

Faith United Methodist Church

Loving God... Reaching and Serving our Neighbors in Christ



December 20th, 2020

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PRAYER LIST:

Donna Edelman, Jake Everhart, Anna Grover, Shirley Kear Valentine, Liz Barber, Eunice Dupey, Snyder Family, Delores Little, Bob & Cherie Nichols, Sean Hicks.

Covid: George & Bonnie Rhoad, Colleen McGee, Carole Alspach, David Culp, Pat Buttruff, Marvin Perkins. Those experiencing loss:

Families of George Dupey, Tim Hoffman, Ethel Schleter, and Rodney Cole.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: WORSHIP BY PHONE - CALL (339) 207-6119.

CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION SERVICE: CALL IN AT 7pm.

Music from past Christmas Eve services on website and fb page next week!

STAFF APPRECIATION: A Love Offering is being collected thru today, December 20th, to honor our Staff at Christmas! Mark envelope "Staff Love Offering." Thank you!

DECEMBER MISSION: Working with First Call for Help to assist families at Christmas. Due to your generosity, we donated **\$1,000 in gift cards!** Gifts for families are needed by tomorrow, Monday 12/21. For more info, contact Linda Cantley (419) 618-3727.

Order of Worship

Music provided by Nancy Ferguson and Jo Lynn Ferguson Rhodes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OPENING PRAYER

Lord God, we are about to celebrate the birth of Your son. We are struck by the manner in which You accomplished your purpose. You chose to lift up those whom the world regarded as poor, weak and powerless. You frustrated the efforts of those who considered themselves to be rich, strong and powerful. Your ways are beyond our understanding and often represent a reversal of the way we would do business. Guide us to a deeper level of commitment to Your kingdom. Break into the fortress of our hearts and dissolve our resistance to Your will. Free our minds from the desire to understand everything before we act. Open our eyes to see new ways to love You and to serve You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

ADVENT WREATH: Luke 1:26-38

Tim Everhart

Sung Response *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

(Refrain to O Come, O Come, Emmanuel)

JOYS & CONCERNS

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PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

RECEIVING TITHES AND OFFERING:

Prayer of Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE

Luke 1:46b-55

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SERMON

"Blessed and Highly Favored"

CLOSING HYMN

Hark, the Herald Angels Sing

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BLESSING

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