FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## **Joys and Concerns**

Christmas is a joy we can all appreciate, but this year it will be accompanied by many concerns. Most of us will not be celebrating with our extended families and some will be alone. If we are getting together, we're worried about the possible consequences. Whatever your plans may be, please consider reaching out to others, especially those who are most isolated, through cards, gifts, and/or phone calls.

My brother won't be traveling from Tulsa this year, but my 85-year-old dad will probably come down on Christmas day; the kids are coming earlier. We'll test ahead of time and hope.

Hope combined with caution seem to be the predominate feeling surrounding this holiday season. The arrival of a vaccine is a joy, but the months it will take for everyone to get the vaccine is a concern. Let's hope everything goes smoothly, and we are back to normal as soon as possible.

Merry Christmas!

Susan

