

RINGING THE BELLS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Mary Hurley

OPENING MUSIC

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise God from the heavens.

Leader: Young men and women alike, old and young together!

People: Let us praise the name of the Lord, whose name alone is exalted above heaven and earth.

ALL: Alleluia!

*OPENING HYMN "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" # 98 (3, 4, 5)

*UNISON INVOCATION

Saving God, the prophet Anna and righteous Simeon sang Your praise and proclaimed Jesus our Lord, to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. Let us who seek redemption in this day prepare our hearts, that we may believe the good news of Jesus, receive the light of salvation, and live according to Your word. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*RESPONSE "Gloria Patri" (on screen)

MORNING PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And with you also.

Leader: Let us pray...

Concluding with *The Lord's Prayer* (on screen)

Organ Response

ANTHEM "" () Traditional Choir

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" (on screen)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, we give thanks for the light of the world, Jesus Christ, through whom we have received adoption as Your children. With Jesus our brother, we dedicate ourselves in ministry to the world, that we may live as heirs of Your promises to the honor and glory of Your name. Amen.

*SERMON HYMN "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne" # 137, (1, 2, 3)

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2: 22-40 (NLT)

SERMON **7 SWANS A'SWIMMING** Pastor Mary

*CLOSING HYMN "In the Bleak Midwinter" # 122 (1, 2, 4)

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Joy to the World" v 1 (on screen)

*RINGING THE BELLS

*CLOSING MUSIC

The week ahead...

SUNDAY - 12/31

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship
- 9:30 am Praise Singers practice
- 10:00 am Discovery Music practice
- 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School
- 11:00 am Discovery Worship

MONDAY - 1/1 - New Year's Day

BUILDING & OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY - 1/2

- 8:00 am Weight Watchers
- 9:30 am 4C Play & Learn
- 3:00 pm Open Kitchen
- 5:15 pm Weight Watchers

WEDNESDAY - 1/3

- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class
- 3:00 pm Open Kitchen
- 6:00 pm Discovery Music
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir
- 7:00 pm Traditional Choir

THURSDAY - 1/4

- 10:00 am Discovery Bible Study
- 3:00 pm Open Kitchen
- 5:30 pm Women at the Well Bible Study

FRIDAY - 1/5

- 9:30 am Senior Exercise Class

SATURDAY - 1/6 - Epiphany

SUNDAY - 1/7

- 9:00 am Traditional Worship with Communion
- 9:30 am Praise Singers practice
- 10:00 am Discovery Music practice
- 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School, Blood Pressure checks (Library)
- 10:15 am Confirmation Parent & Student Meeting (Chapel)
- 11:00 am Discovery Worship with Communion
- 12:00 pm Youth Group

Those who serve...

Nursery Attendants

December 31

- 9:00 am & S.S. Hour Stacey Henderson & June Pillow
- 11:00 am Stacey Henderson

January 7

- 9:00 am & S.S. Hour Stacey Henderson & Ruth Smith
- 11:00 am Stacey Henderson

Greeters

December 31

- 9:00 am Janie Cummings, Judy Fluty
- 11:00 am Debbie Kerns, Judy Lockhart

January 7

- 9:00 am Judy Carr, Barb Marr
- 11:00 am Lisa Huck, Nancy Hile

Ushers

January

- 9:00 am Jim Geiser, Captain; Bob Dreier, Jeff Ludwig, Louie Busckill, Darlene Dycus
- 11:00 am Ron Boren, Captain; Tony Bogan, Scott Hettenbach, Jerry McMillen

Deacon (offering)

January

- 9:00 am John Deppen



First Sunday after Christmas

Traditional Worship
December 31, 2017
9:00 AM

Rev. Dr. William J. Wassner, *Senior Pastor*
Rev. Mary Hurley, *Associate Pastor*
Andrea Williams, *Director of Traditional Music*
Kasey Gathercole & Katie Maurer, *Co-Directors of Discovery Music*
Rick Hobbs, *organist* † Katie Maurer, *pianist*

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