

Welcome Guests

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today. If you are our guest, we pray that your experience will nurture your faith and that you feel welcome in this community of faith.

Nursery: Available from 9:45 –11:15 am

Children's Worship: K-5th Grades

After the Children's Time during the service, volunteers will escort the children from worship to the hospitality tent for special stories and activities geared just for them. Parents may pick them up after worship.

Flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and . . .



*In celebration of
Linda's birthday
by Jim Pellot*



Calendar

Sunday, December 13 Third Sunday in Advent	10:00 am 11:15 am	Worship Congregational Meeting
Monday, December 14	9:15 am 6:30 pm	Preschool Christmas Chapel Scouts
Tuesday, December 15	9:15 am 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool Christmas Chapel Generosity & Finance PW Evening Circle
Wednesday, December 9	8:00 am	Bagels & Bibles (Zoom)

Remember in Prayer

Dianah Bradshaw
Chris Gesdorf
Nancy Gonzalez (Crystal Phillips' mother)
Margo Grout
Sydney Hale (Judy Schuler's granddaughter)
Bob Hiller
Martha Johnson
Lea (Merrylin Opendo's daughter)
Hiram Lomanto

Carol Maurer (sister of Cathy Horan/Linda Burkert)
Emily McAllister (Gale Keeley's mother)
Kathy (Larry & Glenyce Payne's daughter)
Ray & Pam Paul (Amy Zalusky's parents)
Bill Salisbury (Tammie Wright's father)
Roger & Lori Rice (Judy Schuler's brother & sister
in law)
Mel & Sue Williams

Third Sunday in Advent

December 13, 2020



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Connecting people for whole-hearted discipleship in Jesus Christ.

Order of Worship

We Gather

GATHERING MUSIC

*SONG OF PRAISE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jonathan Swanson

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING PRAISE

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" On Screen

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

Mary Alderman

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray to the Lord.

God of peace, hear our prayer.

The impatience and irritability we feel for one another,

We confess to you, O Lord.

The jealousies we have cultivated for our neighbor and their things,

We confess to you, O Lord.

The ways we convince ourselves we do not have enough time, money, or things:

We confess to you, O Lord...*(moments of silence)*

ASSURANCE

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

(Please stand and wave to your neighbor)

*RESPONSE

"Good Christian Friends Rejoice"

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Debbie Abbott

(Children through 5th grade may exit)

ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING CEREMONY

Early Childhood Staff

MUSICAL MEDITATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Psalm 55:10-11

Mary Alderman

For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 2:4-5

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Matthew 5:9; Luke 1:78-79

SERMON

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Responding to the Word

*RESPONSIVE PRAISE

"Let There be Peace on Earth"

On Screen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Departing to Live and Love as Christ's Disciples

*CLOSING PRAISE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*CLOSING PRAYER

Isaiah 2:4

They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. Amen.

*PARTING MUSIC

**All who are able may stand*