

CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

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MUSIC DIRECTOR: Justine Madonna
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ORGANIST: Loine Bert
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Today in the
town of David a
Savior has been
born to you;
he is Christ
the Lord.

Luke 2:11



December 24, 2022

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 *Merry Christmas* 

**DECEMBER 24, 2022 - 7:00 PM
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

Merry Christmas! The Word of God became flesh and lives among us. We, in turn, gather to worship him.

**" in the bulletin indicates that you should rise if you are able.*

GREETINGS

PRELUDE "Christmas Celebration" arr. D. Phillips

INTROIT - Bells "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"

STARLIGHT PRAISE DANCERS "Bethlehem"

SUNBEAMS "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"
(Children dismissed to Children's Church)

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

People: And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory.

Leader: Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the peoples;

People: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord.

*** HYMN** "The First Noel" (verses 1, 2, 4, 5).....No. 245

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRAYER (Unison): O God our Father, you have brought us again to the glad season when we celebrate the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that his Spirit may be born anew in our hearts this day and that we may joyfully welcome him to reign over us. Open our ears that we may hear again the angelic chorus of old. Open our lips that we too, may sing with uplifted hearts. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, goodwill to all people on whom His favor rests. We pray this prayer through Jesus Christ. Amen.

SOLO - Desireé Whitcraft

"Mary Did You Know"

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 9:2-7

SPECIAL MUSIC - Bells

"Do You Hear What I Hear?"

PRESENTATION OF OUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"The Coventry Carol/The First Noel" arr. M. Hayes

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-20

MESSAGE

"Living in Between"

(Children return to Sanctuary. Children will be given battery powered candles.)

CANDLE LIGHTING - As the usher comes up the aisle, the person at the end of the pew will light their candle and then pass the light to the next person. *The lighted candle is never tilted.* It is always held upright and the unlighted candle tilts into it to receive the light.

"Silent Night, Holy Night".....No. 239

*** CHRISTMAS CAROL** "Joy to the World".....No. 246

*** BENEDICTION**

*** POSTLUDE** "Come, All Ye Shepherds" arr. G. Young

*(When extinguishing the individually held candles – **KEEP THEM UPRIGHT UNTIL THE WAX HARDENS** – be careful of melted wax. There will be a box in the narthex to deposit your candles. Also, **BEFORE** the candles are lit, please keep handling of them to a minimum so dry wax does not fall on the floor/pews.)*

GLOSSBRENNER MISSION STATEMENT

GROW • PRAISE • SERVE

Grow in Our Christian Faith

Praise God through Worship

Serve Others to Glorify God



Worship Services – Please Join Us!

Christmas Day (tomorrow) worship begins at **10:30** a.m.

Epiphany Sunday with Communion is January 1, 2023 at **10:30** a.m.

No Sunday school on these Sundays.

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES

We have not received the 2023 Offering Envelopes yet. The company hoped to have them shipped so we receive them by the end of the year. If that does not happen, you can use one of the pew envelopes; write your number (or your name if you don't remember the number) and if it is for something other than your regular offering, please specify what it is for.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2023

The altar flower calendar for 2023 has been posted on the bulletin board in the Sunday school hallway. Check the calendar for available dates and fill out a "Reservations for Altar Flowers" form (info and prices are on this form) and place it in the "completed forms" envelope.

Please pick up your poinsettia plant(s) after the service.

POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

- In Memory of **Justin Binkley** by Aaron & Kathy Binkley. (2S)
- In Loving Memory of my parents **George & Ethel Spotts** by Bonnie Engle. (1L)
- In Memory of **Ruth & Albert Forry** by Cynthia Forry. (2L)
- In Honor of **Pastor Brian & Barbara Albert** by Brenda & Steve Gabler. (1L)
- In Memory of **Our Parents** by Doug & Hazel Hackley. (1S)
- In Memory of my husband **Dave Hart** by Nancy Hart. (1L)
- In Memory of **Had & June Buller** by Nancy & Rick Hopple. (2S)
- In Memory of **Ralph Kreiser** and **Peg Hartman** by Thelma Kreiser & Ed Hartman. (1L & 2S)
- In Honor of **Our Lord Jesus Christ** by Thelma Kreiser and Ed Hartman.
- In Honor of **Our Children** by Thelma Kreiser and Ed Hartman.
- In Memory of our parents **Martin & Carrie Ney** and **Max & Vera Raffensperger** by Gerald & Karleen Ney. (1L)
- In Memory of our son **Matthew** by Vaughn & Debbie Nissley. (4L & 1S)
- In Memory of our "sons" **Corey Halterman** and **Brad Spangler** by Vaughn & Debbie Nissley.
- In Honor of **Emi Nissley** by Vaughn & Debbie Nissley.
- In Honor of our grandchildren, **Zack** and **Bella**, by Vaughn & Debbie Nissley.
- In Memory of husband and father, **Harry Reheard**; and son and brother, **Robert Reheard**, by Mary & Linda Reheard. (1S)
- In Memory of my parents **John & Helen Wein** by Jackie Roberts. (1L & 3S)
- In Memory of my sister **Carol Spickler** by Jackie Roberts.
- In Memory of my niece **Lisa Fritz** by Jackie Roberts.
- In Honor of my grandsons **Zach** and **Ephraim** by Jackie Roberts.
- In Honor of my wife **Patty Jo** by Bruce Stone. (1L)
- In Memory of **Richard & Elsie Thompson** and **Robert & Gladys Buckius** by Dick & Barb Thompson. (2L)
- In Memory of **My Joe** by Judy Turbedsky. (1L)
- In Honor of **God** by Judy Turbedsky.
- In Memory of our loving father **Edward Sumpman** by Penny & David Whitcraft. (2S)
- In Honor of our caring mother/grandmother **Joy Sumpman** by Penny & David Whitcraft.