



**December 16, 2018**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**

**Rev. Dave Leckrone, Senior Pastor**

Ty Williams, Associate Pastor

Bob Lybarger, Associate Pastor

*Our Mission: Invite ~ Equip ~ Engage*

# Welcome to Worship

Choral Introit

Voluntary "Once in Royal David's City" Robert Farlee  
Monologue: Lori Robinson as The Shepherd's Wife (JOY)  
Lighting the Advent Candle of Joy 8:15 service David Henning and Marcy Youtz  
10:45 service Dave and Carol Pinkerton

Hymn #218 "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

\*Invocation

Affirmation #881

Gloria Patri

Piano duet-Kathi Dow and Tawnie Johnson "On Christmas Night" Joel Raney

Prayer Request, Joys & Concerns

Silent, Pastoral & the Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response #2080 "All I Need Is You"

*All I need is you, Jesus, all I need is You. You are the source of all I need. All I need is you.*

Chancel Choir "Nativity Carol" Words and Music by John Rutter

Hymn "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Children's Message (10:45)

*All children are welcome to come to the chancel steps.*

*PreSchool – 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will go to room 304 with Janell & Kevin Register*

Offertory "Lullaby, Jesus" R. Thygerson

Doxology #95

Hymn#230 "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Special Music by Marilee Lake (8:15 svc) "Heaven to Earth"

Bell Choir (2<sup>nd</sup> svc) "A Christmas Carol Collage"

By Joyful Noise, our trio today is, Cindy Stienecker, Tami Baird Ganley, Sue Kaufman

Scripture John 15: 7-11 Marilee Lake

Sermon "Don't Worry, Be Happy?" Rev. Dave Leckrone

\*Closing Hymn#246 "Joy to the World"

\*Benediction

Postlude "Sing We Now of Christmas" R. Hudson

# First News



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## We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors today!

We are glad you are visiting today. We would like to get to know you. Please stop by the Visitor Table in the Gathering room, located near the south end of the church or the visitor table at First Place. We have a special gift just for you

### Nursery Care

**Nursery Care:** Room 202

See Usher for assistance.

**Childcare Staff Person(s):**

Sandra Makemson, Patty Mathews, Barb Warner

### Attendance

Worship:401    Sunday School: 69

**A White Rose** has been placed on the altar in memory Clinton Lybarger, father of Pastor Bob Lybarger.

*Roses are courtesy of Baird Funeral Home. Family members are welcome to take the rose.*

### Pastoral Care

If you are admitted to a hospital and desire a Pastoral visit, please call or have a family member call the church to let us know. Due to HIPPA laws the hospital will not notify us unless you specially ask them to notify your church Pastor.

### Greeters:

8:15am:

Franklin St

Jack & Nancy Cox

Cherry St

Brian & Gail Florence

10:45am:

Franklin St

Steve & Judy Johnson

Cherry St

Nancy Johnson & Penny Wehrley

### Usher Captains:

8:15am

Lew McClelland

10:45am

Bus Shannon

### Acolytes:

Ragan Register

Hailey Register

### First Friend of the Week

#### Get Well!

Shirley Hensel  
2430 Coriander Ct.  
Troy, Ohio 45373

### Christmas Eve at First Place

There will be only **one** Christmas Eve service at First Place at 6:00pm.

### Let's Go

If you didn't make the meeting, flyers for 2019 are in the Gathering room. We are starting off with a trip to the Ark & Creation Museum. Payment due now. Down payment for the Chattanooga Choo Choo is also due now. The flyer is on the church's website...fumc.org, click on the arrow at the far right hand side...a drop down box appears and click on Let's Go and the flyer appears. Questions call Diana 216-7088.

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday: Dec. 16

6:00pm Evening Prayer & communion

### Monday: Dec. 17

7:00am Men's Bible study Bob Evans

9:15am Intercessory mtg

5:45pm Girl Scouts

6:00pm Outreach handing out

Christmas gifts

7:00pm Trustees meeting

### Tuesday: Dec. 18

10:00am UMW meeting

3:00pm Virtual Market

6:00pm Outreach handing out

Christmas gifts

### Wednesday: Dec. 19

6:30pm Preschool Christmas program

6:30pm Youth

7:00pm Children's Choir practice

7:30pm Finance meeting

### Thursday: Dec. 20

9:00am Men' Bible Study

12:30pm Dr. Critchley's office party

6:00pm Ty's Bible Study

6:30pm Bells practice

7:00pm Praise Team

7:30pm Choir Practice

### Saturday: Dec. 22

7:30am Men's breakfast Bob Evans

## Upcoming Events

**Dec. 23:** Evening Prayer & communion  
Jones Christmas party

**Dec. 24:** Christmas services  
Traditional 5, 7, 9 & 11  
First Place 6

**Dec. 25 & 26** Office closed

**Dec. 27:** Men's Bible Study  
Hands 4 Hearts  
Ty's Bible study  
Bells practice  
Praise Team practice, Choir practice

