

THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

December 20, 2015

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

11:00 a.m.

We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God. His Spirit inspires us and directs our fellowship with each other and with Him. May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshippers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices. Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 23:5-6
New Testament Reading – I John 4:7-16

The Gaskins Family

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Follow the Star of Bethlehem

arr. Lamb

INVOCATION

Jeff Allen

*HYMN NO. 102

The Birthday of a King
WHITE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:

NEIDLINGER

During this hymn, we ask that all class representatives bring their White Christmas items to the altar area and place in the basket

CHILDREN'S TIME

Jeff Allen

*HYMN NO. 85

The First Nowell

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lori Cogdill

OFFERTORY

How Great is Our Joy

arr. Page

*DEDICATION OF GIFTS

Doxology

OLD 100TH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Gifts of Advent

THE FIRST GIFT: HOPE

Bill Hinson

ANTHEM

Almost There

arr. Sorenson

Mary, full of innocence, carrying the Holy Prince, you're almost there, you're almost there.

Mother of the Living Word, trusting in the voice you heard, you're almost there, you're almost there.

You're almost where the angels see redemption's plan unfolding. All hope is in the Son you'll bear; You're almost there.

A lonely road, a willing heart, prayer for strength to do your part; you're almost there, you're almost there.

Trust the Father to provide Bread of Heaven prophesied; you're almost there, you're almost there.

You're almost where the waiting ends, delivering the Life within, the answered prayer, Emmanuel; you're almost there.

You're almost where the journey ends, where death will die and life begins, the answered prayer, Emmanuel.

You're almost there.

THE SECOND GIFT: PEACE

Kent Hobson

ANTHEM

Sweetest Music, Softly Stealing

Hagenberg

Sweetest music, softly stealing through the silence of the night; To the shepherds, now revealing,

Christ is born the Son of light. Glory unto God, the Father who has sent His only Son.

That He may all the nations gather round His feet and make them one.

Shepherds, to the stable hasten, there your Savior Christ is born,

Son of Mary lowly maiden, on this first glad Christmas morn!

He from highest heaven descending comes on earth your woes to heal,

That your every want attending, Love of God He may reveal.

THE THIRD GIFT: JOY

Mary Keltner

ANTHEM

Christmas Angels

arr. Leavitt

Christmas angels sing all around us, spread good tidings over the earth, telling of the Child in a manger who is born

He is the King of kings.

King of glory, hope for all nations, sent to earth to save and redeem. Prince of Peace behold and adore;

The Son of God has come to set us free.

Celebrate, O sing hallelujah, Raise a banner, dance and rejoice.

Celebrate the birth of Messiah. He's the Savior King, the Lord of all.

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

We sing: Joy to the world, the Lord has come. Joy to the world, He is here forever and always.

Christmas angels sing all around us, all creation hears what they say.

Bow before Him, Come and behold the Son of God, born on Christmas day.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come.

THE FOURTH GIFT: LOVE

Kim Jones

MUSICAL OFFERING

Bell Peal on "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

arr. Lamb

HYMN NO. 86

O Little Town of Bethlehem

ST. LOUIS

*BENEDICTION

Pastor

RESPONSE

Dance of the Stars

Krogstadt

O let the stars this night rejoice, and lift their bright celestial voice! The dancing stars shine down on earth to celebrate a

Baby's birth! Dancing stars, twinkling lights, heaven is filled with wonder tonight!

Alleluia! Holy light, born tonight; let the dance begin!

Now look to heaven and one bright star, it sheds its light both near and far. Listen as the angels sing; see the dance o'er

Bethlehem! Dancing stars, twinkling lights, heaven is filled with wonder tonight!

Alleluia! Holy light, born tonight; let the dance begin!

O let the stars look down tonight and shed their brilliant, holy light! Tonight is born our Hope and our Joy.

O let the stars their dances employ! Dancing stars, twinkling lights, heaven is filled with wonder tonight!

Alleluia! Holy light, born tonight; let the dance begin!

POSTLUDE

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Moser

*Those who are able are asked to stand.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Today

9:00 a.m.

9:45

11:00

3:00 p.m.

Tuesday

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

7:30 - 9:00

Wednesday

Thursday

5:00 p.m.

Friday

Saturday

7:00 a.m.

Re:Creation Worship Service
Sunday School
Morning Worship
“Christmas Without Them” Service

Junior Coed Basketball
Senior Boys Basketball

No Activities

Office Closed
Christmas Eve Service

Office Closed

A Men’s Bible Study



Love

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Pianist
Deacon of the Week

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Rev. Mary Keltner
Rev. Christa Warise
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Lori Cogdill