

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

December 29, 2024

10:30 am

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Prayer of Preparation

Hymn #166 "We Three Kings"

Call to Worship

The hour is coming, and now is, when true worshipers
Will worship God in spirit and in truth.

At the name of Jesus, every knee should bow
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

**The kingdom of the world has become
The kingdom of our Lord and Christ.
And he shall reign forever and ever.**

* Hymn #125 "Joy to the World"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God, who sent a star
to lead wise ones to the Christ child:
We confess that we have not
followed the light of your Word,
nor searched for signs of your presence in the world.
We have expected little, and hoped for less.
We have failed to discern the truth.
Help us to hear anew of the birth of our Savior,
and to worship him in spirit and in truth.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has given us the Light of the World in Jesus Christ.
Grace and truth have come through him.
Believe and share the good news!

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: Matthew 2: 1-12

Sermon: "What's So Wise About the Wise Men?"

Dr. Andrew McDonald

* Hymn #145 "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Prayers of the Community and Lord's Prayer

* Hymn #151 "Good Christian Men Rejoice"

* 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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Deacons: Reggie Mohr

Session: Joyce Stephens

Mission Committee: Trish Dudek

Building Committee: Karl Bleyhl

Sunday School Teacher: Lisa DeBaillie

Greeter: David Jenkins

Prayer Needs: The family of Dwayne Blaser, Trish Dudek, Shala Mannochahr, 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 (12-29)

Sunday School
Worship

9:15 am
10:30 am

PLEASE NOTE:

Greeters: Please sign up if you would like to be a greeter.
We need greeters for January.

Christmas Basket Ministry: Thank you to everyone who helped with the Christmas Baskets. Hopefully each family will feel the love that was poured into each basket.

Taking down Christmas Tree: On Monday January 6 @ 9:00 am we will need help undecorating and taking the tree down. Please come and help put things away for next year.

Annual Congregational Meeting: Looking ahead, our Annual Meeting will be January 19 immediately following our Worship Service. Please be aware that the following reports need to be compiled and handed into the office by January 12.

- Pastor's Report
- Report of the Session
- Necrology Report
- Nominating Committee
- Auditing Committee
- Deacons
- Sunday School
- Building Committee
- Mission Committee
- Food Pantry
- Fellowship Activities
- Memorial Fund
- Treasurers report

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

Jennifer Blankenship	December 29
Sarah Manecke	December 29
Olivia Raya	December 29
Joan Gustafson	December 30
Landyn Leech	December 31
Sharon Evans	January 1
Cynthia Laxton	January 1
Becky Morley	January 2
Jordan Rollins	January 2
Miranda Ruby	January 4



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