## Sign Up Sheets

I have sign up sheets for altar flowers, altar flower delivery schedule, bulletin stuffers, usher captains, greeters, on the table in the Gathering Room, please feel free to sign up or call the office 335-2826. Thanks Susan

## Hat & Mitten Tree

There is a hat and mitten tree in the Gathering Room, donations are welcome.

## Attention Kids!

We are in need of extras for the children's performance taking place at 5pm Christmas Eve service. No speaking required, only need to put on an animal hat and be in the background!! See Susan or Marilee that evening and they will give you your costume. Thanks Miss Penny

## Service Men and Women

First Kids Preschool would like to continue the tradition of sending cards and pictures to the service men and women in our church family who are deployed overseas. If you have a loved one who is currently deployed, please email the preschool with their name and address at [bhaines@troymc.org](mailto:bhaines@troymc.org). Thank you!

# Nativity Carol

Words and Music by John Rutter

1. Born in a stable so bare, born so long ago;  
Born 'neath light of star He who loved us so.

*Refrain:*

*Far away silent He lay, born today, your homage pay,  
For Christ is born for aye, born on Christmas Day.*

2. Cradled by mother so fair, tender her lullaby;  
Over her Son so dear angel hosts fill the sky.

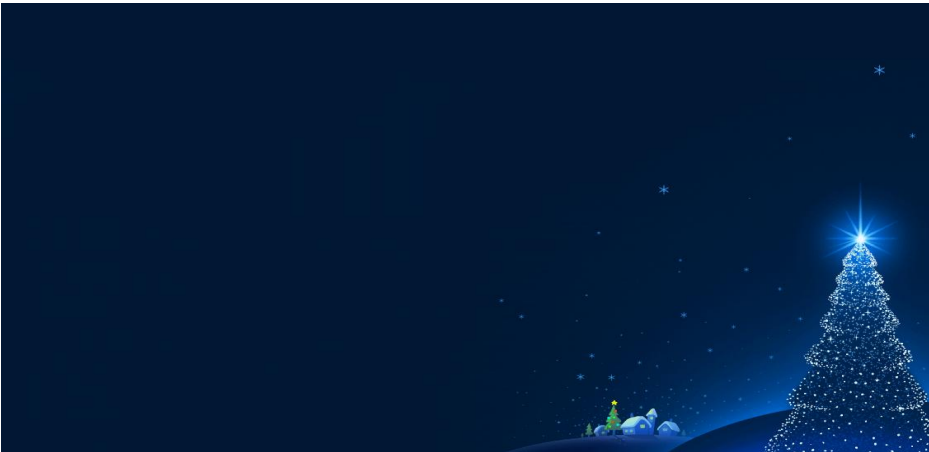
*Refrain:*

3. Wise men from distant far land, shepherds from starry hills  
Worship this Babe so rare, hearts with warmth He fills.

*Refrain:*

4. Love in that stable was born into our hearts to flow;  
Innocent dreaming Babe, make me Thy love to know.

*Refrain:*



Soprano	Alto	Tenor	Bass
Nan Conard	Myrle Briggs	Jim Braby	Scott Harshman
Kathi Dow	Bonnie Brohard	Doug Burch	Al Marheine
Janice Harshman	Pam Gibellino	Ken Crawford	Jerry Matthew
Donna Hormell	Bobbi Kelly	Pete Dow	Joe Mosher
Marilee Lake	Charlene King	Mark Rogers	Ryan Robe
Joyce Mosher	Carol Marheine		Bruce Scranton
Jan Murphy	Marilyn Matthew		Stan Shaw
Stephanie Purcell	Jan Wise		
Jen Sentman			
Katharine Searfoss			



Join us this advent season at First Place for our Regifting Christmas Series @ 9:30 or 10:45. In support of regifting, we are supporting First Place Food Pantry. They are in need of personal care items. Please consider helping us support them. A tub will be placed near the guest welcome center at First Place for your donated items.

### **Suggestions:**

Oatmeal, canned fruit, canned veggies, soups, dish soap, shampoo, paper towels, razors.

