Message

Response "This is the Day" **#657**

Scripture Genesis 1:1-8 Bob Brullo
The Word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer Doris Seames
A few moments for silent reflection.

Sharing Our Joys

If you have prayer requests, please complete a prayer request card and pass it to the center of the aisle.

The Pastoral Prayer Pastor Maddox

Lord's Prayer
Words are on screen if needed.

Hymn "Fairest Lord Jesus" **#189**

Offertory Doris Seames
If this is your first time visiting us, please do not feel obligated to give to the offering.

* **The Doxology**
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **#95**

* **The Prayer of Dedication** Bob Brullo
- A prayer of thanks for what we have, and asking for blessings upon that which we give back to God.

Scripture Genesis 1:26-31 Bob Brullo

The Word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

Message "A Journey Through Genesis -
In The Beginning" Pastor Maddox

* **Hymn** "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" **#133**

* **The Benediction** Pastor Maddox

* **The Postlude** Doris Seames

**Please stand as you are able.*

Our appreciation goes to Bruce and Val Goldner for being our greeters and to Bob Brullo for being our Liturgist. Special thanks to Doris Seames for playing the piano, and to you for joining us today.

Please sign the registration pads to let us know you were worshipping with us today.

We will be loyal to Sanctuary Church and uphold it with:

Our Prayers:

Harris family, Elaine Marros, Elmer Gelhar, Nancy Swenberger, Anna Kline, Joel DiBartillo, Lilly Yongbathom, Lou Seames, Anna Vee Wells, Pam Haas, Diane Drayna, those recovering from addiction, those in financial difficulty, and our friends and loved ones in the military.

Our Presence:

Coming to church can be good for us, but it can also be good for others. You never know when God is going to use you to touch the life of someone else!

Our Gifts:

Gifts are more than financial – they are also sharing your gifts of service, of prayer, of leading, of teaching, and the list goes on. What gifts do you have and are you sharing those gifts?

Our Service:

Serving others is a great way to draw close to Christ. Do you volunteer for anything at church or some other organization? If not, why not begin praying about it?

Our Witness:

Do you share the excitement here at Sanctuary with others? Do you share the joy God brings to your life with those you love?

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**2nd Service (10:30) Sermon Series - Starts today!
Making Love Last A Lifetime -**

Biblical Perspectives on Love, Sex, and Marriage
Why are men and women so different? What is God's plan for sexual intimacy? We will explore these questions and more when we look at how to make love last a lifetime. This message series is great for anyone of any age. On the days the topics are a little more "adult oriented" we will have opportunities for your older kids to go to a special Sunday School class or they are welcome to attend the service. This series will include short video excerpts with interviews from couples that attend our church.

Box-tops for Education

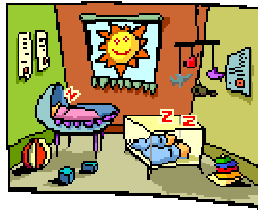
Please save your Box-tops for Education and put them in the container on the back table.

End-of-Year Financial Statements

The end-of-year financial statements are ready for pick-up. This is the statement you will use in preparing your income tax. In an effort to save postage and envelopes, Al Seames will be at the back of the church at the end of the service so you can pick-up your statement.

Youth Group

Our Youth Group will meet Saturday, January 30th at 6:00 pm. Bring your friends for pizza, games, and discussion.



Nursery and Sunday School

We have both a nursery and children's Sunday School available. The nursery is open from 8:45 – 11:30. Sunday School starts after Children's Message.

Walk To Emmaus

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual retreat like no other! This year's retreats are:

For Men: March 4 - 7

For Women: March 11 - 14

For more information, please see Shirley Maddox.

Are you praying for Sanctuary?

We are in the middle of our prayer campaign for our church! Please pray daily for :

Growth in our faith

Growth in our church

Growth in our discipleship

This week at Sanctuary

Thursday - Men's breakfast - 8 a.m. at Grumpy's Jr.

Further Readings

Pastor Mark would like to lift up the following verses to read this week:

Genesis Chapters 4 - 9

Our mission is to be a vibrant and welcoming church that grows in faith, serves Christ, and shares His love.



Welcome to Sanctuary United Methodist Church!

If this is your first time visiting, we would like to let you know that we are happy you decided to worship with us today.

In the Beginning... That's how the first book of the Bible starts, with the beginning. Too many times when we read books we want to jump right to the end to see if it has a good ending or not. For me, before we even think about the ending of something, we need to see how it all began and why it began a certain way.

Genesis is all about the beginning; the beginning of God's relationship with us.

It is my prayer that we all fully engage the text and open our hearts and minds to allow ourselves to see the true nature of our loving God.

Peace and Blessings,

Pastor Mark

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Missed a sermon? Hear it online!