# Christmas Sunday

December 25, 2022

10:30

"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:11

# PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

The Organ Prelude Silent Prayer and Meditation Congregational Introit Hymn # 125 "Joy to the World" v.1

# \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our trust is in the name of the Lord.

People: We rejoice because of what the Lord has done.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who has come to deliver us.

Unison: And sing praises to the God of our salvation.

# \*INVOCATION

# \* PRAISE TO GOD

\* Hymn # 125, "Joy to the World"

# **UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Mighty God, through Jesus Christ You adopt us as your beloved children. But we have lived as those who belong to this world, not to You. We seek our fulfillment in material things; we despair in the face of the world's problems; we try to control our lives instead of committing them to You. Free us from the slavery of our sin to the joyful inheritance of your love. May the gift of Jesus Christ bring our hearts new life and through us fill the world with your love. Amen.

# **SILENT CONFESSION**

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Hear the Good News! Jesus Christ has become like us in

every way, so that He might be merciful and faithful as our

high priest before God, expiating our sins.

People: Friends, believe the Good News! Unison: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

\* Gloria Patri (#623 Hymnal)

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#### **GOD'S WORK IN PRAYER**

**Prayer Concerns** 

Pastor's Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Congregational Response Hymn #82 "O Come Let Us Adore Him" v.1

# **GOD'S WORD**

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 26-31 (pgs. 1772-73)

Choir Anthem: "In the Bleak Midwinter"

Sermon: "The Lord is Still Here"

\* Hymn # 128, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

# **GOD'S WORK AND WORSHIP IN GIVING**

Announcements and Pew Registration Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\* The Doxology

(#625 Hymnal)

- \* Offertory Prayer
- \* Hymn # 157, "Away in the Manger"
- \* Benediction
- \* Congregational Response Hymn #147 "Silent Night" v.1
- \* Postlude

<sup>\*</sup> Stand, if comfortably able

# **IN PRAYER**

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Church Secretary: Connie Moore Choir Director: Eilene Stephens Church Organist: Tracey Tucker Church Custodian: Dave Miller

**Session:** Dave Jenkins **Deacon**: Jan Gustafson

Mission Committee: Carole Taube Fellowship Committee: Kay Janecek Building Committee: Mike Evans Sunday School Teacher: Lisa DeBaillie

**Shut-In:** Pauline Shroyer

**Special Prayer Needs**: Ron & Christine Ristau, Betty Garrison, Deb Boudi, Kaitlyn Merkel, Marlene Keleher, Tracey Tucker, Pauline Shroyer, Jack Turkal, Paul Schnell, Claire Barnhouse, Doris Coffey, Jeff Sweetland, Sam Waldron, and Ed Martin.

Prayer Needs: Donna James, Vicki Thomas.

**MISSION EMPHASIS: Christmas Baskets** 

**Candle of Hope:** In the front of the sanctuary is a candle that recognizes the faithful service of all our military personnel

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# THIS WEEK THIS WEEK

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