

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

December 1, 2024

10:30 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Prayer of Preparation

* Congregational Introit # 247:

"Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me."

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We are waiting for the dawn of God's incarnation.

Restore us, O God. Let us see your face.

We are like clay awaiting the potter.

Restore us, O God. Let us see your face.

Teach us to keep alert as we wait.

Restore us, O God. Let us see your face.

Sustain us this day as we worship you.

Amen. Let us worship God!

Advent Meditation: Youth Class (see insert)

* Hymn #123 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Restore us, O God of hosts.

Let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Save us, O Lord, from traps of our own creating:

from fear that blocks the way of love,

from worry that blocks the way of joy,

from isolation that blocks the way of relationship,

from structural injustices that keep the world bound.

Forgive us, O God of hosts,

until the stars fall from heaven

and we live as people transformed.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! God has given you grace and peace in Christ Jesus, and enriched you with many good gifts.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

* **Gloria Patri**

(# 623 Hymnal)

Welcome and Announcements

Invitational music for **JLK**

(#42 Hymnal)

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you—Allelu, alleluia!"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

* The Doxology

(#625 Hymnal)

* Offertory Prayer

Scripture: Psalm 25:1-10, Luke 21:25-36

Sermon: "Bridge Over Troubling Waters"

* Hymn #124 "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

* Hymn #125 "Joy to the World"

* Benediction

* Congregational Response # 602: ***"God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again."***

* Postlude

* Stand, if comfortably able.

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Sunday School Teacher: Corey Lambert

Greeter: Connie Moore

Prayer Needs: Ben Snart, Trish Dudek, Shala Mannoochahr,
Zach Maxwell, Donna James, Marlene Keleher, Pauline Shroyer,
Claire Barnhouse, Sam Waldron, Ann Tucker.

MISSION EMPHASIS: Christmas Basket Ministry



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THIS WEEK

Sunday (12-1)	Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship	10:30 am
Monday (12-2)	Decorating the Church	10:00 am

PLEASE NOTE:

Decorating the Church: On Monday December 2 @10 am we will need help decorating the Church and "Hanging the Greens" We have a new Tree for the Sanctuary. Please come and help decorate our church for the holidays.

Christmas Basket Ministry: We are collecting food for the Christmas Baskets that the Food Pantry gives out to those in need. We need the following items:

Mashed potatoes	Corn	Boxed stuffing
Cr of mushroom soup		Green Beans
Cake mixes		Frosting

There will be a food pantry box in the entrance to collect your donations. Monetary donations also accepted. Thank you.

Peanut Brittle: Beulah will be selling Peanut Brittle!

The prices are \$16 =1 LB \$9:00 =1/2 LB

Delivery date Dec 15

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Invitation: We are having an Open House to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary! We decided life is short, and we better celebrate when we can! It will be Sunday, December 8, from 1-4 at Oakwood Country Club, [1067 US-6, Coal Valley](#), with "Remarks by Roy" at 2:00.

Sure hope you can join us! Jan & Roy Gustafson

Pianist: As you know we are looking to hire a pianist. The following is the job description: Worship services each Sunday 10:20-11:30 am Choir rehearsals Thursday evening 7-8:30 (Sept-May) Position is open and available now. Please see Eilene Stephens or Shannon Mock if you or someone you know might be interested.

Happy Birthday! The Board of Deacons would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following people this week:

Bill Collins	December 1
Joyce Stephens	December 7
Gin Wray	December 8



Online Giving is now available!

