

RINGING THE BELLS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING MUSIC "Awake, Thou Wintry Earth" (Birchwood)



*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Listen. We have heard the message of Hope.

All: In the midst of our lives, God is with us.

One: Listen. Something else is coming closer.

All: A song in the distance,

One: A melody of a different way of Life,

All: Shared notes of promise and praise.

One: Let us raise our voices together.

All: Let us sing so all will learn the chorus and call for Peace.

*OPENING CAROL "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

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*UNISON INVOCATION

Most gracious God, come and prepare our hearts and minds to receive Your deep Peace. Come be with us in this time of scripture and song. Come and show Your face to us again, echo Your name in our hearts and establish Peace on earth. We pray this in the name of the One whose birth we prepare to celebrate, Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Micah 5:2-5a (NLT)

ADVENT SONG "Do You Know the Way to Bethlehem?" Praise Team

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE Bob Kraemer, Larry & Cindy Vonderahe

RESPONSE Tune: Away in a Manger

**A candle is burning, a candle of Peace;
A candle to signal that conflict must cease.
For Jesus is coming to show us the way;
A message of Peace humbly laid in the hay.**

MORNING PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And with you also.

One: Let us pray...

Morning Prayer, followed by The 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.

Organ Response

SPECIAL MUSIC "Still, Still, Still" Katie Maurer

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Arietta" (Peterson)

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

What a gift You have given us in Jesus, gracious God. Rekindle our faith. Renew our spirits. Vanquish our fear and grant us courage, for where we go, Jesus has gone before. Therefore in the Peace that we find in that assurance, we dedicate these gifts and our lives as grateful children to You. Amen.

SERMON HYMN "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day" # 126

SERMON **DISCONNECTED**

*CLOSING CAROL "While We Are Waiting, Come" # 73

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Tune: AZMON
**The love of God with peace and joy, will each of us attend,
and guide our ways through coming days, until we meet again.**

*RINGING THE BELLS

*CLOSING MUSIC "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

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THE WEEK AHEAD...

TODAY - 12/4 - 2nd Sunday in Advent 2017 PLEDGE CARD DEADLINE POINSETTIA FORMS DEADLINE

9:00 am Traditional Worship
9:15 am Praise Singers
10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School, Blood Pressures (library)
11:00 am Discovery Worship

MONDAY - 12/5

8:00 am Headstart PS

TUESDAY - 12/6

8:00 am Headstart PS
8:00 am Weight Watchers
9:00 am Women's Bible Study
9:30 am 4C Play & Learn
3:00 pm Open Gym
5:30 pm Gym Reserved
5:30 pm Weight Watchers

WEDNESDAY - 12/7

8:00 am Headstart PS
3:00 pm Open Gym
5:15 pm Women at the Well Bible Study
5:30 pm Gym Reserved
7:00 pm Traditional Choir

THURSDAY - 12/8

8:00 am Headstart PS
9:30 am Discovery Bible Study
3:00 pm Open Gym
6:00 pm Gym Reserved

SUNDAY - 12/11 - 3rd Sunday in Advent

9:00 am Traditional Worship
9:15 am Praise Singers
10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School
11:00 am Discovery Worship
12:15 pm Mission Trip Meeting



The flowers on the altar are from the **Memorial Flower Fund** in memory of:

Gary Titzer, by the Jackson family, his birthday would have been December 2nd; and
Edith Grace, by the Jackson family, her birthday would have been December 3rd.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

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

Dec 11 9:00 am
& **S.S. Hour 11:00 am** Stacey Henderson
Stacey Henderson & Janine Koehler

GREETERS

Today 9:00 am Eloise Castleman, Patty LeGrange
11:00 am Lisa Huck, Nancy Hile
Dec 11 9:00 am Larry & Kathy Vonderahe
11:00 am Shannon Jackson, Karla Smith

USHERS

Nov 9:00 am Louis Buschkill, Captain; Bob Dreier
11:00 am Jacob Jackson, Captain; Keith Krietenstein, Mike O'Nan, Earl Smith

PRAYER CONCERNS

Richard Alvis
Orion Bays (Riley)
Brooke Bishop
Karson Davis (Stacey Henderson's granddaughter)
Hazel Gathercole (St. Mary's)
Shirley Kolb
Mary McIntosh
Nancy Moore (Daryl Helfert's sister)
Pamela Paul
Liz Roberts (friend of Tonette Smith)
Tricia Sanders (Margaret Clem's daughter)

The family & friends of Henry Hile (Nancy Hile's brother-in-law), who passed on December 1st.

A complete list is posted on the entry bulletin board.



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SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT - 9:00 AM - December 4, 2016