

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME Michelle Theisen, Greeting Elder
Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: Despite our good intentions and despite our positive attitudes,
you and I still endure times of darkness and uncertainty.

Many: We come looking for light.

One: In spite of our strength and in spite of our faith,
we still puzzle over predicaments.

Many: We come longing for sight.

All: Come, Christ, we wait for your love
in this Season of Advent.

* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Marion, Nico, and Rosie Larson; Kelcy Larson-Reichhart

* **SACRED MUSIC** #88 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” NPH

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, so often as we enter the season of Advent we turn our attention toward all that must be done for the coming holidays and we fail to seek your renewing presence in our lives. Forgive us, God. Come to us anew, restoring the joy in our hearts so that our lives might again be a witness to your healing power and comforting presence. In Christ we pray. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles’ Creed**
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **GLORIA EXCELSIS** (Unison, Refrain of “Angels We Have Heard On High”)

* **THE PEACE** (Response: “And also with you.”)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Pg. 204 NT

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

Children Leave For Church School Afterwards.

SERMON “How Can We Thank God Enough?”
Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

* **SACRED MUSIC** #107 “Awake, Awake, and Greet the New Morn” NPH

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs
as you exit the sanctuary following the worship.)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD’S PRAYER

(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

* **DOXOLOGY** (To the tune of “O Come, O Come”; see Insert.)

* **SACRED MUSIC** #116 “The Snow Lay On the Ground” NPH)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

(All are invited to share in the Sacrament of Communion.)

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

Serving & Partaking of the Elements Together

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Communion bread being served today
is white honey and is gluten, dairy, soy and nut free.*

* **SACRED MUSIC** #133 “O Come, All Ye Faithful” NPH

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

* **Congregation standing; as each person desires.**

Masks are welcome but not required, distance as you are comfortable.

PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Dave Patterson and family on the death of Ann, Carolyn O'Connor, Dave Pierce (father of Kristine Potter), Pam Constantine (sister of Barry Walch), Bill and Karen Parker, Mary Theisen, Rich Grayson, Alice Poole, Shirley Norton, Lew Shepard, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Nick Scelzi, Vern and Arvilla Aldous, Rich Denison, Scott McLain (father of Vicki), Nancy and Mark Brown, the Basford/Rodee Family, Josh Holbrook, Colleen Grant, Else Brown, Bill Parker's sister Rose Ann Manfredi, Janet Favro, Jody Upton and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; those serving our nation and their families who support them; parents raising children and children caring for parents.

Director of Music/Pianist Dr. Meagan Kissinger
Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery
Office Coordinator: Christy Dekay

The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a
Password for the Zoom fellowship call at 11:30 a.m. is 3862570

Virtual fellowship via Zoom will take place at 11:30 a.m.

AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

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| Today | - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
- Deacon and Food Offering
- Farm Family Offering
- Communion
- No Church School
- Deacon's Meeting (11:15 a.m. CR) |
| Wednesday 12/4/24 | - Partridge Knoll Service (11 a.m.) |
| Saturday 12/7/24 | - Potluck Lunch Setup (12:30 p.m. FH) |
| Sunday 12/8/24 | - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
- Church School Christmas Showcase
- Men Sing White Christmas
- Potluck Lunch (11 a.m. FH) |

Birthdays: Michelle Quinelle-Gayle (Today);
Lindsey Frazer (Monday); Jessica (Brown) Stumper,
Giselle Kelly (Tuesday)

Anniversaries: Rev. Mike's Ordination (Thursday) 32 years!

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick & the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.
Praise Him (God) all creatures here below.
Praise Him (God) above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father (Creator), Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Advent Doxology

To the tune of "O Come, O Come Emanuel"

Praise God from who all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye Heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Praise God!
From whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all Creatures here below! Amen.

*In Memory and Honor of
Family, Friends & Loved Ones*



If you would like to purchase a plant
through the church (**cost \$20**),
please fill out the **order form** below.

Please return order form and payment to the
Church Office by **December 10th at Noon**.
(The deadline to place our order
with White's Flowers.)

Feel free to provide your own plant;
however, we will still need the information
regarding your memorial for the bulletin insert
by **December 9th** as well.

(Please pick up your Poinsettia
following the Christmas Eve service,
or earlier, so you may enjoy it at home.)

Name: _____

Red # _____ White # _____

In Memory of: _____

Cash: _____ Check #: _____



RETURN BY DECEMBER 10th, 2023