

# Faith United Methodist Church

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



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## PRAYER LIST:

Nancy Ferguson, Mary Jo Nay, Gary Fout, Rich Edelman, Liz Barber,  
Brenda Brickner, Anna & John Grover, Woody & Betty Snyder, Jim Shobe,  
Joyce Drake, Rev. Bennie Fitch, Susan Nugent  
those affected by the devastation of the recent tornadoes.

Gary Fout: The Grove, 5546 Karl Rd., Room 304, Columbus, OH 43229

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**FREE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER:** December 25th from 11am-1:30pm at Camden Falls in Tiffin. Please call 419-455-4569 for reservations.

**MISSIONS:** Thanks to your generosity, five families/ten children were blessed with gifts at Christmas! Reminder: Donations received through 12/26 to build women's dormitory at Africa University will also receive second matching gift from McFadden Family.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES:** Available at the South entrance and can be picked up on Sunday or during office hours (Tuesday to Friday, 10am to 3pm).

# Order of Worship

Music provided by LuAnn Tooley, Sue & Kris Klopfenstein, & Barbara Trapp

**WELCOME & PROCLAMATION:** John 1:1, 14a Rev. Marilyn Coney

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.  
And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us.*

**OPENING HYMN** *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE** Kris & Sue Klopfenstein

**SCRIPTURE:** *Isaiah 9:2-7*

**PRAYER:** O Holy God, thank You that the time of waiting and preparing is over, and that the Light of Christ shines so very clearly tonight. May our joy be full and our hearts rejoice for the world shall never be the same again. Truth and justice and righteousness have come to free all from the bondage of sin. Thank You, God, for this holy night of nights! Amen.

**SONG** *How I Wish* Christmas Ensemble

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER** Rev. Coney

**THE GOSPEL** *Luke 2:1-20* Rev. Coney

**MESSAGE** *The Light Still Shines*

## **CANDLE LIGHTING**

At this time, you may turn on your flashlight to represent the Light of Jesus.

**HYMN** *Silent Night, Holy Night* UMH 239

**CHRISTMAS CHARGE** Rev. Coney

*Jesus said, "You are the light of the world." May the light of Christ shine.  
in our daily lives, transcending disappointments, overcoming fears, transforming  
relationships, and seeping into every corner of our souls. Amen..*

**CLOSING HYMN** *Joy to the World* UMH 246