

Welcome

Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018



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Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

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ORDER OF SERVICE
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE INSTALLATION OF THE 2019 COUNCIL

PRELUDE O Beautiful Star of Bethlehem—Ashley Deaton & Steve Walton

(Since we were not able to worship last Sunday please know that **The 2nd candle of the Advent Wreath is called the Bethlehem Candle.** The prophet Micah foretells that the place of the Messiah's birth would be Bethlehem. **Micah 5:2** *"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, (F-RA-THA) Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting."*)

Advent Wreath Lighting Service

The Matt Miller Family

Advent Litany

L. Praise be to your God!

C. For He has done marvelous things.

L. He promised to send His Son, Jesus.

C. We wait and anticipate His coming anew!

(An Explanation of the Sunday and Scripture reading.)

Hymn

Light One Candle (Verse 1-3)

WOV 630

Confession and Absolution

(Silence for personal confession.)

P Let us confess our sins to our majestic Lord and ask his forgiveness.

C Almighty God, you rule in majesty over all that you have created. You rule over us in love, yet in rebellion we turn away from your Word and will and follow our own desires. We listen to the temptations of the world around us. We sin against you in our thoughts, words and actions. Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

P God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For the sake of Jesus, God's only Son, I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Prayer of the Day prayed in unison:

- C God of righteousness, give your children eyes to see and ears to hear so that we might recognize the signs of your kingdom as it comes among us. Teach us to rejoice in your presence and work among us; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM—REFER TO BULLETIN INSERT

THE NICENE CREED

- A God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.**
- C We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
- We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,**

and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

After each portion of the prayers: A Lord, in your mercy. C **hear our prayer.**

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

Please be seated

OFFERING

Anthem

Light of the World - Larson

Chancel Choir

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray;

C **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 and ever.**

Amen.

Please be seated

DISTRIBUTION

All who are baptized and believe Christ is truly present within the elements of the bread and wine are welcome to God's table. Today we receive the sacrament by way of "intinction." After receiving the wafer, dip it into the wine. Grape juice is provided for anyone who is not able to receive the wine.

AGNUS DEI



☪ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

HYMNS DURING HOLY COMMUNION

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly
O Little Town of Bethlehem

LBW 44

LBW 41

Please stand

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P Let us pray.

C **Pour our upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C **Amen.**

SENDING

- A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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Lessons for Next Week:

Micah 5:2-5a; Psalm 80:1-7; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45 [46-56]

Announcements:



*Christmas
Communion*

Quiet Communion—12:00 noon until 1:00 pm.

You may come at any time during that Hour
to receive the Lord's Supper and be blessed.

7:45 pm The Musical Prelude

8:00 pm The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
with Holy Communion

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Nursing Home Residents - Brenda Mahaley, Jane Peeler, Zarah Plyler, Pat and Wayne Miller, (Autumn Care), Bob Wilhelm and Ruth Monroe (The Meadows of Rockwell), Jane Shuping, (

Homebound Members - Bill and Mary Brady, Rachel Earnhardt, Ernest Sides, Billy Waller, Michael Walton, Betty Goodwin, Frances Norris, Ray Chambers, Horace Cross, Jean Kluttz, and Pat Kluttz

Sick/Surgery/Recovery— Marvin Nunn, Harold Miller, Jean Ray, Linda Hartley, Grace Morgan, Effie Vellines, Joan Troutman, Karen Plyler, Tommy Kerns, and Bill Broadway.

Continual Prayer - Carol Cauble, (sister of Judy Walton), Marvin Nunn, Robbie McElrath (friend of Judy Walton, Vanna Calloway, friend of Kat Clifton, Ophelia Curlee (sister-in-law of Grace Morgan), Sherry Eagle, (mother of Ann Brady), Mariann Lyons (daughter of Kay Lyons), Karen DeMunbrun (Niece of Grace Morgan), Hong Nguyen (Pete Nguyen's mother), Justin West and David Mitchell (friends of Pete Nguyen), Austin Mowry, (friend of Karen Barringer), Robert Parker (brother of Jimmy Parker), Pat & J. C. Miller, Marvin Feezor, Derek Maner (friend of the Misenheimers), Ruth McSwaim, Mary Knapp, Suzanne Greene, Benny Myers (friends of Jan Huffman), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Marc & Donna Collins (friends of Sharon Leazer),

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Acolyte: Abbey and Morgan Deaton

Advent Wreath: The Matt Miller Family

Lay Read:

Communion Assistants: Vivian Sprinkle and Tara Davis

Ushers: Phill Cauble (HU), Jimmy Parker, Mike Cauble, Bill Earnhardt, & Jeremy Misenheimer

Loose Offering: Building and Repair

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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, December 16, 2018	DEADLINE FOR POINSETTIA ORDERS
Wed. Dec. 19, 2018	6:30 pm Belles and Beaus 7:00 pm Scouts 7:30 pm Chancel Choir
Fri. Dec. 21, 2018	5:30 pm Game Night
Next Sunday, Dec. 23, 2018	9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship and Holy Communion

Church wide caroling with soup and sandwiches will be held on January 5th. We will meet at the church at 4:30 pm to go caroling and return for fellowship and food.

UNION WOMEN SHOWING LOVE FOR CHILDREN

Union Women will be collecting needed school items for the children of Hanford-Dole Community and Schools for our winter project. The following items are most needed: ear buds, boxes of tissues, disinfectant wipes, socks, plain sweat shirts (sizes 6 to kids XL), toboggans, dry erase markers, composition books (not wire bounded) and zip lock bags.

Everyone is welcomed to help us with this project. Collection boxes will be placed in the church exit areas.

Thrivent Action Project is assisting us in this project.

2019 WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

We are in the process of lining up various worship assistants for next year. There are several ways that you can assist. Please sign up for the areas you can help:

Our family will be responsible for the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Usher | <input type="checkbox"/> Lay Reader |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communion Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Guild |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Acolyte/Crucifer/Banner bearer | |

We would like families to sign up for at least one month during the year. If you can do more than one month, let us know. Please check the area you can serve and place this sheet in the offering plate.

Name _____

Month(s) _____

Contact info: Phone _____

Email _____

If you do not sign up, a member of the Worship & Music Committee may contact you in person. Thank you for your service.

Worship & Music Committee

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It is that time of the year again! We have pre-ordered 30 poinsettias for Christmas. Please complete and return the form below to Ruth Goodman by Sunday, December 16, 2018. Cost will be \$10.00 each. (One form per poinsettia - additional forms in the Narthex.)

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Given by _____