### **Cookie Walk Thank You**

The United Methodist Women would like to acknowledge much appreciation to the congregation for all their contributions to our 2018 cookie walk. As a result of your generosity we were able to contribute to the following local missions:

Troy First Food Pantry

The Family Abuse Shelter in Miami County

FISH

Health Partners free clinic

The Miami County dental clinic/Traveling Smiles

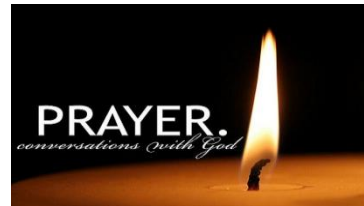
Reading for Change program

Back Pack program

Isaiah's Place

Lincoln Center

Thanks so much!!



Please keep the following member(s) of our church family in your prayers:  
 Rosemary Critchley, home  
 Shirley Hensel, home  
 Stanley Neves, Genesis Troy Care  
 Ivan Kunkleman, reoccurring cancer



Calling all coffee enthusiasts. First Place has been blessed with a custom built coffee cart for the contemporary service. Come try a cup of freshly ground coffee and enjoy some homemade goodies.



Break out your Christmas sweater on Sunday, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is no such thing as an ugly Christmas sweater. Let's get a group photo at the end of service, so hang around for a quick picture.



### **Postings from First Place Food Pantry**

**In this season of giving—There is still hunger in our community**

**November 27 was Giving Tuesday.** The Board, Staff and Volunteers of First Place Food Pantry would like to extend a very sincere Thank You to all who donated on this day of giving.

**First Place Food Pantry received in excess of \$13,000 — many responded to the Troy Foundation—Love Where you Live Match , The Columbus Foundation/Duke Foundation—Giving Two program, and Network for Good FB match. - this will allow us to provide food for a month for 856\* households in OUR community.**

*Merry Christmas Together we are making a real difference  
If you wish to donate— envelopes are available in the pew racks.*

*\* Approximately two months worth of expenses*

## **Caroling Thank You's**

Thank you for the caroling, poinsettia plant and for my church family. Maxine Bechtol

A special thank you to the group of carolers who gave of their time and talents to sing Christmas songs and deliver the beautiful poinsettia plant to my mother, Mrs. Campbell, at Koester Pavilion. It meant a lot to us for her to be remembered. In Christian love, Janie & Ron Fullerton

We want to thank the carolers, we enjoyed their efforts and also a thank you for the poinsettia plant that Judy & Dewaine Roush delivered. Happy Holidays from Joel & Nancy Walker.

I would like to thank the Pinkertons, Holmes, Schumanns, Michelle and Kendra Kovacs, Amy, Allyssa & Andrew Knapinski for caroling to our "Special Folks" last Sunday. We caroled to 35 very "Special Folks". It was quite a few people to cover by so few a carolers. We could see the joy on their faces as we sang and often they would sing along with us. This is such an important mission for this church to keep our "Special Folks" forefront in our thoughts and deeds. Please put next year's date on your calendar now, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019. It is a lot of fun with pizza afterward.

My love to all of you  
Donna Elleman

I want t thank you very much for the poinsettia and I really enjoyed the singing of the group that came.  
Sincerely Marry Ellen Keller



# Stewardship Report

## General Operating Fund - Tithes & Offerings

Week 49 of 52

12/9/2018	12/3/2017	Change	% Change
\$20,490.00	\$14,242.00	\$6,248.00	43.87%

1/1/2018-12/9/2018	1/1/2017-12/3/2017	Change	% Change
\$534,113.74	\$534,117.09	-\$3.35	0.00%

## Last Week's Offering

### General Operating Fund

Tithes & Offerings	\$20,490.00
Breakfast	214.00
Coffee	6.50
Loose Plate	202.00
Sunday School	16.75
Upper Room	2.00

### Other Project Funds

Bradley's House of Hope	\$1,050.00
Debt Reduction	427.00
First Kids Preschool	210.00
FISH	25.00
Food Pantry	25.00
Investing in the Future Campaign	3,795.00
Let's Go	3,989.00
Missions (Poinsettias)	78.00
Poinsettias	208.00
Project Chacocente	100.00
TheTraveling Team (Carrie Komjati)	33.00
Trustee's Capital	30.00
UMCOR	8.00
Youth	35.00

Money received for Other Project Funds are designated contributions and do not represent any financial support from the General Operating Fund.

Financial Statements are posted on the bulletin board in the Gathering Room.

