

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nancy Fry has brought a small portion of her “little drummer boy” collection for us to enjoy. These are displayed in the glass case in the Annex. Be sure to take a moment to view and enjoy. Thanks for sharing with us, Nancy!

The church office will be closed December 24-28.

Save the Date - Unhanging the Greens will take place on Friday, January 7 at 6 PM.

Worship Leader today: Betty Love
Organist today: Cindy Loveridge

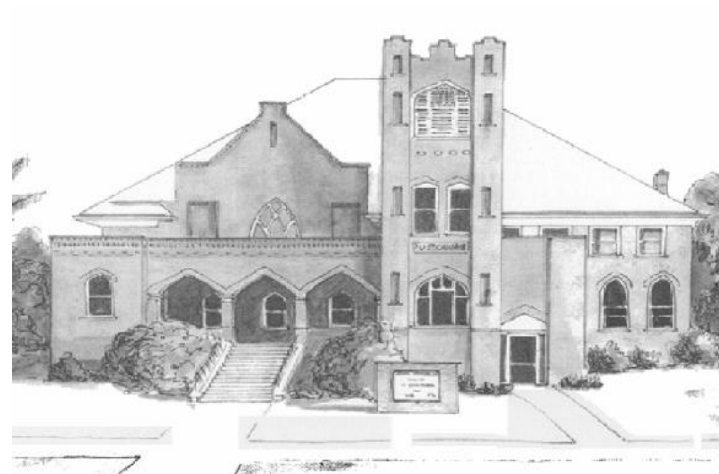
December Sunday Duties:

Close-Up: Mike Henegan
Counting the Offering: Janeen Mihoci

Deacon for December: All Deacons - If you know of anyone in the hospital or in need of assistance, please contact any of our Deacons.



12/28 Beth Arnett
01/07 William Love
01/08 John Yovanovich



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December 26, 2021

First Sunday of Christmastide

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Prelude Meditation on “Silent Night”

Welcome and Announcements

To prepare our hearts and minds for worship, let us observe a moment of silent prayer.

Call to Worship

One: Loving God, we come before You with joyful thanks, for you have done wonderful things!

All: **We are amazed by the gift of Your Son. He is light in the darkness and hope of the world.**

One: Emmanuel, God-with-us, the Alpha and Omega.

All: **We come before you with joyful praise, for you have done wonderful things!**

Call to Confession:

Trusting in God's love for us in Jesus Christ,
let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Silent and Personal Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession: **Holy God, as we think deeply about the birth of Jesus – your only-begotten Son and our only Savior -- our hearts are filled with awe at the kindness you have shown us. In his perfect truth and light, we recognize how easily we are deceived and drawn toward darkness. Forgive our sins and offenses, we pray, and guide and strengthen us by your Holy Spirit so that our lives might reflect your holiness and grace, through Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

One: God loves us so much that he accepts us just as we are;

All: And He also loves us so much that He will not leave us that way.

One: In Jesus Christ, your sins and mine are forgiven.

All: Everyone who is in Christ is a new creation; the old life is gone, the new life has begun! Thanks be to God!

*Response of Faith *"Gloria Patri"*✠

*Affirmation of Faith: **We believe in one God, eternally existing in three Persons. We believe in the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus the Christ, God's only-begotten Son, who died to pay for our sin, is risen from the dead, sits at the right hand of the Father and one day will return to reign forever. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who stirs within us the desire to know God, enables us to receive God's promises by faith, and guides us in holy living. We believe in the Gospel of forgiveness and new life, in the sustaining power of him who loves us, and in life everlasting. We believe that God has called each one of us to proclaim his boundless grace and to serve others in the name and the love of Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Prayers of the People, ending with the Lord's Prayer in unison

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 sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Dedication of our Tithes & Offerings

*Response of Praise *"Doxology"*

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

First Scripture Lesson: Psalm 1
Page 489/Large Print 843-844

Time with Young Disciples

Second Scripture Lesson: Luke 2: 41-52
Page 59/Large Print 1592-1593

Message: *"Twelve in the Temple"* Pastor Sue Nageotte

GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

*Hymn *"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"* #197

*Benediction

*Closing Refrain:
*O come, let us adore Him O come, let us adore Him
O come, let us adore Him: Christ the Lord!*

Postlude *"O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright"*

* *Those who are able please stand*